Heritage Property - Luseland Theatre

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Statement of Significance

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The heritage value of Luseland Theatre resides in the following character-defining elements:

- -those elements reflecting its use as a theatre, such as the raised stage and the open space used for gathering and showing films;
- -those elements that express its Spanish Revival architecture, such as the slightly projecting piers, gently-pitched roof and stucco;
- -those elements reflecting its association with the community, such as its location on its original site.