
Wellington Park



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Location

17 Highfield Avenue WARRANWOOD, MAROONDAH CITY

Municipality

MAROONDAH CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO29

Heritage Listing

Maroondah City

Statement of Significance

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Wellington Park (formerly Woorara) is late Victorian brick farmhouse built in 1889, but reconstructed after destruction in the 1939 bushfire. It is historically significant as marking the first freehold land in Croydon, being a Pre-emptive right Crown grant of two allocations of 320 acres (260 hectares total) in 1854. The building is significant as an early surviving farmhouse. It is also historically significant in demonstrating locally the effect of the bushfire, one of the greatest natural disasters in Australia's history. It also has some architectural significance locally as a surviving remnant of a late Victorian farmhouse.

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| Heritage Study/Consultant | Maroondah - Maroondah Heritage Identification Study, Richard Peterson with Peter Barrett, 1998; |
| Hermes Number | 146901 |
| Property Number | |

Physical Description 1

Sited on the highest point in the district, a large, single-storey brick, apparently formerly Italianate house, with a nest of hipped roofs, clad with unglazed Marseilles terra-cotta tiles. It has massive chimneys with pairs of unglazed terra-cotta pots, deep corbelled caps and cruciform relief decoration.

Intactness

Recently the entrance has been replaced with mock Victorian

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