Rushworth Memorial Clock Tower



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Location

Median High Street RUSHWORTH, Campaspe Shire

Municipality

CAMPASPE SHIRE

Level of significance

-

Heritage Overlay Numbers

Heritage Listing

Vic. War Heritage Inventory

Statement of Significance

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An uncommon and successful war memorial form (considered amongst the multitude of similarly formed honour rolls and obelisks else where) which provides a matching focus to structures already established centrally in the street and echoes the built character of this part of High Street. For Rushworth it symbolizes the dead of the two great Wars.

Heritage Study/Consultant Campaspe - Waranga Conservation Study, Graeme Butler Architect, 1988;

Construction dates 1923,

Architect/Designer Castles, Arthur Edgar,

Hermes Number 125781

Property Number

Physical Description 1

Elevated in an Eastern manner it has a simple hipped herringbone-pattern tile roof set over a symmetrical brick core, consisting of comer piers either side of seating recesses. Central to the roof is a raised clock tower with a similar hipped roof and four clock faces. As a whole the tower provides an ornamental focus to the median and relates architecturally to the Mechanics Institute and SSB bank opposite. Complete in 1923 it houses rolls of honour to both wars.

Streetscape: Taking up the motif already created by the band rotunda in the 1880s, the clock tower also takes full advantage of the street width and echoes the Edwardian character of this section of High Street.

Integrity

Generally original, except for removal of perimeter fence, (chain wire, white posts and gate).

Veterans Description for Public

The Rushworth Memorial Clock Tower on the High Street remembers the dead of the two great wars. An uncommon response to commemorating the dead from the First War, this clock tower was designed by the Shire Engineer, Arthur E. Castles (Glasgow Store designer) for completion in 1923. As with most Victorian towns, Rushworth formed a branch of the Returned Soldiers and Sailors Imperial League of Australia and it was through their efforts that the tower was built. It was opened by the Victorian Governor, the Earl of Stradbroke, during a ceremony organised by the Rushworth storekeeper, G.F. Walbran. It houses rolls of honour to both wars.

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