
FORMER ESMOND STREET COMMERCIAL AND RESIDENTIAL SITE

Location

233 MAIN ROAD GOLDEN POINT, BALLARAT CITY

Municipality

BALLARAT CITY

Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7622-0537

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

Statement of Significance

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What is significant?

The site is first mapped as Allotment 39, 40, 41 and 42 of Section Q on the *1857 Revised Town Plan of Main Street*. The site comprises four structures fronting Main Road Ballarat. Timber Merchants, Tinsmiths, Hairdressers, and tentmakers are listed at the site throughout the 1850s and 1860s. The site was likely developed as a residential commercial premises throughout the later nineteenth century. The Ballarat DEM predicts approximately +2m in elevation increase from 1858.

How is it significant?

the site is of historical and archaeological significance

Why is it significant?

The site is of historical significance as the location of gold rush commercial structures. The later nineteenth century shows the development and likely expansion of the commercial and residential use of the site, likely by the Chinese community of Ballarat. The site is of archaeological significance due to its potential to contain artefacts, deposits and features that relate to the establishment of commercial operations and the exchange hotel in the gold rush, and later 19th-century activities.

Hermes Number 212304

Property Number

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