Stone Pitched Road or Paved Yard

Location

Altona Road ALTONA, Hobsons Bay City

Municipality

HOBSONS BAY CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO41

Heritage Listing

Hobsons Bay City

Statement of Significance

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What is Significant?

The stone pitched road or paved yard and land within nominally 5m of its perimeter, constructed c.1870, adjacent to Altona Road, Altona.

How is it Significant?

The stone pitched road or paved yard is of local historic and technical significance to the City of Hobsons Bay.

Why is it Significant?

Historically, it is significant as one of the few sites that have associations with the early settlement of the Altona area as a recognisably early part of the former main access road to the Altona homestead. It illustrates the early pattern of settlement in this area. (AHC criteria A4 and H1)

Technically, it is significant as an early road or yard paving which is constructed from bluestone typically quarried in the region but laid in a form which is unusual in the City. (AHC criterion B2, E1 and F1)

Heritage Study/Consultant Hobsons Bay - Hobsons Bay Heritage Study, Hobsons Bay City Council, 2006;

Hermes Number

14968

Property Number

Physical Description 1

On the west side of Altona Road opposite the Pines Scout Camp entrance, is an approximately 100m long section of what appears to be bluestone (basalt) pitched roadway or paved area with a dressed kerb on its eastern side.

The localised nature of the paving suggests another use other than for a road, as does the lack of built-in drainage.

Integrity

External Integrity and condition

Integrity - Moderate. Condition - Fair

Physical Description 2

Context

The stone paving is located in an open landscape at the side of an asphalt paved road and next to the railway reserve, outside of The Pines entrance. It is contributory to the Altona & Laverton Foreshore Precinct.

Historical Australian Themes

Moving Goods and People by Road

Physical Description 3

Associations

Robert Wrede?, William Cherry?, Werribee Shire

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