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# Ellerslie War Memorial



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## Location

Hopkins Highway, Ellerslie VIC 3265

## Municipality

MOYNE SHIRE

## Level of significance

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## Heritage Overlay Numbers

## Heritage Listing

Vic. War Heritage Inventory

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## Statement of Significance

Last updated on - December 10, 2002

#### *What is significant?*

The Ellerslie war memorial, Ellerslie, erected in 1924, is a simple obelisk cut from rock-faced granite and set on a stone base. It stands on a small reserve on the south bank of the Hopkins River. It remembers those men who died in the first and second world wars.

#### *How is it significant?*

The Ellerslie war memorial, Ellerslie, erected in 1924, is of historical, aesthetic and social significance to Moyne Shire

#### *Why is it significant?*

The Ellerslie war memorial, Ellerslie, is of historical significance as a memorial to the local men who lost their lives as soldiers in World War I, and to those who served; and also as a memorial to those who served and died in later wars. It is also of historical significance as a symbol of public sentiment, its construction made possible by public funds.

The Ellerslie war memorial, Ellerslie, is of local aesthetic significance for its use of local stone and its setting by the bank of the Hopkins River.

The Ellerslie war memorial, Ellerslie, is of local social significance as a place of pilgrimage and remembrance for the local people of the district, especially on Anzac Day each year.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Moyne - Moyne Shire Heritage Study Stage 2, Helen Doyle in association with Context P/L, 2006;
Construction dates	1924,
Hermes Number	127486
Property Number	

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## **Physical Description 1**

The Ellerslie war memorial is a simple stone obelisk on a stone plinth that has been cut from rock-faced granite. It is located on a small reserve on the south bank of the Hopkins River and close to the Ellerslie Bridge (VHR H1029).

### **COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS**

The Ellerslie war memorial is one of an important group of local war memorials erected in Moyne Shire in the aftermath of World War I. It is a typical design - that of a simple stone obelisk set upon a plain stone plinth. It is similar to the memorials at Hexham, Macarthur and Koroit (although the latter has been somewhat altered).

## **Physical Conditions**

Good

## **Integrity**

Intact

## **Veterans Description for Public**

The Ellerslie War Memorial is a simple stone obelisk on a stone plinth that has been cut from rock-faced granite. It is located on a small reserve on the south bank of the Hopkins River and close to the Ellerslie Bridge. The memorial was erected after the First World War and was probably funded by public subscriptions. There were a

total of thirty local men who enlisted to serve in the Great War. Of these, eleven made the supreme sacrifice. In the Second World War around sixty locals served; two men never returned home. The site was presented to the district by Mr V.E. Gordon and Mr George Gordon of Ballangeich. The unveiling took place in March 1924. An Anzac Day service is held at the memorial every year.

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