

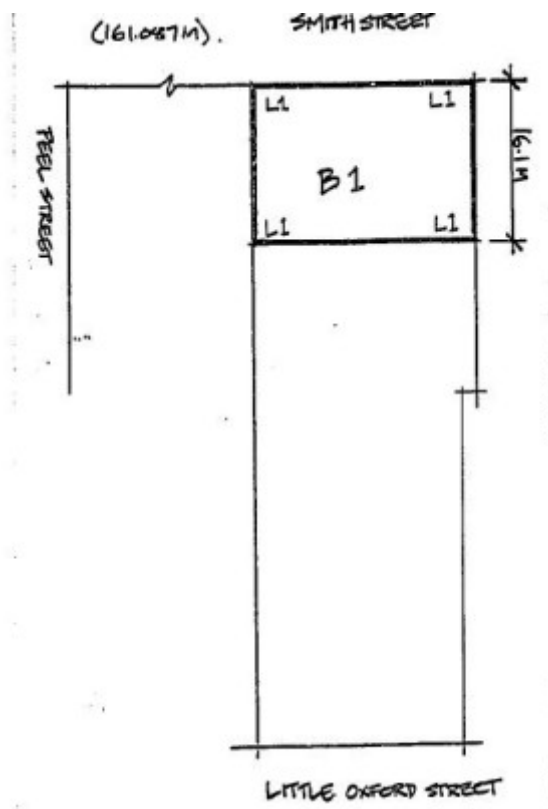
FORMER COLLINGWOOD POST OFFICE



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Location

174-180 SMITH STREET COLLINGWOOD, YARRA CITY

Municipality

YARRA CITY

Level of significance

Registered

Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H0973

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO136

VHR Registration

July 8, 1993

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Register

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - July 21, 1999

The former Collingwood Post Office was established at 174-180 Smith Street in 1868 having been relocated from its previous location on the north side of Peel Street. The 2.5 metre deep facade designed by John Marsden of the Public Works Department, was added to the building in 1892.

The former Post Office facade, which comprises a deep recessed loggia with central Mansardesque tower, is a well designed example of the Victorian mannerist style. The facade arranges conventional tectonic elements in an unusual and playful manner.

The addition of 1892 is also an early example of Accadism; the balance of the building, to the rear of the facade is of relatively less significance.

The elaborate design of the Collingwood post office demonstrates the efforts and eventual success of the Smith Street traders in their battle to establish their pre-eminence over those of Wellington Street.

Permit Exemptions

General Exemptions:

General exemptions apply to all places and objects included in the Victorian Heritage Register (VHR). General exemptions have been designed to allow everyday activities, maintenance and changes to your property, which don't harm its cultural heritage significance, to proceed without the need to obtain approvals under the Heritage Act 2017.

Places of worship: In some circumstances, you can alter a place of worship to accommodate religious practices without a permit, but you must [notify](#) the Executive Director of Heritage Victoria before you start the works or activities at least 20 business days before the works or activities are to commence.

Subdivision/consolidation: Permit exemptions exist for some subdivisions and consolidations. If the subdivision or consolidation is in accordance with a planning permit granted under Part 4 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* and the application for the planning permit was referred to the Executive Director of Heritage Victoria as a determining referral authority, a permit is not required.

Specific exemptions may also apply to your registered place or object. If applicable, these are listed below. Specific exemptions are tailored to the conservation and management needs of an individual registered place or object and set out works and activities that are exempt from the requirements of a permit. Specific exemptions prevail if they conflict with general exemptions.

Find out more about heritage permit exemptions [here](#).

Construction dates	1891,
Architect/Designer	Marsden, John Hudson,
Heritage Act Categories	Registered place,
Hermes Number	3793
Property Number	

Extent of Registration

AMENDMENT OF REGISTER OF HISTORIC BUILDINGS

Historic Building No. 973.

Former Post Office, 174-180 Smith Street, Collingwood.

(To the extent of:

1. The whole of the building known as the former Collingwood Post Office (B1), shown on Plan No. 605436G (A) signed by the Chairperson, Historic Buildings Council and held by the Director, Historic Buildings Council.
2. The land marked L1 on Plan No. 605436G (A) signed by the Chairperson, Historic Buildings Council and held by the Director, Historic Buildings Council, being all of the land representing the footprint of the building, namely the land east of the Smith Street boundary to a depth of 16.1 metres and part of the land described in Crown Grant Volume 6316 Folio 143.)

[*Victoria Government Gazette* No. G26 8 July 1993 pp.1837-1838]

This place/object may be included in the Victorian Heritage Register pursuant to the Heritage Act 2017. Check the Victorian Heritage Database, selecting 'Heritage Victoria' as the place source.

For further details about Heritage Overlay places, contact the relevant local council or go to Planning Schemes Online <http://planningschemes.dpcd.vic.gov.au/>