
LODDON RIVER PLATFORM COMPLEX

Location

140 ITALIAN HILL TRACK VAUGHAN, MOUNT ALEXANDER SHIRE

Municipality

MOUNT ALEXANDER SHIRE

Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7723-1035

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

Interpretation of Site	Two of the platforms appear to be located on a historically Chinese allotment. However, site boundaries are based on those of Chinese market gardens in photographs now held at the Castlemaine Historical Society and Parks Victoria Castlemaine. Site remains can be associated with Chinese huts of the late nineteenth/early twentieth century. The huts may have been part of a market garden that supplied the wider diggings with fresh fruit and vegetables.
Hermes Number	12482
Property Number	

History

A plan of the Loddon dating to 1878 (L1 F47/2), indicates the majority of the complex was most likely part of the large allotment registered to Li Chun. By 1903, A Yong Kit (L1 F62614) made an application to occupy the same allotment, which continued to be owned by Chinese males until 1912 when it was transferred to H.J.J. Potter. It is

not clear when the land was returned to the Crown, or when the residences were abandoned; Potter used at least one of the structures that were located on top of the platform. By the 1930s, the residences no longer existed.

This place/object may be included in the Victorian Heritage Register pursuant to the Heritage Act 2017. Check the Victorian Heritage Database, selecting 'Heritage Victoria' as the place source.

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