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Location

George street HAMILTON, Southern Grampians Shire

Municipality

SOUTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

Level of significance

Stage 2 study complete

Heritage Listing

Southern Grampians Shire

Statement of Significance

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SIGNIFICANCE: Built to accommodate the baby boomers and the children in the newly developed Housing Commission Estates in east Hamilton. Locally significant as an example of the ubiquitous standard design.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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This building has local significance for its architectural interest as a 1950s structure using new materials (concrete blocks) and a standard design, and for its historical associations with the development of primary education in the Hamilton district which began with the formation of the Grange township in the 1850s, and for its

associations with the opening of Housing Commission of Victoria areas (Kokoda Avenue) in Hamilton a century later. The need for a new primary school in the town was created by the development of the Housing Commission area adjacent to the Hamilton Golf Links. A school was established in September 1957 on the east side of the town on land originally owned by the Church of England. Increased enrolments led to later additions to the original building of cement blocks. (i) The building is significantly intact and in excellent condition.

FOOTNOTES

i Garden, Don, Hamilton, p 239; Vision and Realisation, vol II, p 126.

Heritage Southern Grampians - City of Hamilton Conservation Study, Timothy Hubbard with

Study/Consultant Carlotta Kellaway & Dichael Looker (plus Francis Punch), 1991;

Construction dates 1957, 1960,

Hermes Number 27224

Property Number

Physical Description 1

MATERIALS:

Roof: corrugated iron
Walls: concrete blocks
Dressings: timber
Plinth: concrete blocks
Windows: timber awnings

Paving: concrete

Other:

NOTABLE FEATURES: use of concrete blocks and standard design; native garden

STYLE: Functionalist

LEVEL OF STREETSCAPE SIGNIFICANCE: 1 || 2 || 3 ||

Historical Australian Themes

ASSOCIATED HISTORIC THEMES

Education: State Primary Schools
Evolution of the Town: 1950s & 1960s

Integrity

Integrity: E

Physical Conditions

Conditions: E

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