

CAMBERWELL JUNCTION STRUCTURE PLAN

HERITAGE STUDY

BUILDING IDENTIFICATION FORM

Address 222-226 Camberwell Road, Hawthorn
481-491 Riversdale Road, Hawthorn

Title Simpsons Buildings

Type Parapet Corner-Feature Commercial
Double storey

Use shops, offices
shops

Original
Present

Ownership
Rpadda P/L

Original
Present

Existing Heritage Status

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HBR

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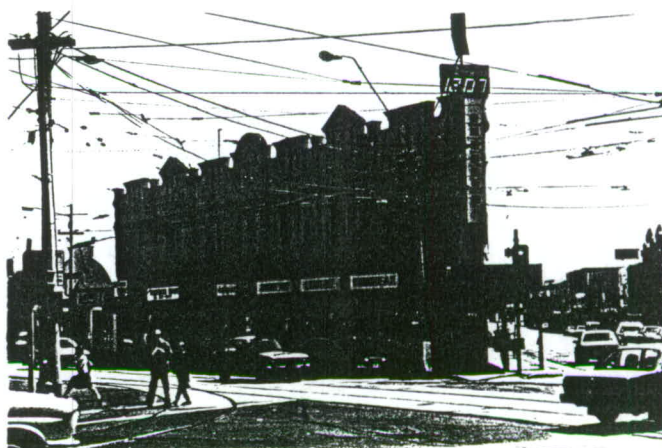
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7/10/90

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Map Ref.



Construction

Date c.1920-21
Source Building Reg.

Period to 1890

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Additions

Date
Source

1890-1915

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1915-1940

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1940-on

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Architect not known

Builder not known

Form

Attached ☒

Detached ☐

Materials

Walls brick ☒ stone ☐ render ☐ timber ☐

Roof tiles ☐ gal. iron ☒ slate ☐

Features

Angular 2-storey commercial building with decorative, Art nouveau, repetitive parapet and window treatment. Moulding and design detail emphasise verticality. Prominent triangular corner site.

Integrity

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excellent

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good

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fair

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poor

Historical Theme

Post-war boom conditions encouraged population growth and further subdivision. Reinforcement of Junction's civic, commercial and institutional role. Tramway system along Burke, Camberwell and Riversdale Roads. Estates north of railway line, on Camberwell side of Burke Road, subdivided and developed. To the south the streetscape underwent major changes. Street trees and gas lamps removed.

Description

A prominent, two-storeyed, brick row of shops with a decorative rendered parapet, in a key corner location. Ornate parapet ornament with raised entablatures, arched pediments alternating along the cornice moulding. Each angular facade modelled with seven distinct, decorative bays divided with pilaster forms. Lower level shop fronts have been altered. A recent cantilever awning is in place. An uncommon suburban commercial style.

Significance

A prominent, unusually designed commercial corner building with distinctive facade decoration. Built as part of the important 1920-1925 phase of Junction development. Important streetscape element.

Of Regional and Metropolitan Significance

Recommendations City of Hawthorn Planning Scheme
Register of the National Estate

Refer Guidelines section of this report

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Streetscape	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	

References Hawthorn Building Register 1920-21

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