
ST HELENS JETTY, SWIMMING POOL, BATHS AND BOATSHED

Location

BAY STREET NORTH GEELONG, GREATER GEELONG CITY

Municipality

GREATER GEELONG CITY

Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7721-0152

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

Statement of Significance

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This site has social significance as a recreational landscape fo swimming and boating.

Interpretation of Site

The original jetty has been incorporated into the St Helens Baths Northern Jetty. The baths were formed by two jetties, of which one was possibly a pier, which were enclosed at the eastern end. The southern Baths Jetty has since been demolished, but the Northern Jetty has been incorporated as an accessway to the current modern St Helens Jetty (pier). The area to the immediate north of the Northern Jetty has been filled to form the St Helens Boat Ramp Car park, and the Northern Jetty now appears like a concrete retaining wall. Steps from the former baths are still evident on the Northern Jetty and on the Western foreshore Promenade. Retaining wall and a short promenade also extend along the eastern end of St Helens Park.

Hermes Number 112659

Property Number

History

St Helens Jetty was constructed sometime around 1910, when the jetty and two boatsheds are shown in this area between St Davids and Bay Streets. St Helens Swimming Pool is first in plan for 1941, and was constructed from two parallel jetties with an enclosed end. A new jetty had been added here by the 1950s, and by the 1960s the site was known as St Helens Baths. A new Pier (St Helens Jetty) was constructed at the extremity of the northern end of the St Helens Baths. By the 1960s, major land reclamation took place to create St Helens Promenade and the car park for the St Helens Marina.

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