KYNETON RAILWAY STATION HOUSE SITES

Location

MOLLISON STREET KYNETON - PROPERTY NUMBER 1, MACEDON RANGES SHIRE

Municipality

MACEDON RANGES SHIRE

Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7723-1256

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

Statement of Significance

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What is significant?

An 1884 map shows two weatherboard houses and a block of brick offices to the north and west of the Kyneton Railway Station Complex. Based on the stratigraphic profile presented in the site card it is likely that the site to the north and west will be preserved. The construction date of the houses is currently unknown, however, the site has the potential to contain historical archaeological deposits and artefacts associated with the construction and occupation of the former residences and offices. The yards, gardens, outhouses, and other parts of the sites also have the potential to contain archaeological remains associated with the occupation of the place, and the operation of the Kyneton Railway Station. The concentration of houses is unique in a Railway Station context and the houses were demolished prior to 1973 so it is likely that deposits remain intact. The Kyneton Railways Station Complex is on the VHR H1602 as one of the earliest railway buildings built in Victoria (c.1857-c.1869). It was constructed in the 'Carlsruhe' style was a direct derivation of the 'English style'; a type of railway station design common in England in the 1840s and 1850s, based on classically derived planning principles and details. **How is it significant?**

The Kyneton Railway Station House sites are of local historical significance and archaeological significance. **Why is it significant?**

The Kyneton Railway Station House Sites are historically significance for their relationship with the Kyneton Railway Station and as a representation of the community in early Kyneton. The archaeological remains from the site have the potential to provide information about the occupation of the Railway Complex and the lifestyle of the station employees who lived in proximity to the station. The concentration of houses and buildings in proximity to

a railway station is considered rare, and stratigraphy indicates they are likely to be intact.

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