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Location

130 Grimshaw Street GREENSBOROUGH, BANYULE CITY

Municipality

BANYULE CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO137

Heritage Listing

Banyule City

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - July 20, 2009

What is significant?

The brick building at Greensborough Primary School, built in 1878 and with later early 20th century additions and alterations, is significant. The new building situated in the centre of the site is not significant.

How is it significant?

The former Greensborough Primary School is of local aesthetic, social and historic significance to the City of Banyule.

Why is it significant?

The building occupies the site of the first Primary School in Greensborough constructed in 1855, and has remained in use as a school until the present time. The building is also one of the few structures dating from the 19th century remaining in Greensborough. (Criterion A)

It occupies a key corner location at the entrance to the commercial centre of Greensborough and is a landmark building. (Criterion E)

The school is representative of the style of school building designed by the Public Works Department from the late nineteenth century. The form of the building remains largely intact, although it has undergone minor changes such as alteration of the windows. (Criterion D)

Greensborough Primary School is of social significance as a place of education from 1855. It has had a role in the lives of generations of Greensborough children and their families right up to the present day, and is of great significance to the local community for this reason. (Criterion G)

Heritage Study/Consultant	Banyule - Banyule Heritage Review, Context P/L, 2009; Banyule - Banyule Heritage Study, Allum Lovell & Associates, 1999;
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Physical Description 1

This school was built in 1878 though incremental additions to the original form, including a large new wing which appears to be early 20th century in origin, are apparent as the role has increased. The style is typical for a small scale institutional building of the era. It is single storey and constructed in exposed red brick with a roof formed of two main gables with an intersecting gable at the south western end. The eaves overhand somewhat with timber rafter supports visible beneath. The intersecting gable has a timber-louvered ventilation panel under the eaves. The roof is corrugated metal throughout and appears to have been newly replaced. The building features various chimneys, the style of which indicates different periods of construction.

Windows are painted timber frame and formed of two, three and four sets of rectangular double hung sashes with a top light. Horizontal and vertical muntins divide each pane into six. Openings are supported by plain concrete lintels indicating that windows have been increased in size. There is a small portico on the south western corner, also formed in brick with a gabled roof set below the higher gable. The building is situated on the street corner with the site extending behind it with various other larger buildings present. The property is landscaped with trees, paved surfaces and playing courts. Other buildings within the school grounds were redeveloped during the 1980s.

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