

CITY OF GEELONG WEST

URBAN CONSERVATION STUDY: BUILDING IDENTIFICATION FORM.

BUILDING ADDRESS	174 Aberdeen Street	Type	shop	Original Use	residence ?
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PRESENT BUILDING TITLE	N.A.
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EXISTING DESIGNATION	HBR	GBR	NER	GRPS	NATIONAL TRUST	
					Classified	Recorded
Reg.No.	-	-	-	608	-	-

CONSERVATION AREA No.	Name
	Ashby

Survey Date	23.6.86.
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Neg. File	046.021
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PERIOD pre 1860 <input type="checkbox"/> 1860 - 1879 <input type="checkbox"/> 1880 - 1899 <input type="checkbox"/> 1900 - 1919 (alterations) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1920 - 1939 <input type="checkbox"/> post 1940 <input type="checkbox"/>	
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MATERIALS	walls	shucco	roof	corrugated iron
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CONSTRUCTION DATE	not known	source	-
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SIGNIFICANT FEATURES			
original materials	<input type="checkbox"/>	early paint colour scheme or original unpainted finish	<input type="checkbox"/>
original doors, windows, hoods	<input type="checkbox"/>	intact verandah / porch structure	<input type="checkbox"/>
original roof form and finish	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	original chimneys	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
intact verandah decoration	<input type="checkbox"/>	early fence	<input type="checkbox"/>
other prominent contributing elevations	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
		ornamental wall detailing	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		original parapet	<input type="checkbox"/>
		eaves, roof or gable decoration	<input type="checkbox"/>
		early garden	<input type="checkbox"/>

INTEGRITY RATING	excellent	<input type="checkbox"/>	good	<input type="checkbox"/>	fair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	poor	<input type="checkbox"/>
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HISTORY

It is not known when this building was constructed or whether it was initially a residence or commercial premises or both.

Miss Nellie Coates was a grocer at this location in 1912. By 1920 Harold D. Palmer was living in this building. It is known that John Palmer was a contractor and plasterer who lived in Aberdeen Street near to George Street in 1897-8, and was living at 178 Aberdeen Street in 1920. It is suggested that Harold Palmer commissioned his relative John Palmer to carry out the detailed stucco work on the exterior of this building. Eight years later Harold Palmer was living at 170 Aberdeen Street, which is a building with very elaborate stucco similar to that seen on 174 Aberdeen Street. In 1928 William Whitehead was a grocer and confectioner at this shop.

DESCRIPTION

This building is set close to the street frontage and has a hipped roof clad in corrugated iron. It has no eaves and is faced with decorative plaster work except where a later facade of tiles, large windows and a cantilevered verandah has been constructed.

SIGNIFICANCE

The building is significant for the unusual decorative stucco on an early building form. It is of local significance.

POLICY/RECOMMENDATIONS

G.R.P.S.

A more sympathetic wall treatment where the tiles are now, and controlled advertising signs would greatly enhance the character of this building.

REFERENCES

Wise's Victoria Post Office Directory, 1897-8.
Sands and McDougall Directories, 1912, 1920, 1928.