

PORT FAIRY WHIM FOUNDATIONS

Location

BATTERY LANE PORT FAIRY, MOYNE SHIRE

Municipality

MOYNE SHIRE

Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7321-0096

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO221

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

Interpretation of Site	The site is spread over a 20 metre area. The main location adjacent to a dirt track comprises a set of iron square brackets fixed in the ground near 3 approximately 6 metre long iron girders. To the north east in amongst low tree cover and bluestone boulders there are timber beams, an iron rail and what appears to be the remains of a staircase or the drum of the whim.
Archaeological Significance	The archaeological significance of the site is limited to the information that it can provide on how the Moyne River Training Walls were constructed.
Historical Significance	The significance of this site/feature is associated with the construction of the Moyne River Training Walls which are significant because they are evidence of Victoria's 19th century investment in regional port infrastructure. They are significant for their historical importance to Port Fairy and the development of Victorian coastal shipping as they allowed the town to develop a port that provided important regional trade links until the Second World War.

Hermes Number 149549

Property
Number

History

The site appears to be associated with the construction of the Moyne River Training Walls, which took place between 1869 and 1874. A whim is a form of horse-drawn winch or hoist used during the 19th century.

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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