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# Former Milthorpe Store

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## Location

42-44 Main-Hurstbridge Road DIAMOND CREEK, NILLUMBIK SHIRE

## Municipality

NILLUMBIK SHIRE

## Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO259

## Heritage Listing

Nillumbik Shire

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## Statement of Significance

Last updated on - January 1, 2012

### *What is significant?*

The former Milthorpe Store constructed circa 1915 and triangular site located at 42-44 Main Hurstbridge Road, Diamond Creek. The original form, materials and simple detailing of the building are integral to its significance.

### *How is it significant?*

The former Milthorpe Store located at 42-44 Main Hurstbridge Road, Diamond Creek is of local historical and aesthetic significance to the Shire of Nillumbik.

### *Why is it significant?*

The former Milthorpe Store is historically significant for its long association with commercial activities within the township of Diamond Creek. Charles Milthorpe established a store and carrier business in circa 1915 located opposite the recently extended railway line and Diamond Creek Railway Station. The building is of historical significance for its associations with the Milthorpe family, who ran a store and carrier business from this location from circa 1915 until circa 1960. The Milthorpe family were early settlers in the district and also owned and ran an orchard property close to Diamond Creek township. The former store is of historical importance as an early surviving commercial building in Diamond Creek and illustrates the shift of the commercial centre closer to the

railway station after 1912 when the line was extended from Eltham to Hurstbridge. The former store was one of the first commercial buildings to be constructed near the railway stations after the line was extended. (Criteria A, B & H)

The former Milthorpe Store is aesthetically significant as a partially intact example of an early twentieth century rural store still demonstrating the humble nature of its original construction. Significant features that have been retained include the overall form with a double gable roof and skillion roofed verandah to the front and the weatherboard cladding. (Criteria D & E)

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