Former Vedonis factory & offices

Local Heritage Asset Register

Basford

HA516



Status:	Recommendation to add
Age:	Early to Mid-20th Century
Conservation Area:	No
Date added to the list:	
Condition:	Bad

Assessment against Local Criteria

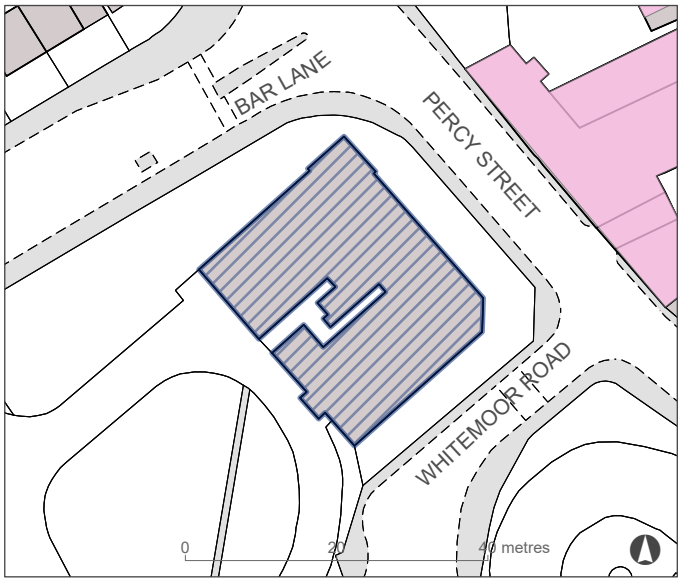
1. Age: 1914-1960
2. High quality design and craftsmanship, unusual for this building type
3. A local industry created by a Local Businessman that contributed to the local economy

Reason for Designation

A local factory, owned by a local man who was a good employer in the area. The Vedonis offices are architecturally distinguished from the factory through the stone window dressings, the entrance and the mosaic Vedonis sign. Being on the boundary of the site, the offices are designed so that passers-by as well as visitors/clients see the status of the building.

Local List Proposal

Grade II Listed Building



Description

Dating from between the wars, the former Vedonis knitwear works - famous for ladies' underwear - is on Percy Street, between Bar Lane and Whitemoor Road. The name is in mosaic. 1928 George Spencer, who lived in Basford as a boy, opened a factory making hosiery. Name combines Venus and Adonis.

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Additional Description:

George Spencer, who lived in Basford as a child, opened the Vedonis factory in the 1920s. An archive record states the site was opened in 1928 and shared with W. E. Saxby. The Vedonis factory – a name produced by the combining of Venus and Adonis - produced renowned underwear as part of the George Spencer PLC with customers including Marks & Spencer. Saxby's works were a larger factory to the far west of the site behind Wimborne House (now demolished) on Bar Lane. The building pictured above was the Vedonis offices; the main factory building was a much larger building further west on the Bar Lane industrial site which has not been accessed. However, semi-circular gables running the length of the building can be seen from outside of the industrial site and it is suspected that these are from the Vedonis factory. The building pictured above was the Vedonis offices; the main factory building was a much larger building further west on the Bar Lane industrial site which has not been accessed. However, semi-circular gables running the length of the building can be seen from outside of the industrial site and it is suspected that these are from the Vedonis factory. During World War II the Vedonis factories were used to produce munitions.

Heritage category:	Building
Asset type:	Industrial
Original use:	
Current use:	Industrial
Currently occupied:	
Architect, style / material:	
Condition:	Bad

Part of a group of heritage assets:

Associated with historical events or people:

Is it associated with any buried remains or archaeology? If so please describe:

How is it of importance to the local community? :

Selection Panel Date:	Date added to the list:
22/08/2019	

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