
Lyndhurst Primary School No. 732 (Former)

Location

310 Dandenong-Hastings Road,LYNDHURST, Casey City

Municipality

CASEY CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO22

Heritage Listing

Casey City

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - March 30, 2004

What is significant?

The Lyndhurst Primary School No. 732, constructed in 1888, at 310 Dandenong-Hastings Road, Lyndhurst.

How is it significant?

The Lyndhurst Primary School No. 732 (Former) is of local historic, social and aesthetic significance to the City of Casey.

Why is it significant?

Historically, it is significant as one of four examples of nineteenth century schools in the municipality. It illustrates the improvements that were made as a result of the 1872 Education Act and demonstrates the development of the Lyndhurst community during the late nineteenth century. (AHC criteria A4, B2 and D2).

Socially, it is significant as the only public building in Lyndhurst, which provided a focus for public life in the locality and is the repository of many childhood memories. (AHC criterion G1)

Aesthetically, it is significant as a well-preserved example of a late nineteenth century brick school that illustrates advances in school design at the time. (AHC criterion E1)

Heritage Study/Consultant	Casey - Casey Heritage Study, Context Pty Ltd, 2004; Casey - Heritage of the City of Casey: Historic Sites in the former Cranbourne Shire, Graeme Butler & Associates, 1994;
Construction dates	1888,
Other Names	Lyndhurst State School No. 732,
Hermes Number	63094
Property Number	

Usage/Former Usage

School

Physical Description 1

This is a brick gabled school room, designed after the simple parish church mode of the Gothic Revival, with an attached, gabled entry porch (1888) and an added gabled weatherboard cloakroom of c1930. This now links the old school to a portable classroom of 11962. The teacher's residence which was on the adjoining block has been demolished.

Brickwork is set in an English bond with striping or coloured brick string-moulds near the sill and impost levels, and the roof is clad with corrugated iron. Original windows are as highlights but new, larger windows with cemented lintels have been added at the north and south sides. Louvred gable vents are original. The sills are basalt.

A similar but larger brick rural school design is pictured in L. Burchell's Victorian Schools (fig. 147) which shows the complete gable finials once possessed by Lyndhurst and the likely end-windows which have been replaced, being six-pane, double hung sashes. Another similar school was nearby Cranbourne Primary School SS2068 (demolished).

The spouting and roof flashing are in need of repair (leaks at ridge)), there is some diagonal cracking in the north and west elevations (cracks at a new lintel); external joinery is in need of paint; one ornamental iron wall vent has gone from the north face; and the gable finials have been truncated.

Physical Conditions

Good

Historical Australian Themes

Educating

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