

MIRBOO NORTH POST OFFICE



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c.1917



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Location

100 RIDGWAY, MIRBOO NORTH, SOUTH GIPPSLAND SHIRE

Municipality

SOUTH GIPPSLAND SHIRE

Level of significance

Recommended for Heritage Overlay

Heritage Listing

South Gippsland Shire

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - December 19, 2022

What is significant?

The Mirboo Post Office, at 100 Ridgway, Mirboo North, constructed in 1915, is significant. The Federation Post Office was constructed by the Public Works Department as a transverse weatherboard gable building with a front projecting gable. The main roof extends at the rear and front to form the entry porch, which is supported by widely spaced pairs of timber posts and a weatherboard balustrade dado. The projecting gable includes a painted louvred vent at its peak, and a simplified casement window that is similar to the side windows. The entry porch contains an arched frame valance and there is a secondary projecting gable at the rear of the building. Other features of the building include an original entry door, early counter and desk on the interior.

Non-original alterations and additions are not significant.

How is it significant?

The Mirboo North Post Office of local historic and aesthetic significance to the South Gippsland Shire.

Why is it significant?

Historically, the Mirboo North Post Office is one of three Post Offices in the South Gippsland Shire constructed by the Commonwealth Government prior to World War I. This building demonstrates the influence of Federation on South Gippsland, and the importance of Mirboo North as a community centre at the time. (Criterion A) Aesthetically, the Post Office is an intact, representative example of a Federation era public building, especially one built by the Commonwealth. Additionally, this building significantly contributes to the historic character of Mirboo North. (Criterion E)

Heritage Study/Consultant	South Gippsland - South Gippsland Heritage Study, David Helms with Trevor Westmore, 2004;
Construction dates	1915, 1915, 1915,
Architect/Designer	Department Of Works, Department of Public Works,
Other Names	-, Extra, thematic,
Hermes Number	30917
Property Number	

Physical Description 1

The Post Office at 100 Ridgeway Mirboo North is a weatherboard transverse gable building with a projecting gable to the front and with the main roof extended down to form an entrance porch. The gables have paired louvred vents at their peak, but no other decoration. The front gable window, presumably similar to that at the side (a set of casements) has been replaced with a new simpler window. The low porch roof is supported by widely spaced pairs of timber posts standing on a weatherboard balustrade dado and with an arched ladder frame valance at the front. The building has its original entry doors and an early counter and desk. The residence at the rear is below wider gabled roof, projecting beyond the end of the main building at the north.

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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