
Kew War Memorial



City of Kew Urban
Conservation Study 1988

Location

186 High Street and Cotham Road KEW, BOROONDARA CITY

Municipality

BOROONDARA CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO68

HO572

Heritage Listing

Boroondara City

Statement of Significance

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The Kew War Memorial is of significance as one of the most prominent suburban war memorials in Melbourne, for its part in the history of Kew and for the successful application of the circular temple form to the acute site.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Boroondara - City of Kew Urban Conservation Study, Pru Sanderson Design Pty Ltd, 1988;
Other Names	Former Kew Post Office,
Hermes Number	22335
Property Number	

Physical Description 1

In July 1921 the prize winning design in the competition for the Kew War Memorial was announced [27]although it was not until 30 August 1925 that the opening ceremony took place [28].

The memorial has become a Kew landmark, being set at one of the major intersections on the area. Its design takes full advantage of the site, that allows a clear view of nearly all faces of the memorial. Built as a temple in the round supported on ionic columns, the purpose of the memorial is clearly expressed across the frieze which states the countries in which the war was fought. As a piece of civic architecture, the memorial is successful, while its design is also a good example of 1920s classicism.

References --

1 This date was in the file - no reference given.

2 Architects' Index, University of Melbourne

3 *ibid.*

4 Info. in file - no reference given

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