# **OPEN CUT, STAFFORDSHIRE REEF**

#### Location

NEWTOWN-BERRINGA ROAD STAFFORDSHIRE REEF, GOLDEN PLAINS SHIRE

### **Municipality**

GOLDEN PLAINS SHIRE

#### Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

## Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7622-0096

## **Heritage Listing**

Victorian Heritage Inventory

Hermes Number 12099

**Property Number** 

## History

Contextual History:History of Place: Heritage Inventory History of Site:

STAFFORDSHIRE REEF CO.?

09.02.1900: had to abandon operations because of heavy water and are now awaiting machinery.

13.04.1900: let a contract for further sinking having previously been abandoned at 160 feet because of the water, machinery has since been erected and sinking will resume on Monday.

15.06.1900: experimenting with the use of round timber in combating the swelling of the ground.

16.11.1900; shaft is being skidded prior to the introduction of cages.

16.08.1901: negotiating to purchase a battery.

06.12.1901: reduced the number of men underground to reduce costs until the battery is completed.

15.03.1902: battery to be completed in about 3 weeks.

28.03.1902: battery and dam nearly completed; awaiting the completion of housing and tramway before starting to crush.

10.01.1903: yield of 34 ozs 9 dwt from 397 tons; temporarily closed the main shaft.

06.02.1903: machinery and lease has been sold to a Mr. Ditchburn for £600; he intends prospecting the lode that was passed through at the 510 foot level.

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