

WOOREEN AVENUE OF HONOUR

Location

LEONGATHA-YARRAGON ROAD, WOORARRA EAST, SOUTH GIPPSLAND SHIRE

Municipality

SOUTH GIPPSLAND SHIRE

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO137

Heritage Listing

South Gippsland Shire

Statement of Significance

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What is significant?

The Wooreen Avenue of Honour, established in July 1918, at Leongatha-Yarragon Road, Wooreen.

Why is it significant?

The Wooreen Avenue of Honour is of local historic, social and aesthetic significance to the district of Wooreen.

Historically, it is important as one of a series of similar memorial avenues that were established throughout the Shire following the planting of the Leongatha Memorial Avenue of Honour earlier in the same year, and expresses the significant effect that the First World War had upon small rural communities. (AHC criteria - A.4 and D.2)

Socially, the Avenue is important as a memorial to local residents who served in World War 1, and together with the former Wooreen State School is an integral part of the identity of the local area. (AHC criterion - G.1)

Aesthetically, the now mature avenue enhances the Leongatha-Yarragon Road. (AHC criterion - E.1)

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| Heritage Study/Consultant | South Gippsland - South Gippsland Heritage Study, David Helms with Trevor Westmore, 2004; |
| Construction dates | 1918, |
| Hermes Number | 31039 |
| Property Number | |

Physical Description 1

The Wooreen Avenue of Honour is situated within a 100-150m long section of the Leongatha- Yarragon Road, near the former Wooreen Primary School at the corner of Wooreen-Mirboo North.

It appears that about 15-20 trees from the original planting of 35 survive on both sides of the road, and there are a number of juvenile examples that appear to have grown from seed, as well as numerous suckers.

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