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# Pioneer's Memorial Cairn



Pioneer Memorial Cairn - 1B  
Flinders Avenue, Lara

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## Location

1B Flinders Avenue, LARA VIC 3212 - Property No 281874

## Municipality

GREATER GEELONG CITY

## Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO1996

## Heritage Listing

Greater Geelong City

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## Statement of Significance

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LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE

What is Significant?

The Pioneers' Memorial Cairn, 1B Flinders Avenue, Lara, has significance as memorial to the pioneers of Lara. It was built to recognise the important role the pioneers played in establishing the township's farming, industrial and

commercial enterprises, and cultural organisations that continue play a role in underpinning the local identity of the area today. The Cairn also commemorates the exploration to the peak of the You Yangs in 1802. The significance of the Cairn is embodied in the physical fabric.

How is it Significant?

The Pioneers' Memorial Cairn is historically and socially significant at a LOCAL level.

Why is it Significant?

The Pioneers' Memorial Cairn at Lara is historically significant for its associations with the early pioneers of the Lara district (Criteria A & H). These pioneers established successful farms and lime burning operations from the early 1850s as well as commercial enterprises and cultural institutions. The Cairn also has associations with the bicentenary in 1977 that commemorated the expedition of Matthew Flinders to the peak of the You Yangs in 1802.

The Pioneers' Memorial Cairn at Lara is socially significant as it is recognised and valued by the community for the important contribution made by the early pioneers in establishing Lara, including its successful farms and lime burning operations, as well as commercial and cultural institutions (Criterion G). The recognition shown by the community is also identified in the prominent corner location of the Cairn at the Sixways intersection and in the official unveiling by the Minister for Water Supply, F.E. Old in 1938.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Greater Geelong - Lara Heritage Review Phase 2, D. Rowe & W. Jacobs, 2013;
Heritage Act Categories	Registered object,
Hermes Number	195337
Property Number	

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## Physical Description 1

The Memorial at 1B Flinders Avenue is situated on the north-east corner of the intersection known as Sixways. The memorial cairn is constructed of rough-faced, random rubble granite, forming a tapered, obelisk approximately 2200mm high. At the apex of the memorial is a square steel frame that supports a brass bell. The cairn is located on a stepped concrete base. There is evidence of movement in the base on the north side, in the vertical cracks.

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