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### Location

230 Lower Plenty Road ROSANNA, BANYULE CITY

#### **Municipality**

BANYULE CITY

#### Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

#### **Heritage Overlay Numbers**

HO166

#### **Heritage Listing**

**Banyule City** 

## **Statement of Significance**

Last updated on - July 20, 2009

What is significant?

The former Rosanna Fire Station at 230 Lower Plenty Road, designed by Percy Everett and built in 1953, is significant.

How is it significant?

The former Rosanna Fire Station is of historical, social and aesthetic significance to Banyule City.

#### Why is it significant?

The former fire station at Rosanna is a late work by the renowned Government Architect Percy Everett (1934-1953). (Criteria A & H)

Under the leadership of Everett, the Public Works Department assumed a high profile and completed a large number of innovative, modern and stylish buildings for courts, police, schools and technical colleges. Rosanna Fire Station is an excellent example of the work of Everett. The corner site and separate parts of the building under low pitched roofs provides an interesting composition, which is still highly intact. (Criterion E)

The building has some social significance as a fire station for over thirty years before adapting to a new community use as a neighbourhood house. (Criterion G)

Heritage Study/Consultant	Banyule - Banyule Heritage Review, Context P/L, 2009; Banyule - Banyule Heritage Study, Allum Lovell & amp; Associates, 1999; Banyule - Heidelberg Conservation Study, Graeme Butler and Associates, 1985;
Architect/Designer	Everett, Percy,
Hermes Number	123463
Property Number	

#### **Physical Description 1**

The former Rosanna Fire Station is a landmark building on Lower Plenty Road. It is sited at an angle to the corner and is composed of a series of pavilions with flat roofs. The central part of the building was designed as accommodation for the fire trucks, has a raised roof and two sets of timber doors between rounded concrete pillars. The remainder of the building has a lower profile and contains accommodation for offices and a residence. Of cream face brick with timber framed modern windows, the building appears highly intact despite being adapted for a new use as a neighbourhood house. The building is composed of several parts with discrete low pitched roofs, and this combined with the angled siting give a very distinctive appearance to the building. It is an excellent example of the work of Percy Everett whose contribution to the design of public buildings in the Inter War period was exemplary.

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