

**Item name:** Soldiers Memorial Hall

**Location:** 17 Pitt Street Ariah Park 2665

Temora

**Address:** 17 Pitt Street

**Planning:** Southern & Western

**Suburb/nearest town:** Ariah Park 2665

**Local govt area:** Temora

**Parish:**

**State:** NSW

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**Other/former names:**

**Area/group/complex:**

**Group ID:**

**Aboriginal area:** Wiradjuri

**Curtilage/boundary:**

**Item type:** Built

**Group:** Community Facilities

**Category:** Hall Public

**Owner:**

**Admin codes:**

**Code 2:**

**Code 3:**

**Current use:**

**Former uses:**

**Assessed significance:** Local

**Endorsed significance:**

**Statement of significance:** This hall is a significant structure on Pitt St., providing a centre for district social activities as well as providing pre-school education facilities. It was built with the financial and physical support of the local people, being a practical recognition of the Ariah Park district servicemen and women. .

**Historical notes of provenance:** Plans for a hall to be built on this site, reserved for a School of Arts, were drawn up in September, 1910. The building was to be of weatherboard with a floor space 50' x 30', a stage 16' x 30', and two ante rooms 16' x 14', the walls to be 14' high. In January, 1911 a tender for its construction was accepted from Mr. J. Ryan of Beckom. The hall was to cost 475 pounds. Due to delays its completion was revised to 30th June, 1911. The hall was in good use in 1912, with the Hall Committee meeting there monthly, and already planning further improvements. In 1925, the committee chaired by Mr. Collins, with W.H. McGrath as secretary, was looking at further improvements to lighting, and the better accommodation of film projection. The supper room was completed by mid September, 1925. The evening of Easter Monday, 1952, saw all this hard work destroyed, as fire razed the building. The current (2006) building replaces the original structure which was burned down.

**Themes:** **National theme**

**State theme**

**Local theme**

7. Governing

Defence

8. Culture

Social institutions

**Designer:**

**Builder:**

**Year started:**

**Year completed:**

**Circa:** No

**Physical description:** A large community hall, of brick construction and iron roof, with a cement rendered Art Deco facade. It incorporates a kitchen, supper room, and separate toilet facilities building with a pre-school and playground / park space on the northern side.

**Physical condition level:**

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**Archaeological  
potential level:**

**Archaeological  
potential Detail:**

**Modification dates:**

**Recommended  
management:**

**Management:** Management category

**Management name**

**Further comments:**

**Criteria a):**  
[Historical  
significance]

**Criteria b):**  
[Historical  
association  
significance]

**Criteria c):**  
[Aesthetic/  
Technical  
significance]

**Criteria d):**  
[Social/Cultural  
significance]

**Criteria e):**  
[Research  
significance]

**Criteria f):**  
[Rarity]

**Criteria g):**  
[Representative]

**Intactness/Integrity:**

**References:** Author

**Title**

**Year**

**Studies:** Author

**Title**

**Number**

**Year**

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	LOT	18	8	DP	758030

**Latitude:****Longitude:****Location validity:****Spatial accuracy:****Map name:****Map scale:****AMG zone:****Easting:****Northing:****Listing:** Name**Title****Number****ListingDate**

Heritage study

Royal Australian Institute of Architects register

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