5.2 Queen Street, west side



6 and 8 Queen Street (see also description in Stokes Walton Street District Plan)

- Two-storey, rendered-brick, commercial building with coach passage at south side (c. 1890). Building is contiguous with Horner Building to north, and so **Designated** under OHA Part IV.
- Front Elevation Traditional, main-street brick building, now covered with painted, incised render, has ground-floor commercial at north side, with recessed entry to shop and secondfloor apartments at far RH side. Coach passage, at south side, is framed with narrow angleiron at RH side and deep steel plate above. Walls within passage have painted brick at left and plaster-on-lath at right. Shopfront has aluminum-clad sill over boarded-up stall-riser, with cladding perhaps hiding older materials. Above large picture window, in wooden frame, are old transom windows with interwoven, segmental kames with various types of glass within three separate sashes, and additional unit at recess to entry. Shopfront corner-post, has bevelled edges and elegant lamb's tongue stop-chamfer. Floor are recess to entry is terrazzo, with central yellow area. Door to shop (no. 8) is 34 glazed, period-type door with bevellededge window, while adjacent door (no. 6) is old, wide 1/3 glazed door with three horizontal panels, and with two-pane transom window above. Post between doors is as corner poast. Shopfront has no fascia and instead has unusual large wooden sign with simple letters and fretwork at upper corners. Second floor is rendered as ground floor, and contains three new 1/1 windows (replacing 2/2 originals). Sills are flashed in aluminum, and render incisions above are haphazard relative to potential lintel locations. Wall-head has single, projecting element with deep metal flashing above.
- <u>Lane Elevation</u> Side wall beyond passage is early pre-cast concrete blocks, imitating stone.
- Comments Small building has a various interesting elements, especially at shopfront level. Rendered wall surface is out of place and though similar to building to north, removal is encouraged. Absence of beam or fascia over shop window is odd and there may be old materials hidden here, as also at stall-riser. Recent loss of original 2/2 windows is unfortunate and 2/2 form should be replicated, in wooden units.