

Place name Sale High School (former)	Survey Date: 4/07/2004
Other name Continuing Education Centre	Id: 1207
Street 63 to 77 Raymond Street	Last Update 4/10/2004
Locality Sale	Postcode
Official Locality	Property No 6
Local Government Area Wellington Shire	
Precinct: Precinct - Sale Town Centre	
Easting	Northing
Map	
Workshop number	Workshop votes
Field survey number	Community priority
Designer Department of Public Works	Builder
Ownership Public	Built Date 1916 Change Date

Description The former Sale High School, constructed in 1916, is a long, horizontal composition of hipped roof sections built on a sloping site with two levels of classrooms on the western side. Architectural features of note include the continuous rendered course connecting window sills around the building and matching rendered chimney caps and curved parapet walls. The terracotta tiled roof has a decorative ridge tiles and the timber framed windows are combinations of single sash and horizontal casement. A small timber building is located to one side of the western courtyard.

This Inter-war Federation style red-brick building is typical of several government schools built in this period. Grey Street Primary School in Traralgon is one such example, although now considerably altered (1).

Elms in Raymond Street contribute to the overall setting.

Condition & Integrity: The school building is intact to its original design and in good condition apart from rising damp below the damp course which has eroded sections of brickwork.

SOURCES

(1) Context Pty Ltd, 1992, City of Traralgon Heritage Study Register of the National Estate, Place ID 100607

Feature	Style	Wall Materials	Roof Materials
Main building	Queen Anne	Brick	Clay tile

Condition Good **Integrity** Intact

None apparent	
Education	Buildings

History Four acres on Crown Allotment 6, bounded by Foster, McMillan, Raymond and Desailly Streets, was acquired by the Sale Borough Council for a high school in 1916 (2). The Sale Agricultural High School had previously occupied the upstairs rooms in the Mechanics' Institute building in York Street since 1907. That school was gazetted as the first State Secondary School in Gippsland and only the third in Victoria (2).

The school attracted students from all over Gippsland, and until 1914, over half of the attending students required board in Sale. Offering an agricultural course, it had a strong emphasis on training for farmers and primary school teachers.

The Raymond Street School was opened on the 6th of August, 1916. The school continued to provide an agricultural emphasis through its curriculum but with declining support from farmers. A school farm which was located on the north west outskirts of the town, was closed in 1928. Two timber classroom wings were constructed in 1959-60 and 1962.

Fluctuating enrolments at the school reflected the history of Sale. In 1917, the school had 136 pupils enrolled. The effects of the discovery of oil and gas in Bass Strait led to a sharp increase of students in 1967 to 606 students. In 1973 the school moved from this to its present site on Guthridge Parade, a rapidly expanding area of Sale (3). The buildings were then used by the Continuing Education Centre.

SOURCES

- (1) Parish of Sale Plan.
- (2) Blake, L. J., 'Vision and Realisation', pp.1156-57.
- (3) Green, O. S., 'Sale, the Early Years and Later', pp.105-107.
- (4) Sale High School, booklet by Peter Synan; W. Tefler, (ph.443 241) can advise on symbolism of front gardens at Guthridge Parade High School.

Heritage Protections	Register	Reference	Zoning	Status
	Planning Scheme	HO90		Listed
	Register of the National Estate	100607		Listed

National Estate

Research Required

Recommendations

Fieldwork priority?

Stage 1 Ranking Assessed & protected **Stage 2 priority** No Action: Already include

Final Ranking Regional significance **Final Recommendation**

Statement of significance The former Sale High School, now used for Continuing Education purposes, is of local historic and aesthetic significance to Wellington Shire.

Historically, the former Sale High School, now used for Continuing Education purposes, is a significant part of the heritage of Sale for its associations with an important institution in the town.

Aesthetically, the building is of architectural interest as an intact example of the design philosophy of the Public Works Department in relation to schools of that inter-war period. The building has landmark importance in the streetscape and, together with the former seminary at St Anns School, forms an area of historic character as an institutional focus of Raymond Street.

(RNE criteria A.4, F.1, E.1)

Extent of designation

Informant

Notes

Follow up

Bibliography Context Pty Ltd, (1994), City of Sale Heritage Study
Context Pty Ltd, (2004), Wellington Heritage Study: Sale Review

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