
RUINS, WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH

Location

VAUGHAN SPRINGS ROAD VAUGHAN, MOUNT ALEXANDER SHIRE

Municipality

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Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7723-1163

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

Interpretation of Site The ruins of the Wesleyan Methodist Church, Vaughan, reflect the early settlement of Vaughan for mining purpose and are highly archaeologically significant.

Hermes Number 13715

Property
Number

History

1854: Mr Joseph Chapman establishes an active congregation

1855: described as a weatherboard chapel (36x18ft) seating 120

1858: the property is listed as a stone church (30x18ft) seating 150. The weatherboard chapel is sold.

1860: the church received rent for the schoolhouse, until the purchase of the weatherboard building attached to the church. Construction of outhouses.

1864: additions to schoolhouse. A new church is built (35x20ft).

1865: the church property is described as 1 rood of land with a new brick church erected to hold 170 people. The stone church is now used as a schoolhouse.

1878: timber stables erected

1880: timber fence around church erected.

1921: services cease

1970s: property sold by the church

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