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# Former Ringwood Fire Station & two adjoining flats



Maroondah Hwy 255.jpg

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## Location

253-257 Maroondah Highway RINGWOOD, MAROONDAH CITY

## Municipality

MAROONDAH CITY

## Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO41

## Heritage Listing

Maroondah City

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## Statement of Significance

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The former Ringwood Fire Station No.22. is a brick two-storied building with accommodation either side, in single storied wings. It opened in 1930. The architect may have been Cedric H. Ballantyne. It is historically significant to Maroondah as the embodiment of fire-fighting developments in Ringwood. It is architecturally significant as a particularly intact inter-war outer suburban fire station.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Maroondah - Maroondah Heritage Identification Study, Richard Peterson with Peter Barrett, 1998;
Hermes Number	146906
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## Physical Description 1

A two-storied red brick hip-roofed symmetrical fire station, with single-storied wings set well back on each side. The central block is two-bayed, each with triple double-hung sashes with six-paned upper sashes. Between is a deeply modelled bas-relief cement panel of the Brigade's coat of arms. Below is a full-width panel with "Metropolitan Fire Brigade" in embossed and serified letters, with deep-soldier courses above and below. First side-bays have oriel windows on corbels over a stepped projecting panel surrounded by a soldier course over a triple window. Ground floor front has a full-width vehicular opening. The roof is unglazed terra-cotta (flat) plain tiles. The four chimneys have terra-cotta pots and stepped panels. The wings are gable-roofed across, with parapet ends. They are roofed with Marseilles tiles over three bays. The central bay projects as a gabled porch, with round-headed openings. It recesses with canted sides into which the four bay-windows return. The entrance door is glazed, round-headed (obscured) with its original fly -screen door. The gable has curved ends in the Asian manner, on corbels of thin wafer bricks. The arch is also formed with these bricks, stepped in front. The porch is paved with red and blue herringbone bricks of high quality craftsmanship.

## Intactness

Very good.

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