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# RAILWAY ELECTRICITY SUBSTATION



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## Location

833 HEIDELBERG-KINGLAKE ROAD HURSTBRIDGE, NILLUMBIK SHIRE

## Municipality

NILLUMBIK SHIRE

## Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO72

## Heritage Listing

Nillumbik Shire

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## Statement of Significance

Last updated on - June 1, 1992

The former Hurstbridge substation illustrates the electrification of the railway line from Eltham in 1926, the inadequacy of the mains supply then and the technology used to provide the line with its own dependable power supply in 1929. This structure is also the only example of a 1920s industrial building in the Shire of Eltham. The main street heart of Hurstbridge is characterised by its early 20th century streetscape, with the southern end being arranged about the Railway Station (openend in 1912).

BASIS OF SIGNIFICANCE:  
HISTORY  
ILLUSTRATION OF THE THEMES  
TECHNOLOGY  
ARCHITECTURE  
STREETScape

DEGREE OF SIGNIFICANCE LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE

EXTENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:  
ENTIRE BUILDING INSIDE AND OUT AND SITES TO A RADIUS OF 25 METRES

Heritage Study/Consultant Nillumbik - Shire of Eltham Heritage Study, David Bick, 1992;

Construction dates 1929,

Hermes Number 55986

Property Number

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## Historical Australian Themes

TRANSPORT

TOWNSHIP DEVELOPMENT

## Physical Description 1

Style 1920s utilitarian.

Design rare in Melbourne.

Plan rectangular.

Single storeyed originally.

Walls solid red face brick.

Roof gabled with eaves, corrugated iron clad.

Features are the simple exterior, ridge vent with its metal vertical louvres, the steel framed multi-pane windows, main door facing the railway station, and internally the steel/iron main beams from which the equipment was suspended during installation and removal

## Usage/Former Usage

Original Use: Electric Substation

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