# Queen's Memorial Infectious Diseases Hospital, later Fairfield Hospital complex (former)



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Fairfield Hospital - Infectious Diseases Ward



Fairfield Hospital Wards - Exterior



Fairfield Hospital - Overview

## Location

#### Municipality

YARRA CITY

#### Level of significance

Registered

#### Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H1878

#### **Heritage Overlay Numbers**

HO303

## **Heritage Listing**

Yarra City

# **Statement of Significance**

Last updated on - September 6, 2008

This property is on the Victorian Heritage Register - H1878.

For more information on this property, refer to the Victorian Heritage Register information.

Heritage Study/Consultant Yarra - Northcote Urban Conservation Study, Graeme Butler & Damp; Associates, 1982; Yarra - City of Yarra Heritage Review, Allom Lovell & Damp; Associates, 1998; Yarra - City

of Yarra Review of Heritage Overlay Areas, Graeme Butler & Damp; Associates, 2007;

Construction dates

1901,

Hermes Number

103449

**Property Number** 

# Physical Description 1

Externally the first buildings were of cavity face brickwork with stucco dressings and Marseilles pattern terracotta tiles; they generally followed the Queen Anne or Federation style of architecture.

The two original ward blocks (1901-04; Building Nos. 4 and 5; later the Pathology Building and the Pay Office and Fitters and Turner's Building) are single-storey red brick Edwardian buildings characterised by two conically roofed octagonal tower rooms on the north end. The buildings are long and pavilion-like, with terracotta tiled roofs and timber-framed windows.

The new administration building and wards of 1916-17 is a symmetrical double-storey austere brick building, late

Edwardian in style. The walls are of red brick with rendered string courses, lintels and chimney caps. The entrance is marked by a decorative gable-end bearing the words the QUEEN'S MEMORIAL INFECTIOUS DISEASES HOSPITAL. The building has a relatively complex hipped and gabled roof clad in terracotta tiles. The entrance porch is a later addition.

The Nurses' Home (1901-04, extended 1916 on its east side) is a three-storey brick building with an unusual three-storey timber-framed verandah. The roof is penetrated by tall gabled bays.

The ambulance garage, workshops and men's quarters (1940) is an austere single- and double storey brick building with Moderne characteristics. The double-storey section is parapeted and has a relatively narrow horizontal band of windows. The ambulance garage is behind a dominant curved brick wall which forms part of the perimeter fence of the complex. The FVG Scholes block (1949) is an unusual modern building with a glazed facade, much of it zig-zag in plan.

Other structures on the site include the tall, tapered brick incinerator chimney.

Many of the buildings have been altered, particularly in the post-War period. Some entrances have been changed, and covered walkways connecting buildings erected.

#### Integrity

not assessed

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