
KEMPS HOMESTEAD SITE

Location

61D ORCHARD ROAD DOREEN, WHITTLESEA CITY

Municipality

WHITTLESEA CITY

Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7922-0486

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

Interpretation of Site

Discussions with local residents familiar with the local history of the study area has been extremely helpful in learning about the history of the house. The house was probably built during the first half of this century. Between about 1936 and 1937 a large shed was transported from the Original Kemp's Homestead complex (H7922-0214) closer to the Plenty River where Kemp's Homestead stands today at Ashley Park. The shed was dragged to its present site by a team of 18 horses.

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Archaeological Significance

Remains of weatherboard farmhouse, outbuildings, ramps, brick well with above ground well top and cemented square-topped dome and bluestone structure (possibly a coolstore) are of archaeological and historical interest and have not previously been recorded in detail.

Historical Significance The Kemps Homestead Complex is of archaeological significance for its potential to demonstrate the ongoing rural and pastoral use of the land over time - particularly following the earlier occupation of the Original Kemps Homestead which also formed part of the property.

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History

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