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# Longlea Explosives Storage

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## Location

Longlea, GREATER BENDIGO CITY

## Municipality

GREATER BENDIGO CITY

## Level of significance

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## Heritage Listing

Vic. War Heritage Inventory

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Construction dates 1944,

Hermes Number 126286

Property Number

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## Physical Description 1

WW2 explosives storage area

## Historical Australian Themes

Providing administrative structures and authorities - defence

## Usage/Former Usage

Explosives storage

## Veterans Description for Public

The Longlea Explosives Storage was built on a site compulsorily acquired January 27th 1944. The Second World War was a period of huge expansion for defence industries as Australia geared up for 'total war'. New factories and facilities were constructed as part of the munitions effort but the pre-war trend of locating nearly all defence industries in Victoria was actually reversed and the majority of new factories of this time were built in other states. There were, of course, many additions to existing facilities and scores of private firms turned over almost their entire production to war work for a few years. As a general rule buildings before 1942 are in brick and after that time in concrete, timber, corrugated iron and asbestos.

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