
POINT GELLIBRAND QUARANTINE CAMP AND CEMETERY

Location

RAILWAY TERRACE WILLIAMSTOWN, HOBSONS BAY CITY

Municipality

HOBSONS BAY CITY

Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7822-0563

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

Interpretation of Site	The area is now waste ground that has been used as a dumping ground for unwanted landfill. No sign of the cemetery was located, although it is possible that some graves may have been missed or unmarked when the re-interment process took place.
Other Names	POINT GELLIBRAND QUARANTINE CEMETERY,
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Property Number	

History

From 1839-1841, a quarantine camp and cemetery was established to house fever victims from vessels in Hobsons Bay, and in 1842, 34 people from Manlius were interred there after a fever outbreak. It was located at

end of railway terrace between the railway line and quarries, and was marked as the Williamstown Hospital Reserve in 1855. It became the unofficial cemetery for Williamstown residents and hulk prisoners until closed in 1856 when the new Williamstown Cemetery was opened in 1858. Then cemetery is still shown on a Victorian Rail Plan of 1877 (BOB LEAK COLLECTION #2). 930 bodies were re-interred when land taken over by railways and reburied at the Williamstown General Cemetery in 1898/99.

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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