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# HOLMES ROAD MAIN DRAIN OUTLET



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1920 Historic photograph

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## Location

THE BOULEVARD, ABERFELDIE and HOLMES ROAD, MOONEE PONDS, MOONEE VALLEY CITY

## Municipality

MOONEE VALLEY CITY

## Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO385

## Heritage Listing

Moonee Valley City

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## Statement of Significance

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### What is significant?

The Holmes Road Main Drain Outlet, constructed c.1895, and situated at the end of Holmes Road where it intersects with The Boulevard at the border of Aberfeldie and Moonee Ponds, is significant. Set into the bank of the Maribyrnong River it comprises an angled brick wall with tooled and rough hewn bluestone coping, which is buttressed by bluestone walls. The drain opening is edged in bluestone and, internally, the drain is lined with bricks. Above the drain opening are the remnants of a metal grate.

### How is it significant?

The Holmes Road Main Drain Outlet is of local historic and aesthetic significance to the City of Moonee Valley.

### Why is it significant?

It is historically significant for its associations with the development of Moonee Valley during the land boom of the late nineteenth century. It provides tangible evidence of the improvements made to drainage infrastructure, which were necessary to deal with the increased amount of storm water run-off from the expanded suburbs. The use of brick and bluestone is representative of the drainage infrastructure built prior to World War I when mass and reinforced concrete began to be used more widely. (Criteria A & D)

It is of aesthetic significance for the fine quality of the stonework and brickwork used in its construction. (Criterion E)

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Construction dates 1895,

Hermes Number 197708

Property Number

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## Physical Description 1

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