

Collingwood Technical School complex, later Collingwood TAFE, 35-63 Johnston Street, Collingwood

Heritage overlay: HO324

City of Yarra Property Number: 120710

What is significant?

The Collingwood Technical School complex, later Collingwood TAFE at 35-63 Johnston Street, Collingwood, was created in stages in 1913, 1923, 1938, 1948-9, 1950s for the Education Department (Victorian State Government) and has historical associations with the numerous pupils, parents of pupils and teachers who attended or visited the school. The place has a good integrity to its creation date.

Fabric from the creation date at the Collingwood Technical School complex, later Collingwood TAFE is locally significant within the City of Yarra, compared to other similar places from a similar era.

How is it significant?

The Collingwood Technical School complex, later Collingwood TAFE at 35-63 Johnston Street, Collingwood is socially, historically and architecturally significant to the locality of Collingwood and the City of Yarra.

Why is it significant?

The Collingwood Technical School complex, later Collingwood TAFE is significant:

- As a major educational complex in the Collingwood area and Melbourne, with many long associations for the community;
- For the highly significant Dudok-Modern architectural styling of its components, particularly the Johnston St arched façade (Percy Everett's Public Works Department design), the Wellington St block and engineering workshop of 1938,
- For the original well-preserved Collingwood Technical School of 1913 sited in Perry Street;
- For the inter-war and immediate post Second War wings that served as war-related training venues, also
- The Keith Haring mural in the courtyard.

References:

Municipal rate books:

VPRS 377/P/000

City of Collingwood / DarlingWard

Rate year/Rate no./Occupier/Owner/Description /NAV

1944/45; No number; ; Technical School

1940-41; Education department Technical School

1939-40; Education department Technical School

1938-39; Education department Technical School

1937-38; Education department Technical School

1936-37; Education department Technical School

1935-36; Education department - Technical School

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Melbourne or Victorian directories:

South Side

1944-45; 35-61 Collingwood Tech School

1940; 35-61 Collingwood Tech School

1935; 35-61 Collingwood Tech School

1930; 35-57 Collingwood Tech School

1925; 35-57 Collingwood Tech School

Other references:

Foundation Stone: Stone laid by The Hon Sir A.J. Peacock KGMG MLA, Minister of Public Instruction 4 Sept 1923 (see also Collingwood Technical School of 1913 at rear in Perry St)
Allom Lovell 1998;

Blake, V3: 247 1938 extension into Perry St

Hibbins, 1977: 38 opened 1912 in former Collingwood municipal offices next to court house; new building 1913;

Graeme Butler and Associates 2006. Collingwood technical School heritage assessment
MMBW Detail Plan shows former boot factory,