

<u>Original Owner</u>	Foy & Gibson Pty. Ltd.
<u>Present Owner</u>	
<u>Original Use</u>	Hosiery Factory
<u>Present Use</u>	Cresknit Aywon Consolidated Pty. Ltd.
<u>Construction Date:</u>	1899
<u>Architect</u>	probably William Pitt
<u>Builder</u>	
<u>Description</u>	<p>To the north of the 5 storey factory block, a detached (with continuous access) six bay 2 storeyed factory adjoins. It is symmetrical to Oxford Street with segmentally arched vehicular accessways having raised parapetted sections above. The external windows are timber, window lintels concrete, the building conforming generally to standard Foy and Gibson details. The roof consists of two lanterns (not sighted). Inside, (ground floor level) timber posts with shear heads carry steel beams and support a timber floor.</p>
<u>Condition</u>	Good, stuccoed cornice line, poor.
<u>Integrity</u>	Good
<u>History</u>	<p>This site was occupied by cottages facing Oxford and Little Oxford Streets in 1899 (MMBW litho), but had been built on in that year (RB 1899, 1900).</p>
<u>Significance</u>	<p>The former F & G hosiery factory at 109 Oxford Street forms an integral part of the Oxford Streetscape and is important also for its probable link with William Pitt, architect and City of Collingwood councillor. It is a supportive rather than a key element in the west side complex. This building has not been recently renovated.</p>
<u>Recommendations</u>	<p>Recommended for inclusion on the National Estate and HBC registers and for planning scheme protection.</p>
<u>References</u>	<p>National Trust file S & M directories Rate Books</p>
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