

Building:

Former Crusader Plate building

Address:

651-653 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:

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Location within Precinct:

Photo Date

August, 1988

Grantee:

W. Richardson, 13-2-1839

Original Owner:

Crusader Plate Co. Pty. Ltd.

Present Owner:

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Original Use: Factory

Present Use: Vacant

Construction Date: 1937

Architect:

Builder:

Description: A three storeyed office and factory complex designed in sympathy with the adjoining Handley's building and having graded brickwork (dark brown-red-warm cream-light cream), stuccoed trim and vertical stuccoed panel over the doorway with "Crusader Plate" in low relief. The Skipping Girl sign (q.v.) is fixed to this building.

Condition: Good

Integrity: Good. Demolished at rear.

History: In 1927 60' x 242' land was sold by the Trustees Tivoli Club to Crusader Plate. At the same time, the brick house was demolished and a brick factory owned and operated by Handley's was built. The wood house was also demolished.

In 1939 Handley's was in the name of John Handley. Edgar Handley operated Crusader Plate which built a brick factory on the vacant 60' x 242' land in 1939, (1938, 1940 RB).

Significance: The former Crusader Plate building is of local importance as an extension of the original Handley's building at 655 Victoria Street (q.v.).

Recommendations: Recommended for planning scheme protection.

References: Rate Books

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