STATE OF CONNECTICUT

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HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY FORM
For Buildings and Structures

IDENTIFICATION

1. BUILDING NAME: Common: Old Long Hill School  Historic: Long Hill School; Training Center
2. TOWN/CITY: Middletown  VILLAGE: 
COUNTY: Middlesex
3. STREET & NUMBER (and/or location): 1321 Randolph Road
4. OWNER(S): City of Middletown  X PUBLIC  PRIVATE
5. USE: Present: Vacant  Historic: School
6. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: X yes  no
Interior accessible: X yes, explain:  
X no

DESCRIPTION

7. STYLE OF BUILDING: Academic Classicism
8. MATERIAL(S) (indicate use or location when appropriate):
   _x_ clapboard  _x_ asbestos siding  
   _x_ wood shingle  _x_ asphalt siding  
   _x_ board & batten  _x_ stucco  
   _x_ aluminum siding  _x_ concrete: type:  
   _x_ brick foundation (stuccoed)  
   _x_ fieldstone  _x_ cobblestone  _x_ cut stone: type:  
   _x_ other:
9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM:
   _x_ wood frame: post and beam  
   _x_ load bearing masonry  _x_ structural iron or steel  
   _x_ other:
10. ROOF: type:
    _x_ gable  _x_ flat  _x_ mansard  _x_ monitor  
    _x_ gambrel  _x_ shed  _x_ hip  _x_ round  
    _x_ material:
    _x_ wood shingle  _x_ roll asphalt  _x_ tin  
    _x_ slate  _x_ other:
    _x_ asphalt shingle  _x_ built up  _x_ tile  
    _x_ other:
11. NUMBER OF STORIES: 1½  APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS: 59'x100'
12. CONDITION: Structural: excellent  _x_ good  _x_ fair  _x_ deteriorated  
    Exterior: excellent  _x_ good  _x_ fair  _x_ deteriorated
13. INTEGRITY: Location: _x_ on original site  _x_ moved, when:  
    Alterations: _x_ no  _x_ yes, explain: Early, matching, addition to south
14. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS OR LANDSCAPE FEATURES:
    _x_ barn  _x_ shed  _x_ garage  _x_ other landscape features or buildings:
    _x_ carriage house  _x_ shop  _x_ garden
15. SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT:
    _x_ open land  _x_ woodland  _x_ residential  _x_ scattered buildings visible from site  
    _x_ commercial  _x_ industrial  _x_ rural  _x_ high building density
16. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS: The Old Long Hill School is located at the southwest corner of Randolph Road and South Main Street (Route 17), which runs southwest of Middletown. South Main Street in this area has scattered residences. A large convalescent home is directly across the street to the north; behind the school to the west are open fields.

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18. HISTORICAL OR ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE: The Long Hill School was constructed in 1917 and 1918 to provide more modern educational services to some of Middletown’s outlying school districts. Previous to the school’s construction, the Long Hill area had a number of one-room schoolhouses scattered throughout the district.

The building is a simple classical structure of one story on a high foundation. As originally built it was one-half of its present size with the main facade facing toward Randolph Road. A projecting, pedimented porch which graced this entrance has since been removed. A nearly identical addition to the south side was constructed later in the century, and doubled the size of the structure. The building is plain, yet handsome, with stuccoed walls, casement windows, an arched window over the entrance and a parapet at the roof line. Currently vacant, it remains a solid and serviceable building.

19. SOURCES: Middletown "Board of Selectman Reports" (1917 and 1918)

20. SUBSEQUENT FIELD EVALUATIONS:

21. THREATS TO BUILDING OR SITE:

- None known
- Highways
- Vandalism
- Developers
- Other: An appropriate explanation

Adaptive use has not yet been found for this structure.