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## Location

472 Lower Heidelberg Road HEIDELBERG, Banyule City

## Municipality

BANYULE CITY

## Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO42

## Heritage Listing

Banyule City

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## Statement of Significance

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The Masonic Temple is of local historical significance. The building was Heidelberg's first public hall, constructed in 1892 and refurbished in 1930.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Banyule - Banyule Heritage Study, Allum Lovell & Associates, 1999; Banyule - Heidelberg Conservation Study, Graeme Butler and Associates, 1985;
Hermes Number	31343
Property Number	

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## Historical Australian Themes

The Heidelberg Recreation Hall Company was founded in December 1891, to establish a circulating library, reading and writing rooms and a reference library which would provide amusement, entertainment and instruction for the growing community in the area.

## Usage/Former Usage

Original: Recreation Hall

Current: Masonic Temple

## Physical Conditions

Good

## Physical Description 1

The Masonic Lodge is a two-storey red brick building with a parapetted, hipped corrugated iron roof and a relatively narrow frontage to Lower Heidelberg Road. The facade is divided into three bays by vertical rendered pilasters that rise through both floors. The entrance door is recessed within a porch supported on Ionic columns, above which is a rendered decorative panel. Windows are double-hung with six-paned upper sashes and rendered lintels. The parapet is pedimented in the centre and has a simple moulded capping.

## Intactness

Fair

## Physical Description 2

No property description

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