DUNKELD CEMETERY (NEW)



23474 Dunkeld Cemetery New 2283



23474 Dunkeld Cemetery New 2284



23474 Dunkeld Cemetery New Templeton 2285

Location

off Victoria Valley Road DUNKELD, Southern Grampians Shire

Municipality

SOUTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

Level of significance

Stage 2 study complete

Heritage Listing

Southern Grampians Shire

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - January 14, 2004

What is significant?

The Dunkeld New Cemetery is a ten acre allotment set on flat land overlooked by the Grampians Ranges, off the Victoria Valley Road, some 1.8 kilometers north of the township of Dunkeld. The cemetery was gazetted in about 1904, and the first burial took place in 1905. The cemetery is the second which Dunkeld has had, and early cemetery, located some distance south east of the township was used from 1854 to 1904, but was condemmed as unsuitable, due to the difficulty in digging graves on a rocky outcrop. The new cemetery has a range of burials, both large and small memorials, with very limited plantings on a few graves. The Cemetery is in very good condition, and retains a high degree of integrity.

How is it significant?

The new Dunkeld Cemetery is of historical, social and architectural significance to the township of Dunkeld and the Southern Grampians Shire.

What is significant?

The new Dunkeld Cemetery is of historical significance as an enduring record of those who have lived and died in the community, as a reflection of passing phases, ways of life and death, particular events, and as documentary evidence. It is of social significance for reflecting the customs and tastes of the community, for reflecting different religious values, and for reflecting different economic and social status. It is also important as a place of passive recreation. The new Dunkeld Cemetery is of architectural significance for its range of tombstones, memorials and iconography reflecting the aesthetics of different periods and groups within the community. It is also of interest for its overall design and position within the broader landscape.

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Study/Consultant P/L, Annabel Neylon, 2002;

Construction dates 1905,

Heritage Act Categories

Registered place,

Hermes Number 23474

Property Number

Physical Description 1

The New Dunkeld Cemetery is located approximately 1.8 kilometers north of the township of Dunkeld, on a flat piece of land which is overlooked by the Grampians ranges.

The graves are grouped in the traditional manner, according to religious denomination. The headstones record the resting place of a large number of the pioneering individuals and families of the region.

Historical Australian Themes

Theme 9: Marking the phases of life 9.7 Dying 9.7.1 Dealing with human remains 9.7.3 Remembering the dead

Usage/Former Usage

current cemetery

Integrity

Good degree of integrity

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