
Scout Hall (former)



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Location

19 Edward Street COBURG, MORELAND CITY

Municipality

MERRI-BEK CITY

Level of significance

Recommended for Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO570

Heritage Listing

Merri-bek City

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - May 12, 2023

What is significant?

The former scout hall at 19 Edward Street, Coburg is significant. The form of the original scout hall is significant, as well as key features including the weatherboards, timber windows, timber gable ends and front entrance.

How is it significant?

The former scout hall is of local historical, aesthetic and associative significance to the City of Moreland.

Why is it significant?

The former Scout Hall, built in 1926, is historically significant for its associations with the Boy Scout movement and is one of the oldest purpose-built scout halls in the City of Moreland. The former scout hall is also historically significant as a site constructed with volunteer labour and funded through local donations. (Criterion A) The former scout hall exhibits aesthetic characteristics as an intact 1920s weatherboard scout hall. (Criterion E)

Heritage Study/Consultant Moreland Heritage Nominations Study, Extent Heritage, 2022;

Construction dates 1925,

Hermes Number 206796

Property Number

Physical Description 1

The Scout Hall (former) at 19 Edward Street, Coburg comprises a single-storey weatherboard hall with north-south facing gabled roof lined with Colourbond. Projecting bays are present on both the eastern and western wings of the hall, with a central timber entrance. Front facing gable ends are lined with weatherboard. There is one tall face brick chimney along the western elevation with the chimney breast now enclosed by galvanised iron. The three windows on the front facade are timber double-hung sash, with 6 small panes to the upper window. The front door is a double board and brace timber construction with a short awning projecting out from the skillion roof above.

The building is painted in a blue and white colour scheme. It is encouraged that prior to any new paint works that a historic paint scheme analysis is undertaken to determine the most appropriate colour scheme for the former scout hall.

The site includes a substantial eucalyptus tree in the front yard which appears to be quite old. The streetscape setting on Edward Street is a mixture of interwar and postwar construction.

In 2018, a planning permit was approved for the construction of a second dwelling to the western side of the existing dwelling. This will create a dual occupancy within the one building. This work appears to be in progress though is in early stages.

The place appears to be in good condition, though in a state of renovations towards the rear of the structure. Due to the large eucalypt in the front yard, a large amount of leaf waste is present on the roof and in the guttering.

Integrity

- New paint over time
- Rear extension
- Addition of galvanised iron structure around the chimney breast to the western elevation*
- Residential conversion, date unknown

The former scout hall has been converted into a private residence. Though the exterior appears to be largely original in form, it has been repainted and current renovations to the rear of the structure have the potential to impact the site's integrity further. The building therefore has moderate integrity overall.

* Denotes element that detracts from the cultural significance of the place.

Physical Conditions

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This place/object may be included in the Victorian Heritage Register pursuant to the Heritage Act 2017. Check the Victorian Heritage Database, selecting 'Heritage Victoria' as the place source.

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