

Historic Heritage Inventory



Turua Memorial Hall



Location: Cnr Hauraki Road and Matai Street, Turua

Heritage Status

Historic Places Trust Registration Number:

Historic Places Trust Category:

HDC Heritage Category: **B** - Heritage Feature. Regional or Sub-Regional Significance

Other:

Physical Description: Large gabled hall with rear extensions and a square enclosed porch on the front. Includes supper room and houses a Public Library. The hall is adjacent to Bagnall Memorial. Soldiers Memorial Plaque from church relocated inside of hall.

Other known names:

Notable features:

Style:

Materials: Timber and corrugated iron roof and cladding

Date of Construction: 1936

History: The first public hall was built in 1926. Silent pictures were shown in the hall in that same year. The hall became the centre of community life with pictures being shown twice weekly and regular dances and concerts being

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Heritage Type:

- Wahi Tapu
- Cultural Landscape
- Building
- Group of Buildings
- Structure
- Monument
- Historic Place
- Archaeological Site
- Other

Date Period:

1911-1940

Significance:

- Archaeological
- Architectural
- Cultural
- Historic
- Scientific
- Technological

Thematic Context

- Maori
- Early Settlement
- Industry
- Extraction
- Forestry
- Agriculture
- Transport
- Communication
- Commerce
- Residential
- Social/Cultural
- Civic
- Health
- Educational
- Church/yard
- Other

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held. In 1935, the hall was destroyed by fire. A new hall was built on the same site in 1936. In 1952, the hall society dissolved and the hall was sold to the Hauraki Plains County Council.

Note: the first Turua Hall was built by the Bagnalls pre 1910 near the Turua wharf.

Architect:

Designer:

Builder:

Engineer:

History of changes:

Condition: Good

Integrity: Substantially intact

Current Uses: Hall

Former Uses:

Registered owner: Hauraki District Council

Legal Description: Lot 105 DP 11534

Reference Source: Tye, R.E. (1974) *Hauraki Plains Story*. Thames Valley News Ltd, Paeroa; G. Townshend (pers comm.)

Associated Pictures: