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# Beazleys Bridge Public Hall and War Memorial Gate Pillars, 6106 Ararat-St Arnaud Road, BEAZLEYS BRIDGE



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## Location

6106 Ararat-St Arnaud Road BEAZLEYS BRIDGE, NORTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

## Municipality

NORTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

## Level of significance

Recommended for Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Listing

Northern Grampians Shire

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## Statement of Significance

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The Beazleys Bridge Public Hall, 6106 Ararat-St Arnaud Road, Beazleys Bridge, has significance as a legacy of the development of the community and as a community meeting place from the interwar period (c1920s - 1940s) period. The site has also been used as a public meeting place since the erection of the previous hall in 1889. The building has architectural significance for its original features of the interwar era, and appears to be in fair to good condition. The four gate posts and marked tree planting are also significant as war memorials.

The Beazleys Bridge Public Hall, 6106 Ararat-St Arnaud Road, Beazleys Bridge, is **architecturally** significant at a **LOCAL** level. The building demonstrates original interwar design features including the gambrel roof forms clad in unpainted galvanised corrugated iron, modest eaves, galvanised iron ventilation stacks, the weatherboard clad lower walls and strapped sheet clad upper walls, the timber framed, double hung windows with the upper sashes divided into 6 panes, the flat hood over the main doors and the vertical board double main entry doors. The sign board above the door appears to be original. The four gate posts with marble tablets are also significant.

The Beazleys Bridge Public Hall, 6106 Ararat-St Arnaud Road, Beazleys Bridge, is **historically** and **socially** of **LOCAL** significance. It is associated with the development of the Beazleys Bridge community from the interwar (c1920s - 1940s) period, and is recognised and valued by the community as an important meeting and recreation place. The memorial gate posts and marked tree planting are also significant.

Overall, the Beazleys Bridge Public Hall, 6106 Ararat-St Arnaud Road, Beazleys Bridge, is of **LOCAL** significance.

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## Physical Description 1

The Beazleys Bridge Public Hall, 6106 Ararat-St Arnaud Road, Beazleys Bridge, has a rural setting, surrounded by a grassed area and pine plantings with a backdrop of local eucalypts. The entrance to the site is marked by four gate posts but no surviving gates or fencing. The four posts are of rendered masonry with smooth rendered square bases. The main shaft is of rough cast finish with smooth rendered stop chamfers. Each shaft has a shaped marble plaque which commemorates the participation of the district in war. The upper part of the shaft is marked with a smooth rendered moulding and small marble plaque. The shaft is capped by a moulded smooth rendered capping surmounted by a banded orb on a small square base. These memorial gate posts may predate the hall and date from the 1920s.

The horizontal timber weatherboard and strapped cement sheet, 1937 public hall is characterised by a pitched gambrel roof form clad in galvanised corrugated iron. The building demonstrates original interwar design features including the modest eaves, galvanised iron ventilation stacks, the timber framed, double hung windows with the upper sashes divided into 6 panes, the flat hood over the main doors and the vertical board double main entry doors. The sign board above the door appears to be original.

To one side of the hall is a metal tree guard with a post and sign. This memorial is to Gnr. J. H. McDonald who died of illness in 1918 in France.

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