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Location

32 Belmont Avenue, Upwey VIC 3158 - Property No 68689

Municipality

YARRA RANGES SHIRE

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO332

Heritage Listing

Yarra Ranges Shire

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - July 5, 2000

The Lookout as it stands today, although modified, is the only surviving example of such structures in the Dandenongs. It is an important part of the Shire's history and a significant local landmark. (Kueffer 1998) The National Trust is undertaking further investigation of this place after which the level of significance should be reviewed.

| Heritage Study/Consultant | Yarra Ranges - Shire of Yarra Ranges Heritage Study, Context Pty Ltd, 2000; |
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| Other Names | Belmont Avenue Lookout Tower, |
| Hermes Number | 115128 |
| Property Number | |

Physical Description 1

The Belmont Lookout Tower in Upwey is a timber structure, with two platform levels, located at the highest point in Upwey.

It is said to be the last of many such structures which were built throughout the Dandenongs since the turn of the century. It has provided a vantage point for visitors to enjoy the panoramic vistas, and also for fire spotting (probably one of the main reasons for the purchase by Council). The Lookout still provides extensive views, however, public access is currently prohibited as the Tower is considered unsafe due both to its disrepair and to its failure to comply with current building safety regulations. (Kueffer 1998)

Physical Conditions

Fair

Integrity

Minor Modifications

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