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# PORT FRANKLIN PRIMARY SCHOOL No. 4280 (FORMER)



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## Location

7-11 CENTRE STREET, and TRAMWAY STREET, PORT FRANKLIN, SOUTH GIPPSLAND SHIRE

## Municipality

SOUTH GIPPSLAND SHIRE

## Level of significance

Recommended for Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

## Heritage Listing

South Gippsland Shire

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## Statement of Significance

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### What is significant?

The former Port Franklin State School No. 4280, at 7-11 Centre Street, Port Franklin, designed by the Public Works Department and re-erected on this site in 1930 after being relocated from Wonyip, is significant. It is a typical interwar gabled weatherboard school with a bank of multi-pane windows placed off-centre in the south elevation. Other original details include the lattice vent at the peak of the gable, simple eaves brackets and an external brick chimney.

Non-original alterations and additions, including the skillion entry to the side of the building and other buildings on the site, are not significant.

### How is it significant?

The former Port Franklin State School No. 4280 is of local historic and social significance to the South Gippsland Shire.

### Why is it significant?

Historically, this building is associated with the development of Port Franklin and the proliferation of rural one-room schools during the Interwar period, which saw many opened in relatively close proximity to existing schools. It also demonstrates the practice of moving and re-using school buildings according to need. (Criterion A)  
It is of social significance for its use as a public building for almost 90 ninety years, firstly as the school and later in association with the recreation reserve as a focus of community activities, sport and recreation in Port Franklin. (Criterion G)

Heritage Study/Consultant	South Gippsland - South Gippsland Heritage Study, David Helms with Trevor Westmore, 2004;
Construction dates	1929, 1927, 1927,
Architect/Designer	Public Works Department,
Other Names	Port Franklin State School, Former Port Franklin State School,
Hermes Number	73362
Property Number	

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## Physical Description 1

An interwar timber one-room school of standard design.

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