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Location

Royal Parade, Brunswick, Moreland City

Municipality

MERRI-BEK CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO149

Heritage Listing

Merri-bek City

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - March 27, 2008

What is Significant

Hooper Reserve at the southern most end of Sydney Road between Park Street and Brunswick Road, Brunswick.

How is it Significant

Hooper Reserve is of historic significance to the City of Moreland.

Why is it Significant

Hooper Reserve is significant for the number of memorials and monuments erected commemorating significant

events and personalities to the local community. They represent the input of various important community groups over the history of the area. (AHC Criteria A.4 & G.1) Of note are the associated mature street trees continue the avenue plantings of Royal Parade to Brunswick Road, and form notable mature street trees within the municipality.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Moreland - City of Moreland Heritage Review, Allen Lovell and Associates, 1999; Moreland - Keeping Brunswick's heritage: A Report on the Review of the Brunswick Conservation Study, Context Pty Ltd, 1990;
Hermes Number	59174
Property Number	

Physical Description 1

A number of monuments located within a central road reserve and major tram stop, at the northern end of Royal Parade.

Remnant Fabric (Man Made): Much of the site is located at the middle of the road reserve, forming a landscaped area around a tram stop. A memorial erected to those who served in the Boer War is located on the west side of the tram stop. The masonry memorial features the figure of a soldier atop a high plinth and was unveiled on the 30th May, 1903. A substantial drinking fountain commemorating Thomas Wilkinson, 1st Chairman of the Brunswick Municipal Council is located immediately to the north. On the east side of Royal Parade adjacent to the foot path is a small clock tower presented by the ANA to the City of Brunswick in 1935.

Remnant Fabric (Vegetation): Each outer side of the road reserve features plantings of mature Plane Trees (*Platanus x acerifolius*). The trees continue the avenue concept of the Royal Parade Elms to the intersection of Brunswick Road. The landscaping within the tram stop area is of a fairly recent origin.

Potential Threats: Vandalism to the monuments. Over pruning of the Plane Trees for overhead utility or vehicle clearance.

This place/object may be included in the Victorian Heritage Register pursuant to the Heritage Act 2017. Check the Victorian Heritage Database, selecting 'Heritage Victoria' as the place source.

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