

HABERFIELD MAIN STREET STUDY 1993
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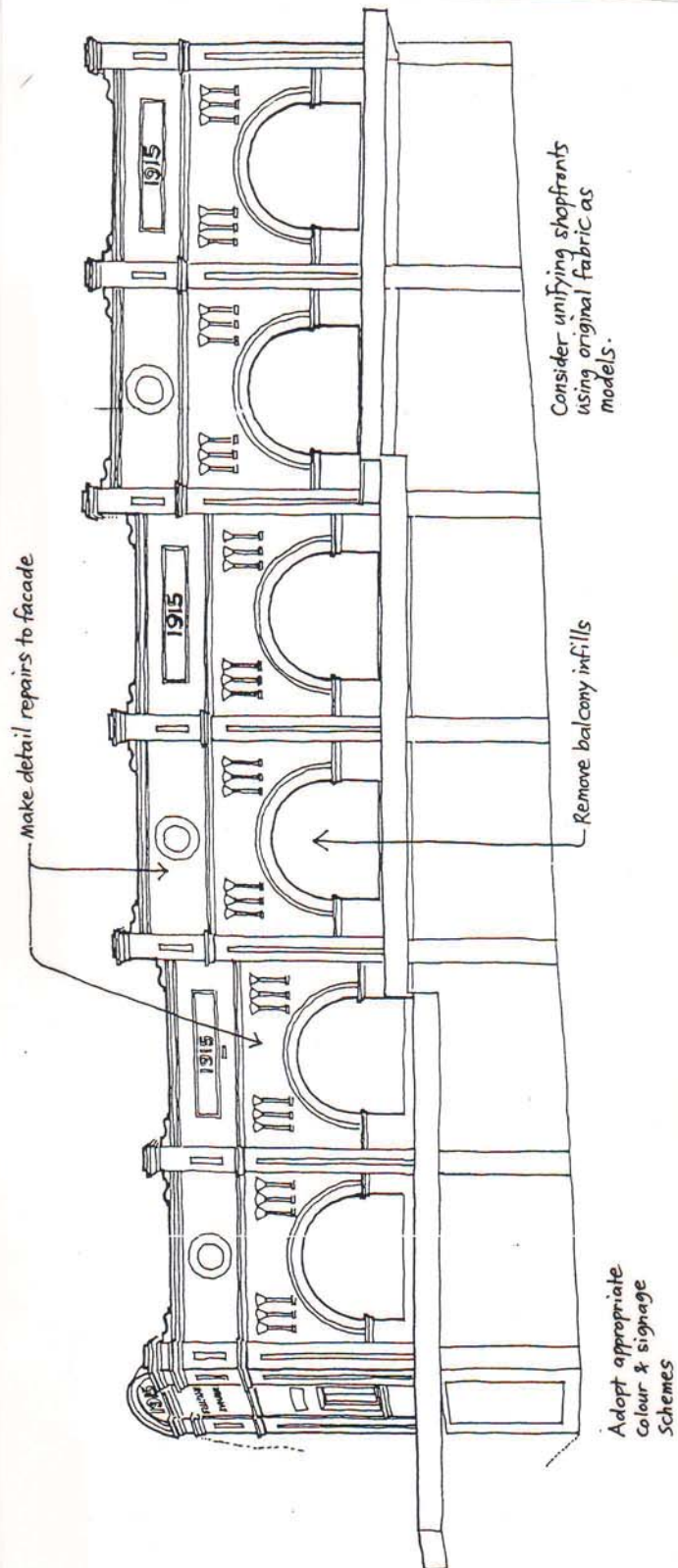
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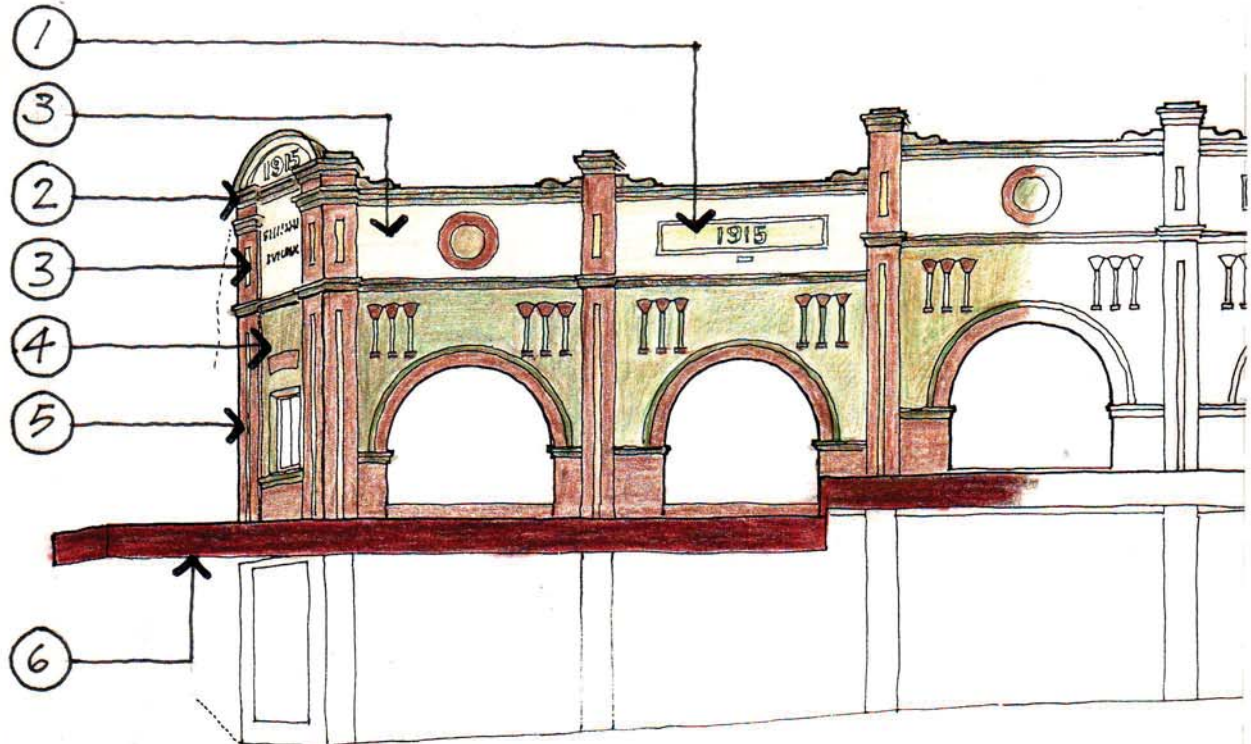
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1. VELVET GREEN
date panel, side wall
2. MULGA
capping to parapet and piers, string course, window label
moulding + impost
3. CHANTILLY
panels above string course, recessed panels in piers
4. WINTER GREEN
wall, roundel centres.
5. Strip paint from originally exposed brick elements or paint
to match unpainted brickwork.
6. DEEP INDIAN RED awning front

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