Glen Huntly Railway Station



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Location

Glen Huntly Road GLEN HUNTLY, Glen Eira City

Municipality

GLEN EIRA CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO112

Heritage Listing

Glen Eira City

Statement of Significance

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Glen Huntly Railway Station was opened with the line from Caulfield to Frankston on 19th of December, 1881. Whilst the original main station building erected to a standard design only used on the Frankston railway in 1882 has been demolished, the original downside portable building is extant. This building is historically and technically significant.

It is historically significant (Criterion A) as the oldest extant railway building in the Municipality directly expressive

of the standard of accommodation provided for passengers and staff from the commencement of railway services. This importance is enhanced by the fact that it is the secondary building of the complex at this location, the more common pattern being for the secondary buildings to be replaced and the main buildings to be retained.

It is technically important (Criterion F) as an increasingly rare surviving example of a standard nineteenth century railway portable building, once in widespread use throughout the suburban and country rail systems from the Railway Boom period but now much less common. Aspects of technical importance include the bolted framing and timber lined panel construction and now over painted evidence of the original paint colour scheme.

Heritage Glen Eira - City of Glen Eira Heritage Management Plan, Andrew Ward,

Study/Consultant Architectural Historian, 1996;

Hermes Number 43641

Property Number

Physical Description 1

A complex of recently rebuilt buildings retaining the original asphalt paved platforms with bluestone copings and defaced brick upstand walls and including an early timber framed building on the downside platform. It is a standard nineteenth century portable structure with gable roof and former booking lobby at the north end erected as an extension of the portable itself. This gable roofed structure is carried on timber beams with scalloped ends and retains two picket barrier gates. The main portable has beaded vertical linings to the walls and doors and the roadside windows have been permanently sheeted over. There are characteristic bolted structural connections and a presumed later extension at the south end, the platform wall having beaded vertical linings, the south wall facing the waiting shelter having bull nosed weatherboard linings and the roadside having rusticated weatherboard linings. There is a waiting shelter at the south end open to the platform with a recent bench seat and window. Passengers are protected by a recent sympathetic timber posted verandah.

Physical Description 2

Integrity: High (portable station building only).

Physical Description 3

Condition: Sound.

Historical Australian Themes

Public Services: Railways

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