
COPPIN MASONIC LODGE

Location

191 WESTON STREET,, BRUNSWICK EAST VIC 3057 - Property No 1699

Municipality

MERRI-BEK CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO233

Heritage Listing

Merri-bek City

Statement of Significance

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Coppin Masonic Lodge is of local architectural significance and local historical interest. Historically, the building's apparent re-use of parts of the 1870s United Free Methodist Church adds to its interest. Architecturally, the building is an elegant 1920s composition of classical elements which makes a positive contribution to a varied streetscape. The building is associated with prolific architect Charels R Heath.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Moreland - Keeping Brunswick's heritage: A Report on the Review of the Brunswick Conservation Study, Context Pty Ltd, 1990; Moreland - City of Moreland Heritage Review, Allen Lovell and Associates, 1999;
Architect/Designer	Heath, Charles Robert,
Hermes Number	59136
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Physical Description 1

The Coppin Masonic Lodge is a two storey symmetrical clinker brick building with a white-painted rendered dressings, entrance and parapet. The entrance is a restrained composition of four ionic pilasters with a simple moulded entablature with the building's name flanked by the Freemason's set square and compasses device, and topped with four acroteria. The westernmost door is flanked by orb-topped columns on pedestals. The entrance is flanked by two arched windows with fixed multiple panes. At first floor level are four rectangular windows with a large diamond-shaped central pane, set between a rendered string courses beneath the corniced parapet. All windows are steel-framed. Between these windows are three rectangular panels with inlaid tapestry brickwork. The rear of this building is, apparently, an older section in bluestone.

The building sits between the moderne rear elevation of the Tip Top bakery (170 Edward Street), and a small bluestone cottage (No. 193; see datasheets).

Key Architectural Elements: clinker brick and render Classical Revival facade
distinctive first floor windows and tapestry brickwork panels
prominent street presence

Conservation Guidelines: remove cyclone wire gates and panels on front facade

Comparative Examples: Brunswick Tram Depot, Sydney Road, Brunswick

Principal Historic Themes: association with local community groups

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