

CITY OF GEELONG WEST

URBAN CONSERVATION STUDY: BUILDING IDENTIFICATION FORM.

BUILDING ADDRESS

111 Pakington Street

Type

Commercial

Original Use

residential

PRESENT BUILDING TITLE

Pakington Village formerly Miller Homes

EXISTING DESIGNATION

HBR

GBR

NER

GRPS

NATIONAL TRUST

Classified

Recorded

Reg.No.

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744

CONSERVATION AREA

Name

Pakington Street Commercial

Survey Date

7.3.86

Neg. File

003.008

003.009

PERIOD

pre 1860

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1860 - 1879

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1880 - 1899

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1900 - 1919

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1920 - 1939

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post 1940

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MATERIALS

walls

brick

roof

corrugated iron

CONSTRUCTION DATE

1909-10

source

R. J. Aitken

SIGNIFICANT FEATURES

original materials

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early paint colour scheme or original unpainted finish

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ornamental wall detailing

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original doors, windows, hoods

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intact verandah / porch structure

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original parapet

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original roof form and finish

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original chimneys

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eaves, roof or gable decoration

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intact verandah decoration

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early fence

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early garden

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other prominent contributing elevations

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INTEGRITY RATING

excellent

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good

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fair

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poor

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HISTORY

The architect William Cleverdon designed this housing complex in 1909-10. The noted Geelong philanthropist Alexander Miller requested in his will that a series of homes for the elderly, be constructed in several towns in Victoria in which he had had business interests. Planning for these homes was basic with each unit having two rooms 11 by 11 feet and a detached communal bathroom. A photograph of the new homes appeared in the News of the Week in 1910. These homes have been extended and converted into a shopping complex. However there is another complex of Miller Homes in Malvern Grove, Geelong West and these are still used for their intended purpose.

DESCRIPTION

The single storey building has a series of hipped roofs with gables at each end of the front facade. In the centre is an octagonal tower with a steeply pitched roof and on either side of this are bull-nosed verandahs. Tall chimneys project from the rear of the building. Decorative elements include the red brickwork with contrasting window joinery, typanums, stringcourses and corbels, although recently this effect has been obscured by all the elements being painted a dark brown. The cast iron verandah decoration is geometric in design and is more common on buildings built prior to 1900.

SIGNIFICANCE

Pakington Village is the former Miller Homes, designed in 1909-10 by the architect William Cleverdon for the Trustees of Alexander Miller. The homes have been extended and converted into a shopping complex. It is of local significance.

POLICY/RECOMMENDATIONS

G.R.P.S.

Careful removal of paint from the brickwork and rough cast would greatly enhance the character of the building.

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