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## St. Albans Public Hall



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Site 095 - St Albans Public  
Hall.jpg

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### Location

East Esplanade, ST ALBANS VIC 3021 - Property No 95

### Municipality

BRIMBANK CITY

### Level of significance

Incl in HO area contributory

### Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO100

### Heritage Listing

Brimbank City

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### Statement of Significance

Last updated on - November 1, 1998

#### Individual place statement of significance::

The St.Albans public hall is of local historical significance as the centre of municipal and social activity during the post-World War Two growth period when the character of St.Albans was dramatically changed through substantial British and European immigration and settlement. The small size of the hall reflects both the small initial population, and possibly the low priority of the then Keilor -focussed council for which St.Albans was a peripheral concern.

**Precinct statement of significance::**

The St.Albans Village Plan Heritage Area is historically significant as an innovative and unusual plan for a Melbourne suburb in the 19th century. Its circular and curved layout, designed by well-known Melbourne architect, Percy Oakden, centred on the railway line - the drawcard for prospective buyers of land. The link with railway development was characteristic of boom-time Melbourne. The main feature is the layout of streets and the naming system and it is important that these aspects should be preserved.

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Construction dates	1956,
Hermes Number	106057
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**Physical Description 1**

Small shop-front hall of cream brick and glazed tiles, with a frosted glass door leading into a small timber-panelled foyer. The hall itself is deep, but scaled according to the narrow street frontage and so would accommodate up to 100 people. The structure comprises cavity brick load-bearing walls with steel angle iron truss roof and timber purlins, clad in corrugated iron and lined internally with fibrous plaster and timber composite panels.

**Physical Conditions**

In good condition, although some alterations and repainting have been done.

**Historical Australian Themes**

- 8 Developing Australia's cultural life
- 8.10 Pursuing excellence in the arts and sciences

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