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# POOWONG PIONEER STORE



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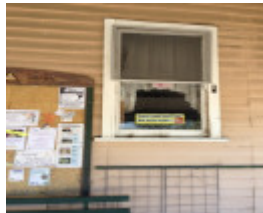
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## Location

5 NYORA ROAD, POOWONG, SOUTH GIPPSLAND SHIRE

## Municipality

SOUTH GIPPSLAND SHIRE

## Level of significance

Recommended for Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Listing

South Gippsland Shire

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## Statement of Significance

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### What is significant?

The former Poowong Pioneer Store, at 5 Nyora Road, Poowong, built in c.1906, is significant. The weatherboard gabled roof, single storey Federation former shop has a reconstructed front triangular parapet above a straight roofed street verandah supported by non-original turned posts. There are three of four segmentally arched valance between these turned posts. Above the verandah roofline, on the parapet, is a sign panel. There are a pair of finial posts at the end of the sign panel, and additional finial at the peak of the parapet frame. The frontage includes an early timber framed shopfront with recessed entry and a single double hung window. There is a two-storey building at the rear of the store.

Non-original alterations and additions, other than those specified above, are not significant.

### How is it significant?

The former Poowong Pioneer Store, at 5 Nyora Road, Poowong, is of local historic and aesthetic significance to the South Gippsland Shire .

### Why is it significant?

Historically, the former Poowong Pioneer Store is significant for the long and continuing use of this site as a commercial store for almost 150 years, since 1879. The building demonstrates the depth of commercial history within Poowong. It also demonstrates the early development of Poowong from the early stages of settlement. (Criterion A)

Aesthetically, the building is a superior example within the Shire of a large timber Federation shop. The large frontage, almost double that of a classic federation commercial building, the intact recessed entryway, the original straight roof verandah and the parapet illustrate a reasonably intact property of high heritage integrity. The building also significantly contributes to the aesthetic of Poowong. (Criterion E)

Heritage Study/Consultant	South Gippsland - South Gippsland Heritage Study, David Helms with Trevor Westmore, 2004;
Construction dates	1879, 1879, 1906, 1879, 1906,
Other Names	-, thematic, title,
Hermes Number	30939
Property Number	

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## Physical Description 1

The Poowong Pioneer Store at 5 Nyora Road, Poowong is a large gabled single storey weatherboard building with a reconstructed front parapet and a straight roofed street verandah. The parapet expresses the gable end with a horizontal sign panel extending above the roof line to the eaves. The ends of the sign panel are decorated with finial posts and scrolls above the parapet. The gable end has a small arched frame and finial. The verandah has turned posts, probably dating from the later modification and a segmentally arched valance. The building is divided internally and externally into two parts, the larger to the east, having an early timber framed shopfront with a recessed entry. The smaller section has one double hung window. The early photograph shows a window in the upper gable end, which possibly lit an early attic, but which is not included in the reconstruction. This building was probably originally two separate parallel structures, each with a gable roof, which may have been combined (hence the internal posts), but which is now united under the large gable on which the verandah and parapet have been constructed. There is a large two storey stable (?) building behind the store to the east.

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