

Item Details

Name
St Marys Council Chambers (former)

SHR/LEP/S170
LEP #305

Address
2-6 Mamre Road ST MARYS NSW 2760

Local Govt Area
Penrith

Local Aboriginal Land Council
Unknown



Item Type	Group/Collection	Category
Built	Government and Administration	Council Chambers

All Addresses

Addresses								
Records Retrieved: 1								
Street No	Street Name	Suburb/Town/Postcode	Local Govt. Area	LALC	Parish	County	Electorate	Address Type
2-6	Mamre Road	ST MARYS/NSW/2760	Penrith	Unknown			Unknown	Primary Address

Significance

Statement Of Significance

Completed in 1934 and altered in 1965, the building is unique in St Marys for its historic and continuing community uses and tangible association with former local council and demonstrates an important phase in the development of community services in the town. Albeit sympathetically altered the building is an example of Inter-war Georgian Revival style of architecture that provides an important contribution to the diversity of the townscape.

Criteria a)

Historical Significance

The building as the former town hall and later community associated uses demonstrates an important phase in the development of community services in the town.

Criteria c)

Aesthetic/Technical Significance

The façade of the building is a good example of Inter-war Georgian Revival style of architecture sympathetically altered in the 1960s.

Criteria d)

Social/Cultural Significance

The hall continues to function for community uses.

Criteria f)

Rarity

The building is unique in St Marys for its historic and continuing community uses and tangible association with former local council.

Criteria g)

As former council chambers the building is representative of many rural and semi-rural council chambers erected around 1930.

Low

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

Designer **Builder/Maker**

The simple front façade is an example of Inter-war Georgian Revival style characterised by its near symmetrical design, cross gabled tiled roof and multi-paned (9 over 9) sash windows with decorative external timber shutters. There is a central projecting entry of three openings and open foyer with tiled floor surface and decoratively battened fibrous-cement sheeted soffit. The foyer contains a memorial bronze plaque dated 1965. The exterior masonry is a light yellowish coloured brick, which is reputed to have replaced the original red bricks. The change in brickwork was probably necessitated by the addition of one bay on north side and two bays on the south side. The sashed window pattern and shutter detail were also altered at this time and the roof changed from a hipped to gabled form. The building is set within a rectangular shaped reserve and oriented to face Sainsbury Street. The building is part of major civic centre at St. Marys with to the rear of the reserve being a number of post c.1960s civic buildings and a public car parking space. The well maintained lawn forecourt contains a pair of jacaranda trees.

Good

Major rebuilding in 1960s

Further Comments

Community hall

Council Chambers

Listings

			Records Retrieved: 3		
Heritage Listing	Listing Title	Listing Number	Gazette Date	Gazette Number	Gazette Page
Local Environmental Plan	Penrith Local Environmental Plan 2010	305	9/22/2010 12:00:00 AM		
Heritage study	Former St. Marys Council Chambers	SM-16	4/1/1987 12:00:00 AM		
Heritage study		2260305	11/1/2007 12:00:00 AM		

Procedures/Exemptions

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

History

Historical Notes or Provenance

Updated

Local government established in 1893 but the first council chambers were not built until 1933.

Historic Themes

Records Retrieved: 2		
National Theme	State Theme	Local Theme
7. Governing	Government and Administration	Municipal Government
4. Settlement	Towns, suburbs and villages	Rural villages

Recommended Management

Management Summary

Management

Records Retrieved: 0		
Management Category	Management Name	Date Updated
No Results Found		

Report/Study

Heritage Studies

Records Retrieved: 4

Report/Study Name	Report/Study Code	Report/Study Type	Report/Study Year	Organisation	Author
Penrith Heritage Study Review			2005		Pail Davies Pty Ltd
Penrith Heritage Study Review			2005		Paul Davies Pty Ltd
Penrith Heritage Study Review			2005		Paul Davies Pty. Ltd.
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Reference & Internet Links

References

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Type	Author	Year	Title	Link
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