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Location

6E HENRY STREET, PAKENHAM, CARDINIA SHIRE

Municipality

CARDINIA SHIRE

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO226

Heritage Listing

Cardinia Shire

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - January 1, 1900

What is significant?

The Pakenham War Memorial, on the north corner of Henry and John streets, Pakenham, in front of Pakenham Hall. It is a grey granite cenotaph with a small, rock-faced obelisk at the top. It sits on a low rock-faced plinth with two steps. It was erected in the 1920s to honour the local men who served in the 1914-18 war. After the Second World War, it was modified to honour the men and women who served in that conflict, and the five men who were killed.

How is it significant?

The Pakenham War Memorial is of local historic significance to Cardinia Shire.

Why is it significant?

Historically, as a memorial to the men and women from the Pakenham area who served in the armed forces, and the five who gave their lives during the Second World War. The list of servicewomen is rare on war memorials in the shire. (Criterion A)

Construction dates 1920,

Hermes Number 201543

Property Number

Physical Description 1

The Pakenham War Memorial is situated at the north corner of Henry and John streets outside the Pakenham Library. It is a grey granite cenotaph with a small, rock-faced obelisk at the top. It sits on a low rock-faced plinth with two steps. The granite of the cenotaph alternates between polish and tooled granite.

The main inscription (in bronze lettering) reads: Erected by the Residents of Pakenham and District as a tribute to the men who enlisted and in memory of those who made the Supreme Sacrifice in the Great Wars, 1914-1919. 1939-1945. (The dates of the Second World War were added later.)

There are also lists (in bronze lettering) of those who died in both wars, as well as women in the Womens Services on the base.

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