

Item Details

Name
Blacktown Railway Station Signals Building

SHR/LEP/S170
LEP #I4

Address
George Street BLACKTOWN NSW 2148

Local Govt Area
Blacktown

Local Aboriginal Land Council
Unknown

Item Type	Group/Collection	Category
Built	Transport - Rail	Signal Box

All Addresses

Addresses								
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Street No	Street Name	Suburb/Town/Postcode	Local Govt. Area	LALC	Parish	County	Electorate	Address Type
	George Street	BLACKTOWN/NSW/2148	Blacktown	Unknown			Unknown	Primary Address

Significance

Statement Of Significance

The Blacktown Railway Station Signal Building is a remaining representative example of a series of post war / war time Art Deco building upgrades along the Blacktown line from Toongabbie to Mt Druitt in the early 1950's and is the only significant remaining building from the pre-1960 period at the station complex, which was re built in the early 21st century.

The Blacktown Signal Building is a highly intact and exemplar public infrastructure building built in the Art Deco Style.

Criteria a)

Historical Significance

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Criteria c)

Aesthetic/Technical Significance

The Blacktown Signal Building is a highly intact and exemplar public infrastructure building built in the art deco style.

Criteria e)

Research Potential

The Signals building has the potential to contribute to research into the development of Railway Signalling in the early electrification of the lines and throughout the post war period.

Criteria g)

Representative

The Signals building is a representative example of the post war art deco upgrade of buildings on the western line.

Integrity/Intactness

High

Owners

Records Retrieved: 0		
Organisation	Stakeholder Category	Date Ownership Updated
No Results Found		

Description

DesignerBuilder/Maker

Physical DescriptionUpdated

Blacktown Railway Station Signal Building is a face brick banded building, two storeys high. The building has a flat roof parapeted around three sides.

The form is a typical art deco form of a simple rectangle with a circular corner, terminating in a corner tower. The circular corner has steel framed circular windows with a concrete cantilever awning.

Brick work is banded in a simple horizontal relief banding marking floor levels roof height and parapet detail.
(Note Building not inspected internally).

Physical ConditionUpdated 03/04/2015

Good

Modifications And Dates

Further Comments

Current Use

Railway Infrastructure

Former Use

Railway Infrastructure

Listings

Listings

			Records Retrieved: 1		
Heritage Listing	Listing Title	Listing Number	Gazette Date	Gazzette Number	Gazzette Page
Local Environmental Plan	Blacktown Local Environmental Plan 2015	I4	7/7/2015 12:00:00 AM	430	

Procedures/Exemptions

Records Retrieved: 0					
Section of Act	Description	Title	Comments	Action Date	Outcome
No Results Found					

History

Historical Notes or ProvenanceUpdated

The railway line was first extended to Blacktown in 1860. It was extended to Rooty Hill in 1861 and to Richmond in 1864. The Main Western line was extended to Penrith in 1867 and into the mountains to Wentworth Falls in 1868.

The first Railway Station was a simple hipped roofed brick building that appears in an 1880’s photo.

The main station building was built sometime after this in the late Victorian period and was a brick and stone Victorian Neo-Georgian revival building.

The building remained in the 1970’s and was demolished sometime after that. A year 2000 upgrading of the Blacktown Railway Station resulted in the demolition of the main station building. Significant buildings remaining at that time included the Signal Building, and the Goods Shed.

The Signal Building is the only substantial building remaining to date.

A series of art deco upgrades of the Stations from Toongabbie to Mt Druitt occurred in the 1940 / 1950 period. All of these barring Mt Druitt Station remain intact.

The Signal Building at Blacktown is the most iconic of this series of buildings reflecting the importance of the station in the network.

Historic Themes

Records Retrieved: 1		
National Theme	State Theme	Local Theme
4. Settlement	Utilities	Serving the Metropolis/Regional Functions

Recommended Management

Management Summary

Management

Records Retrieved: 0

Management Category	Management Name	Date Updated
No Results Found		

Report/Study

Heritage Studies

Records Retrieved: 0

Report/Study Name	Report/Study Code	Report/Study Type	Report/Study Year	Organisation	Author
No Results Found					

Reference & Internet Links

References

Records Retrieved: 3

Type	Author	Year	Title	Link
Written	State Rail Authority	1999	Invenotry Sheet	
Photograph			Various 1885 - 1970	
Map			Various Maps and Time Lines	

Data Source

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