33 - RUSSELL ISLAND: St Peter's Parish Hall



Street Address	25 -27 High Street, Russell Island
GPS/RPD	Lot 1 on RP31200
Place Type	Built





Red-e-map (RCC, 2017).

St Peter's Parish Hall, Russell Island (AHS, 2017).

Condition	Good	Integrity	Good
Statutory Listings	Local Heritage Place		
Non-Statutory Listings	No current listing		
Inspection Date	24/04/2017		

Historical Context

St Peter's Parish Hall on High Street, Russell Island, was built in 1924 by J.R. Lovell and Sons.[1] Funding for the hall was secured as early as 1922 through community fundraising, which included concerts, dances and ceremonies.[2] The Church of England also assisted with funding, and local resident, Mr Fred Willes, donated half an acre of land.[3] Plans for the construction of the building were approved in 1923, which fell under the Cleveland Parish district at that time.[4] Although the building was supposed to have been built by Christmas 1923, it was not completed until Easter the following year.[5] It was constructed using timber from the island and was originally 40ft by 26ft.[6]

Physical Description

The hall is a timber framed weatherboard clad structure, high set on timber stumps with a gable corrugated iron roof. The external porch also has a gable roof. In 2012 the lower level had a partial concrete block infill and wire mesh insert between the remaining piers. A new front door and aluminum windows are in place. There are later extensions to rear and southern elevation of the building, although the general appearance and setting remains reasonably intact.

Statement of Significance

St Peter's Parish Hall is a locally significant place which embodies community value. It has served as a community venue and has been associated with the nearby church since the 1920s and is important to the local community.

Criteria AThe place is important in demonstrating the evolution or pattern of the region's history.

St Peter's Parish Hall is representative of the historical development of religious services on Russell Island and the development of the region.

Criteria GThe place has a strong or special association with a particular community or cultural group for social, cultural or spiritual reasons important to the region.

The St Peter's Parish Hall has a strong association with the local Anglican community and the wider Russell Island community.

Primary Themes

8.0 Creating Social and Cultural Institutions 8.01 Worshipping and religious institutions

References

- [1] The Brisbane Courier, 4 April 1924, p. 5.
- [2] The Daily Mail, 24 October 1923, p. 3; The Brisbane Courier, 7 December 1922, p. 10.
- [3] The Brisbane Courier, 14 April 1924, p. 17.
- [4] The Brisbane Courier, 1 September 1923, p. 16.
- [5] The Daily Mail, 24 October 1923, p. 3; The Brisbane Courier, 1 April 1924, p. 14.
- [6] The Brisbane Courier, 4 April 1924, p. 5.