

Place name Fulham Park

Survey Date:

Other name

Id:

676

Street Myrtlebank Road, Heyfield Road

Last Update

Locality Fulham

Postcode 3851

Official Locality

Property No

Local Government Area Wellington Shire

Precinct: Not in precinct

Easting 499800

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Map Kilmany 8221-1-1

Workshop number

Workshop votes

Field survey number

Community priority

Designer

Builder

Ownership Private

Built Date 1859

Change Date

Description Former Use: Pre 1859

Date Started 1859

Storeys: 2

Desc: Park

Walls: Brick

The homestead is sited on an rise above a bend in a creek and looks toward the Thompson River. The house is regularly fenestrated, with a single storey timber verandah and its single storey outbuildings form a sheltered courtyard with a beehive well. The verandah has been later adorned with network brackets of art nouveau origin. Some elms and eucalypts are the only remnants of formal plantings on the slope down to the creek. In 1991 the ruined stables were rebuilt although the attached groom's quarters were demolished.; Style: Victorian Period (1851-1901) Georgian. (Heritage Victoria Register, H331)

A most pleasantly proportioned two-storeyed house, dating from 1859, commanding a grandvista across the river to the north, with four rooms disposed as single-storey corner pavilions in a Palladian fashion and with the remains of a rear service courtyard with a charming gabled stable on axis with the house; the interior still has simple marble fireplaces, an elegant stair and a fan-light over the door, but has suffered some alteration, and the timber brackets of the north verandah are later in date. (National Trust Register, B2965).

Victorian Heritage Register Categories: Heritage place; Title Details: C/T;Vol 5913;Folio 464;To: 09/10/74

Condition

Integrity

History The pastoral run Fulham on Thomson River west of Sale was first taken up in 1841 by Peter Imlay of Twofold Bay (Eden) NSW. In October 1853 retired sea captain aptain John William Jones acquired the run and soon after, certainly before 1856, erected a Colonial Georgian style, two storey homestead of brick.

On the basis of stylistic and detail similarities the design has been tentatively attributed to Melbourne architect John Gill. (Heritage Victoria Register, H331)

The property has passed through many ownerships, none of them very long and was used by the Royal Australian Air Force during the Second World War. Fulham Park was purchased by Norman Gooch in 1944 and remained in the Gooch family ownership until 1998 when it was subdivided. (Heritage Victoria Register, H331)

Heritage Protections Register	Reference	Zoning	Status
National Trust Register	B2965		Listed
Planning Scheme	HO59		Listed

Register of the National Estate	004769	Listed
Victorian Heritage Register	H331	Listed

National Estate

Research Required

Recommendations

Fieldwork priority?

Stage 1 Ranking Assessed & protected **Stage 2 priority** No Action: Already include

Final Ranking State significance **Final Recommendation**

Statement of significance Fulham Park Homestead is of architectural and historical significance to the State of Victoria.

Fulham Park Homestead is of architectural importance as an early example of the Colonial Georgian style, a form rarely found in Victoria. The quality of the design is enhanced with distinctive and restrained joinery, with the entrance doorway and fenestration of particular note. The architectural significance of the house would be further enhanced if the connection with important Victorian architect John Gill can be established.

Fulham Park Homestead is of historical significance as the residence of one of the oldest pastoral properties in eastern Victoria. The house is important as the earliest substantial homestead building in East Gippsland and for its relatively intactness. (Heritage Victoria Register, H331)

Extent of designation To the extent of:

Informant Newman Family

Notes

Follow up

Bibliography

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