
UPPER BEACONSFIELD POST OFFICE



Upper Beaconsfield Post Office

Location

Salisbury Road BEACONSFIELD UPPER, Cardinia Shire

Municipality

CARDINIA SHIRE

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO111

Heritage Listing

Cardinia Shire

Statement of Significance

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Built in 1914, the Upper Beaconsfield Post Office is significant to the Cardinia Shire as a major and early public building in one of the Shire's towns, as well as the oldest surviving purpose-built post office. The building is a local landmark and a rare building type in the shire. The post office is also a demonstration of design accomplishment, as qualified by the modest scale of the building.

Regional Significance

Heritage Study/Consultant	Cardinia - Cardinia Shire Heritage Study 1996, Graeme Butler & Associates, 1996;
Construction dates	1914,
Other Names	Salisbury Road, Upper Beaconsfield,
Hermes Number	30144
Property Number	

Physical Description 1

This weatherboarded Tudor revival style post office, with verandahed residence, is typical of government designed post offices of the era (see also Woodend, brick example) but has been altered. Configured like a typical house, the residence has a high hipped roof profile and the office is housed in two projecting gabled room bays; the roof is clad with corrugated iron.

The front bay has grouped casement windows, with small upper lights. The residence verandah has a slatted timber frieze and the trussed and bracketed end-gables of the office (with finials) has simulated rough-cast sheet cladding.

Physical Conditions

Private boxes have been added to the front of the gabled bay, new openings created, window details altered and the fences changed.

Historical Australian Themes

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8.5 Tourist centres, e.g. Upper Beaconsfield, Gembrook

9.10 Post offices

Physical Description 2

Associations - Hopkins, James; Hopkins, Miss G.

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