Historic Heritage Inventory



Post Office Exchange (former), Patetonga (Telephone Exchange)



Location: Otane Road, Patetonga

Heritage Status

Historic Places Trust Registration Number:

Historic Places Trust Category:

HDC Heritage Category: C - Heritage Item. Local or Neighbourhood

Significance

Other:

Physical Description: One and half storey small timber building with shallow pitched roof and casement windows.

Other known names:

Notable features:

Heritage Status:

Style:

Materials: Timber, corrugated iron roof

Date of Construction: 1924

History: The first post office was in Scotcher's store in 1908. In 1924, a separate building was opened for the exchange and post office. It initially ran limited hours only, with Doris Holden as Postmistress. A staff of three ran the

District Plan Schedule Number: HAU062

Heritage Category: C

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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exchange. It changed to automatic in 1960. The Post Office closed in 1988 and was sold in 1989. The adjacent automatic exchange building remains.

Architect: Designer: Builder: Engineer:

History of changes:

Condition: Good

Integrity: Substantially intact

Current Uses: Telephone exchange

Former Uses: Post Office

Registered owner: Telecom New Zealand Ltd

Legal Description: Lot 1 DPS 53883

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