FORMER COMMERICAL AND RESIDENTIAL SITE

Location

50 MAIN ROAD BAKERY HILL, BALLARAT CITY

Municipality

BALLARAT CITY

Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7822-0519

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

Statement of Significance

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What is significant?

The site is first mapped as Allotment 24 and 25 of Section H on the 1857 Revised Town Plan of Main Street. The site was purchased by H Farley, property developer, and occupied by Ash and Dawson Carpenters and Undertakers. The 1857 plan shows two structures fronting Main Street, Ballarat, and a double cesspit on the southern boundary. The site was likely occupied by residential and commercial occupation throughout the nineteenth and early twentieth century. A modern single storey structure (likely 1960s house) is currently located on the site. The site DEM predictive modelling shows 3m-4m of fill across the site.

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 a carpenters and an undertakers during the years of the Victorian gold rush. The later nineteenth century shows the development of the site as a commercial and residential premises, showing the development of Main Street. The site was occupied by a Chinese herbalist in the 20th century. 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.

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