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Location

Western Highway STAWELL, NORTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

Municipality

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Level of significance

Recommended for Heritage Overlay

Heritage Listing

Northern Grampians Shire

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - August 27, 2004

The Major Mitchell Memorial off the Western Highway, Stawell, has significance as a monument to the exploration of this part of Victoria by Major Thomas Mitchell, Surveyor-General of the Colony of N.S.W., and his party, in 1836.

The Major Mitchell Memorial off the Western Highway, Stawell, is **historically** and **socially** significant at a **LOCAL** level. It is associated with commemorating the expedition through the western plains of Victoria by Major Thomas Mitchell, Surveyor General of the Colony of N.S.W., and his party, in 1836. It also has associations with the Stawell Borough and Shire Councils who funded its construction in 1930 to mark the centenary of Mitchell's

journey. The Memorial is recognised by the Stawell community as a significant legacy of this critical part of early 19th century Australian exploration.

Overall, the Major Mitchell Memorial off the Western Highway is of **LOCAL** significance.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Northern Grampians - Shire of Northern Grampians - Stage 2 Heritage Study, Wendy Jacobs, Vicki Johnson, David Rowe, Phil Taylor, 2004;
Hermes Number	113185
Property Number	

Physical Description 1

The Major Mitchell Memorial off the Western Highway, Stawell, has a rural bushland setting. The Memorial comprises rough hewn granite blocks forming a rudimentary obelisk and projecting base of two courses. Centrally positioned on the memorial is a plaque that reads:

"Major Mitchell Passed This Spot July 13th 1836, Erected 1930".

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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