BUNYIP POST OFFICE



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Location

21 High Street and Lot 2 PS339358 BUNYIP, Cardinia Shire

Municipality

CARDINIA SHIRE

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO46

Heritage Listing

Cardinia Shire

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - September 26, 2006

What is significant? The Bunyip Post Office, designed by the PWD and constructed in 1925, at 21 High Street, Bunyip.

How is it significant? The Bunyip Post Office is of local historic and aesthetic significance to Cardinia Shire.

Why is it significant? Historically, the Bunyip Post Office is a significant public building in the Bunyip township and has been from the time of its opening in December 1925. It is a local landmark and is associated with Bunyip's

development as a centre for the surrounding farming district. It also illustrates the development of postal services by the Commonwealth Government after Federation. (RNE criteria A.4, D.2) Aesthetically, the Bunyip Post Office is an important contributory building within the historic Bunyip town centre precinct. (RNE criteria E.1)

Heritage Study/Consultant Cardinia - Cardinia Local Heritage Study Review, Context P/L, 2007;

Construction dates 1925,

Other Names 21 High Street,

Hermes Number 29908

Property Number

Physical Description 1

This modest inter-war weatherboard hipped roof post office resembles many of the same era built in brick or stuccoed brick (see also Nar Nar Goon, Pakenham). It has Marseilles pattern terra-cotta roof tiles, timber double-hung windows and an entry porch with simple side lights. There is a small weatherboard building with a hip tiled roof at the rear, and an earlier corrugated iron clad building further back on the lot.

The post office compares with the post office at Yarragon (which is very similar and also intact), and at Garfield (which has been altered). A similar post office at Pakenham has been demolished.

Physical Conditions

Good

Integrity

Intact

Physical Description 2

Key element - Building

Physical Description 3

Associations - Benjamin & Betty Angwin

Historical Australian Themes

National Themes

- 3.7 Establishing communications
- 4.5 Making towns to serve rural Australia

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