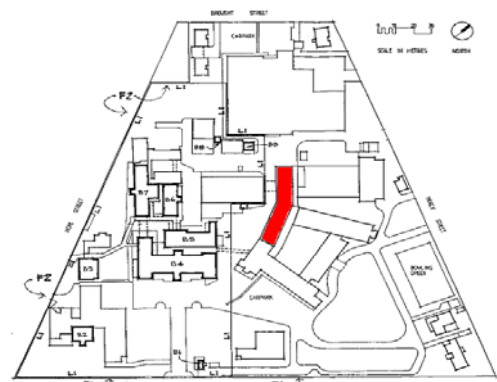




Kiosk in the centre of Perrin Plaza

Location: mid site
Built: 1958
Date range: 1958 and reconfigured again in the 1990s and 2000s
Designer: Originally part of the YFGS work
Builder:



History:

This was originally the kitchen area to service the new east wing building. Once this was up and running YFGS Architects were required to complete some schemes for the western portion of the building and during 1958 produced two schemes involving a combination of kitchen store areas, a dry store area, a kiosk with seating areas, staff toilets and staff locker rooms as well as a morgue and waiting and viewing room. Eventually one of those schemes was accepted.

The kitchen area was superseded by the current kitchen but the staff areas were superseded somewhat earlier by the new staff building of 1976.

The current refitting reflects changing uses which have broken down the formality of the spaces and included larger glazed areas for natural lighting.

A new chapel was constructed on the western end although the architect is not known it is speculated to have been Balcombe Griffiths.

Description:

A development shaped out of the footprint of building was had initially been allocated to join together three proposed new tower blocks (east, north and south). That original building contained a kitchen area and staff facilities. There had been a connecting building in this area but it was transformed in 1992 to provide some ancillary services for those who populated the site: lounge areas, a hairdresser, a children's' play area, a food kiosk and seating area, toilets, offices, a multi function room and a chapel to the west.

The structure is a one-storey brick faced building with a shallow slope metal roof with no apparent formal architectural arrangement.

Inspection of the building identifies several phases of brick construction related to a number of changes this area has undergone.

Cultural Heritage Significance

Primary Historic Theme: Development of Bendigo Asylum

No significance

Historic SubTheme: Post War Development

No Significance: the structure appears to use some available space between buildings but its overall shape and architecture are somewhat amorphous.