# **FORMER HOUSE SITE, 343 TRAMWAY ROAD**

#### Location

343 TRAMWAY ROAD HAZELWOOD NORTH, LATROBE CITY

## Municipality

LATROBE CITY

## Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

## Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H8121-0063

## **Heritage Listing**

Victorian Heritage Inventory

### Statement of Significance

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#### What is significant?

The remains of a cistern, two chimney bases and any potential subsurface archaeological features or deposits associated with the former homestead are significant. The extent of the associated structure is not currently known. The cistern has the potential to contain artefacts associated with the use of the homestead. This site is notable in that it includes the remains of two chimney bases indicating the original owner enjoyed a level of prosperity.

### How is it significant?

The Place contains visible features in a ruinous condition that require archaeological skills to interpret. There is a strong liklihood that this place contains archaeological deposits dating to the 19th century, including artefacts and additional sub-surface features .

#### Why is it significant?

The brick features and associated archaeological potential dating to no later than the 1890s are of moderate local significance as they represent the rare survival of evidence for a rural homestead in a landscape that has otherwise been heavily modified by brown coal mining and state power infrastructure.

Interpretation of Site

The circular brick feature has been interpreted as the remains of a bell cistern/well and the rectangular features as the bases of two associated chimneys. The features are the remains of a 19th century structure, a house/homestead associated with early agricultural use of land in the area.

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## **History**

SiteCard data copied on 11/07/2024:The history of the site is not known. Background research and consultation with the local historical society has not encountered any historical evidence for a structure at this location. Morwell Historical Society member David McKinnis was born on the farm. His family memory is that his grandparents bought the farm in the 1890s. The house predates the purchase and was not lived in other than unofficially by itinerants. The house was in a partially ruinous state and burnt down during major bushfires in 1944. Since then, the remains have formed part of a large open paddock used for grazing. 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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