

Building: Former "East Collingwood Hotel"  
Address: 385 Victoria Street



Allotment Reference: 58  
National Estate Register: -  
Historic Buildings Council Register: -  
National Trust Register: -  
Location within Precinct: Collingwood Flat (Abbotsford)  
Photo Date: November 1989  
Grantee: W. Bradley  
Original Owner: John Falvey  
Present Owner: -  
Original Use: Hotel  
Present Use: El Rincon Restaurant  
Construction Date: 1873  
Architect:  
Builder:

Description:

A two storey cement rendered brick building with unusual rusticated treatment. The ground floor openings are arched and the first floor windows are flat-topped with bracketted cornices over. The plainly detailed parapet was formerly surmounted by urns.

Condition:

Good

Integrity:

Good

History:

In 1872, John Falvey owned enclosed land on the north-west corner of Victoria and Lithgow Streets, on which he built a "house" in 1873. John Davis, a publican, was tenant. In 1874 the property was listed as the "East Collingwood Hotel". Falvey continued as owner until 1877 when Maria Falvey took over ownership. Falvey did not operate the hotel herself, but leased it to a series of tenants. She continued as owner in 1891. By 1900, J. Pearce had purchased the property with Mary Donoho the licensed victualler.  
(RB 1872, 1873, 1874, 1877, 1891, 1901)  
In 1912 the name was changed to the "Crown" and it was delicensed in 1923.

Significance:

A prominent and early public building with unusual facade enrichment and of historic interest as a former hotel.

Recommendations:

Recommended for planning scheme protection.

References:

Rate Books  
Collingwood Historical Society: Hotels of Collingwood, 1989, p.8.

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