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# WOOD STREET FOOTBRIDGE



22546 Wood Street  
Footbridge - 1-13 Riverwood  
Lane, Lower Templestowe

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## Location

Wood Street and 1-13 Riverwood Lane TEMPLESTOWE LOWER, Manningham City

## Municipality

MANNINGHAM CITY

## Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO221

## Heritage Listing

Manningham City

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## Statement of Significance

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What is significant?

The Wood Street footbridge, constructed c.1955 and the Poplar Avenue, off Wood Street, Templestowe.

How is it significant?

The Wood Street Suspension bridge and Poplar Avenue are of local historic and aesthetic significance to Manningham City.

Why is it significant?

The Wood Street Suspension bridge is of historic significance for the associations with the fathers of the Blessed sacrament. (RNE criterion H.1)

The Wood Street Suspension bridge and associated elements have aesthetic significance as an intact and well-executed example of Inter-war engineering. The approach to the bridge is enhanced by the remnant poplar avenue. (RNE criterion E.1)

Heritage Study/Consultant Manningham - Manningham Heritage Study Review, Context Pty Ltd, 2006;

Hermes Number 22546

Property Number

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## Historical Australian Themes

Local Themes

6.02 - Churches

## Physical Description 1

A single-span suspension footbridge over the Yarra River, located in Finns Reserve, at the end of the access road off Wood Street. The bridge is of steel construction with a steel-framed timber deck and latticed, steel angled towers supporting the wire rope cables. The bridge is a transitional structural type which combines both the use of diagonal cables and two main catenary cables. The timber decking to the bridge and the ramp at its southern end appear to be relatively recent. The avenue of poplars along the access road to the bridge has a degraded appearance due to missing and heavily pruned trees. At the Wood Street entrance to the reserve is a wrought iron gate with brick piers, which are presumably contemporary with the bridge. Nearby the gate are two conifers. The timber gatehouse described in the Doncaster and Templestowe Heritage Study (1991) has been demolished.

It is comparable to footbridges across the Yarra River at Gipps Street, Collingwood; Walmer Street, Kew; Roseneath Street, Clifton Hill.

## Physical Conditions

Condition Good

## Integrity

Integrity Minor Modifications

## Physical Description 2

Key elements

Bridge

Fence/gate

Tree(s)

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