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# COMMERCIAL HOTEL



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## Location

5978 PORTLAND-CASTERTON ROAD, SANDFORD, GLENELG SHIRE

## Municipality

GLENELG SHIRE

## Level of significance

Recommended for Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Listing

Glenelg Shire

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## Statement of Significance

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What is significant?

The Commercial Hotel, a single storey timber and brick building, is located on the Casterton-Edenhope Road in the centre of the township of Sandford. The hotel is set on an unusually large allotment, which extends down to the Creek behind. Its location is also interesting, being on the intersection of the main Portland-Casterton Road and the road across the creek to "Irish Town", where a community of Irish immigrants had taken up small allotments. The hotel has been located on the same site from 1872, when it was the third hotel in the town. It is now the only surviving hotel. The hotel is in good condition, but unsympathetic alterations have reduced its integrity.

How is it significant?

The Commercial is of historical significance to the Glenelg Shire.

Why is it significant?

The Commercial Hotel is of historical significance as the only surviving hotel in the township, and as its role as an important meeting places for the community in the early stage of the town's development. It is of further historical significance for its location, sited to serve both the 'respectable' folk of Sandford, as well as those who were ostracised from the community to an extent in the early period of the township, those from "Irish Town" on the other side of the Creek.

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	1872,
Other Names	,
Hermes Number	52386
Property Number	

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## Usage/Former Usage

Hotel

## Physical Description 1

A single storey symmetrical timber building, built to the property line with a hipped main roof and two decorative gables. The gables are half timbered. All roofs are corrugated iron. There are two main entrances, both of which are ledge and brace double doors. These open directly into the building without lobbies. The interiors have been altered by the removal of some internal walls and minor details. This timber section dates from the turn of the century. A much older brick section survives at the rear of the building.

## Physical Conditions

Good

## Historical Australian Themes

3. Developing local, regional and national economies

3.12.5 Retailing foods and beverages

3.22 Lodging people

3.23 Catering for tourists

4. Building settlements, towns and cities

4.5 Making settlements to serve rural Australia

8. Developing Australia's cultural life

8.4 Eating and drinking

8.14 Living in the country and rural settlements

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