Juilding:

Former Shop and Residence

Address:

295 Victoria Street



Allotment Reference:

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National Estate

Register:

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Historic Buildings Council Register:

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National Trust

Register:

Location within

Precinct:

Collingwood Flat (Abbotsford)

Photo Date:

November 1989

Grantee:

C. Nicholson

Original Owner:

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Present Owner

William Shelley

Original Use:

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Present Use:

Doctor's Surgery

Construction Date:

1865

Architect:

Builder:

Description: A plainly detailed two storey cement rendered

brick shop with residence over. The corner panel at first floor level has an unusual Middle Eastern (ogee) arch treatment. A two storey brick rear section appears unaltered.

Condition:

Good

Integrity:

Fair. Ground floor openings have been altered and the facade has been tiled at ground floor level. A verandah may have

been removed.

History:

In 1864 William Shelley owned land in Victoria Street on the north-west corner of Charles Street, on which he built a brick shop in 1865. The property was leased to Thomas Hackett, a chemist. In 1872 Thomas Blackburn leased the shop and in 1876 Joseph Gabriel also a chemist was occupant. Shelly continued as owner in 1881. However by 1887 the property had passed to Thomas Shelley. Gabriel remained as tenant in 1887. In 1888, Thomas Bolger, a tailor leased the shop, continuing as tenant in 1891. By 1900 Thomas Shelley remained as owner leasing the property to Joachim Tester, a wine merchant.

Significance:

No. 295 Victoria Street is the oldest surving Collingwood building in Victoria Street, comparing with the substantially altered former "Brickmakers Arms" hotel of 1866-67 and the "Alma" Woolscouring Works buildings. It is of regional significance in this respect.

Recommendations:

Recommended for planning scheme protection.

References:

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