LEIGH CONSOLS CO

Location

BUNINYONG-MOUNT MERCER ROAD GRENVILLE, GOLDEN PLAINS SHIRE

Municipality

GOLDEN PLAINS SHIRE

Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7622-0225

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

Hermes Number 11875

Property Number

History

Contextual History: History of Place:

Heritage Inventory History of Site:

LEIGH CONSOLS GOLD MINING Co., Durham Lead,

11.1862 : first contract let for sinking shaft

23.03.1863: the Durham Lead is attracting considerable attention at this time and several new companies have commenced operating on a large scale; the Leigh Consols is working Hynes paddock and steps are being taken to secure machinery.

15.08.1865: two compartment shaft, 9 foot by 4 foot clear, down 198 feet, using a .

14 inch by 30 inch vertical beam engine for winding, a Cornish flue boiler, 12 foot by 7 foot, weighing 8 tons 7 hundredweights; plant imported by the proprietors of The Argus newspaper; also using Manilla flat rope and buckets; mine dry.

12.09.1865: machinery overhauled during gap in shaft sinking contracts;water in shaft making at 100 gallons per hour

05.12.1865: guides fixed in shaft; patent tip fixed for emptying trucks; cage and tip working well

21.08.1865: erecting puddling machinery

06.1866: mining difficult, gold obtained paid for expenses.

1867/8: idle when reported on by Etheridge and Murray.

This place/object may be included in the Victorian Heritage Register pursuant to the Heritage Act 2017. Check the Victorian Heritage Database, selecting 'Heritage Victoria' as the place source.

For further details about Heritage Overlay places, contact the relevant local council or go to Planning Schemes Online http://planningschemes.dpcd.vic.gov.au/