MIRBOO NORTH RAILWAY STATION (FORMER)



Mirboo North Railway Station (former)

Location

RIDGWAY, MIRBOO NORTH, SOUTH GIPPSLAND SHIRE

Municipality

SOUTH GIPPSLAND SHIRE

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO97

Heritage Listing

South Gippsland Shire

Statement of Significance

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What is significant?

The former Mirboo North Railway Station, designed and constructed by the Victorian Railways c.1915, in Baromi Park, Mirboo North.

Why is it significant?

The former Mirboo North Railway Station is of local historic, aesthetic and social significance to South Gippsland

Shire.

Historically, it is the only extant building in the Shire associated with the former Morwell to Mirboo North Railway and is therefore highly significant in demonstrating the importance of the railway to the development of Mirboo North and the surrounding district. (AHC criteria - A.4, B.2 and D.2)

Aesthetically, it is a relatively intact example of the 'Gisborne' style of railway stations constructed in the early part of the 20th century. (AHC criterion - E.1)

Socially, it is locally significant for its role in the opening up of access to the region in both commercial and social terms. (AHC criterion - G.1)

Heritage South Gippsland - South Gippsland Heritage Study, David Helms with Trevor

Study/Consultant Westmore, 2004;

Construction dates 1915,

Architect/Designer Victorian Railways,

Hermes Number 30919

Property Number

Physical Description 1

The Mirboo North Railway Station complex retains the original station building, but all other elements of the former complex have been removed and the station has been converted into a child care centre. The platform has been removed and the tracks have been filled up to the platform level to provide an external play area.

The station building is single storey weatherboard building in simple Federation style with a corrugated iron roof. The building is a narrow hipped platform structure with a substantial projecting cross gable slightly off centre. The former platform is approached by a through passage against the cross gable, separating the operational section of the building from the waiting room. The through way is marked on the facade with a gabled entry canopy slightly projecting beyond the cross gable and supported on paired posts with a segmental arched valance and a battened roughcast gable end. The cross gable has a rough cast render infill, a rectangular louvred vent in the peak and a triple bay set of double hung windows. Two single chimneys have wide caps with splayed tops and chimney pots. The cantilevered steel platform verandah with mini-orb valance and the projecting platform control box are still in place.

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