
Former Police Lock-up, 42 Longfield Street (rear of), STAWELL



SL 155 - Former Police Lock-up, rear 42 Longfield Street, STAWELL

Location

42 Longfield Street (rear of) STAWELL, NORTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

Municipality

NORTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

Level of significance

Recommended for Heritage Overlay

Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H1395

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO11

Heritage Listing

Northern Grampians Shire

Statement of Significance

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The former Police Lock-up at the rear of 42 Longfield Street, Stawell, forms part of a coherent group of government, civic and community buildings that have a high level of significance for their close associations with the foundation of the town. Built in 1860, the former Police Lock Up is largely intact, although one end is partially obscured by creeper, and the setting of the building has been compromised by the later subdivisions.

The former Police Lock-up is **architecturally** significant at a **LOCAL** level. It demonstrates original design qualities of a rudimentary mid Victorian style. These qualities include the simple gable roof form that traverses the site, together with a minor gable porch that projects to one side. Other intact qualities include the early slate roof, wide eaves, narrow horizontal window openings (with iron bars), rough faced stone lintels, sills, quoinwork, and plinth and other rough faced stone members along the longitudinal facades.

The former Police Lock-up and site are **historically** significant at a **LOCAL** level. The site is associated with the development of police administration in the local district, and a short time later in the Township of Stawell (Pleasant Creek), from 1858. The former Police Lock Up is also associated with police administration in Stawell and the Wimmera region from 1860 until 1969.

Overall, the former Police Lock-up and site are of **LOCAL** significance.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Northern Grampians - Shire of Northern Grampians - Stage 2 Heritage Study, Wendy Jacobs, Vicki Johnson, David Rowe, Phil Taylor, 2004;
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Physical Description 1

The former Police Lock-up is set along a side boundary behind a residence, the result of a subsequent subdivision of the original police reserve. It is partially obscured by a creeper at one end. The building also forms part of a coherent group of government, civic and community buildings in the centre of the original Township of Stawell at Pleasant Creek.

The single storey, rendered, rudimentary mid Victorian former Police Lock up is characterised by a simple gable roof form that traverses the site, together with a minor gable porch that projects to one side. These roof forms are clad in early slates. Wide overhangs are a feature of the eaves. The early windows are narrow horizontal openings (with iron bars) surrounded by rough faced stone lintels, sills and quoinwork. The building rests on a rough faced stone plinth. Additional rough faced stone members are situated along the longitudinal facades.

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