HOTSPUR PUBLIC HALL



52353 Memorial Hall HOtspur 061



52353 Hotspur Hall map

Location

1787 PORTLAND-CASTERTON ROAD, HOTSPUR, GLENELG SHIRE

Municipality

GLENELG SHIRE

Level of significance

Recommended for Heritage Overlay

Heritage Listing

Glenelg Shire

Statement of Significance

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What is Significant?

The Hotspur Hall is located just off the Portland-Casterton Road, where the road bends to cross the Crawford River. The land has been reserved for public and religious purposes since the town was formally laid out in the mid nineteenth century. The hall sits between land reserved for the Church of England and the Roman Catholic Church, and is adjacent to a whole section reserved for the State School. It is likely that the earlier Mechanic's Institute Hall, constructed of timber on adjacent land was replaced by this hall. Local residents recall a small hall which was relocated to a farm for use as a woolshed shortly before the current hall was built in 1968. The present hall is a modest concrete block structure, typical of its period. The rear section consists of a single roomed rectangular hall with a low pitched gabled corrugated iron roof. Five large rectangular windows are arranged symmetrically on either side of the building. Doors are located to the rear of the hall on both sides. The front section of this structure provides a large entrance area with a room on either side, with a set of timber and glass double doors, approached by a set of three low concrete steps. The front windows are four paned timber frames, typical of the post World War Two era. An Honour Roll commemorating ex students from State School No. 1260 Hotspur who volunteered for service during World War 1 now resides in the Hotspur Hall. The hall is in very good condition and retains an excellent degree of integrity to 1968.

How is it Significant?

The Hotspur Hall is of social significance to the Shire of Glenelg.

Why is it Significant?

The Hotspur Hall is of social significance as a late public hall development that was built in response to community need. It reflects the same values of much earlier halls, and is similarly associated with important local figures who contributed to the welfare and advancement of the community. The hall is of further significance as the focus of communal activities and recreation.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Glenelg - Glenelg Shire Heritage Study Part One, Carlotta Kellaway, David Rhodes Mandy Jean, 2002; Glenelg - Glenelg Heritage Study Stage Two (a), Heritage Matters, 2006;
Construction dates	1968,
Other Names	HOTSPUR COMMUNITY HALL, HOTSPUR PUBLIC HALL, HOTSPUR HALL,
Hermes Number	52353
Property Number	

Usage/Former Usage

Continues to be used as a public hall.

Physical Description 1

The Hotspur Hall is a relatively large concrete block structure. The rear section consists of a single roomed rectangular hall with a low pitched gabled corrugated iron roof. Five large rectangular windows are arranged symmetrically on either side of the building. Doors are located to the rear of the hall on both sides. The front section of this structure provides a large entrance area with a room on either side, with a set of timber and glass double doors, approached by a set of three low concrete steps, with metal tubing handrails. The front windows are four paned timber frames, typical of the post World War Two era, probably dating from the 1960s. The Honour Roll commemorating ex students from State School No. 1260 Hotspur who volunteered for service during World War 1 now resides in the Hotspur Hall.

Physical Conditions

Very Good

Historical Australian Themes

3. Developing local, regional and national economies

3.21 Entertaining for profit

6. Educating

6.1 Forming associations, libraries, and institutes for self-education

8. Developing Australia's cultural life

- 8.5 Forming associations
- 8.5.3 Associating for mutual aid
- 8.5.4 Pursuing common leisure interests
- 8.8 Remembering the fallen
- 8.14 Living in the country and rural settlements

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