# **WUCHATSCH FARM**

#### Location

239 HARVEST HOME ROAD EPPING, WHITTLESEA CITY

## Municipality

WHITTLESEA CITY

#### Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

### Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7922-0276

#### **Heritage Listing**

Victorian Heritage Inventory

#### Statement of Significance

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Complex is representative of continued occupation of this land by the Wucatsch family from 1853 until the 1960s. House dates to solider settlement scheme post-WWI, while walls date to earlier occupation c. 1850s. Locally significant.

Interpretation of Site

Drystone walls are part of the original complex which surrounded allotment 3 of section 9, built in the 19th-c. The southern boundary wall was erected in the early to mid 20th-c when the northern part of the allotment was purchased by SD Wuchatsch. Most of the house and sheds also date to this period. The well has been covered by a small shed but the original well probably dates to the mid-late 20th-c. Wuchatsch (1985) states that these wells were common practice in the Epping area.

Archaeological Significance

Site has potential to contain significant historical archaeological artefacts and deposits.

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#### **History**

LAND FIRST PURCAHSED BY CARL WUCHATSCH IN 1853. HE ARRIVED IN MELBOURNE IN 1850 AND WORKED AS A BULLOCK DRIVER UNTIL ACCIDENTAL DEATH IN 1856. HIS BROTHER JOHANN TOOK OVER THE PROPERTY FROM 1864-1892. RETURNED SOLDIER JD WUCHATSCH MOVED ON TO THE PROPERTY IN 1920S AND OWNED IT UNTIL 1969.

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