

5.1 Queen Street, east side



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- Simple, two-storey, Neo-Georgian red-brick building with varied fenestration (c.1960).
- Description – Recent red-brick building is set behind low brick wall on concrete foundation, with small garden behind. Ground floor entrance at LH side has wooden, six-panel door between six-pane sidelights, with full-width, four-pane transom window above. To right are two wide, slightly projecting bay windows with 2/2 units in each face, each with larger central unit. Panels below are of plywood with planted mouldings. Continuous band of stacked rowlock headers, soldier course and additional row of headers, marks top of ground floor. At second floor, nine-pane, octagonal window over front door is reminiscent of early twentieth-century neo-Georgian houses. Three windows to right are almost-mediaeval in type: 15/15 units (with narrow false dividers) with thin, rock-faced limestone sills (over rowlock headers) and steel-angle headers supporting soldier-brick voussoirs. Plain brickwork continues up to deep, pre-finished aluminum flashing at wall-head.
- Side Elevation – At south wall, narrow lane leads to rear of building. Elevation has five, 1/1 windows with plywood panels beneath extending to grade. Decorative brick band continues from front elevation, and windows have metal angle lintels. Full-height, protective metal shutters are an interesting modern variation of a traditional, European shopfront features. At second floor are five more 15/15 units, with muntins, sills and lintels etc. as described.
- Rear Elevation - Towards Ganaraska River building elements are again similar, but with slab-type metal doors at LH side and two 1/1 units to right. At second floor, over ground-floor windows, are two more 15/15 units, as elsewhere. Remainder of wall is plain, though encumbered by cluster of electrical wires and large PVC pipe at LH side. As elsewhere in this block, scupper and round copper pipe are suitable to rear elevation, as is absence of large signage, and discreet signs at parking spaces. At extreme RH side, recessed wall has additional metal door, and octagonal window above, as at front.
- Comments – This is an unusual building, atypical of the Heritage District, but with sufficient variety and reinterpretation of tradition themes to make it congruent. Aside from electrical cluster, rear elevation is refined and provides a good example for neighbour to north.