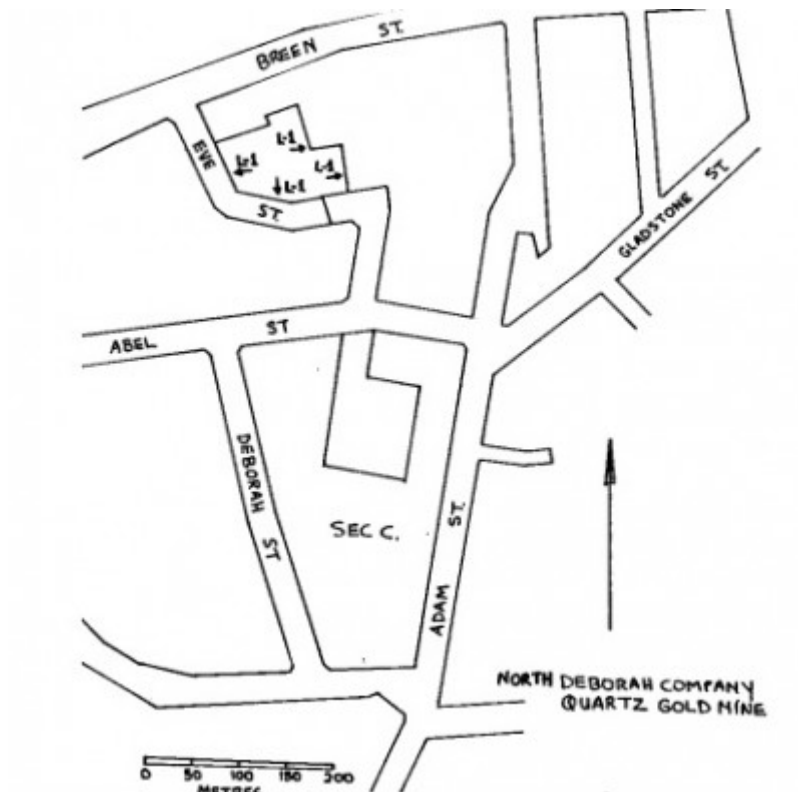


NORTH DEBORAH QUARTZ GOLD MINE



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Location

4 EVE STREET GOLDEN SQUARE, GREATER BENDIGO CITY

Municipality

GREATER BENDIGO CITY

Level of significance

Registered

Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H1353

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO435

VHR Registration

October 23, 1997

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Register

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - May 13, 1999

The North Deborah Quartz Gold Mine consists of a steel poppet head, sets of concrete engine beds, an intact brick chimney stack, and remnants of flues and boiler setting. These are relics of quartz mining carried on at the site between 1937 and the mid 1950s. This mine was the 'flagship' of the Bendigo goldfield in the late 1940s (as Bendigo historian Frank Cusack put it, 'the last in the roll-call of great Bendigo mines'. The historical remains are unique, due to the survival of the mine's steel poppet head and nearby brick chimney stack.

The North Deborah Quartz Gold Mine is of historical, archaeological and scientific importance to the State of Victoria.

The North Deborah Quartz Gold Mine is historically and scientifically important as a characteristic example of an important form of gold mining. Gold mining sites are of crucial importance for the pivotal role they have played since 1851 in the development of Victoria. As well as being a significant producer of Victoria's nineteenth century wealth, quartz mining, with its intensive reliance on machinery, played an important role in the development of Victorian manufacturing industry. The North Deborah Quartz Gold Mine is important as a manifestation of this aspect of gold mining.

The North Deborah Quartz Gold Mine is also historically significant in association with the Deborah Mine to the north, and the Central Deborah Mine to the south, as the only example in Bendigo where the once-common spectacle of poppet heads marking out the line of a reef, can still be observed.

The North Deborah Quartz Gold Mine is scientifically important due to the survival of the steel poppet head (a rare type of construction) and in having the only mining-related chimney stack remaining on the Bendigo goldfield. The site is archaeologically important for its potential to yield artefacts and evidence which will be able to provide significant information about the technological history of gold mining.

Permit Exemptions

General Exemptions:

General exemptions apply to all places and objects included in the Victorian Heritage Register (VHR). General

exemptions have been designed to allow everyday activities, maintenance and changes to your property, which don't harm its cultural heritage significance, to proceed without the need to obtain approvals under the Heritage Act 2017.

Places of worship: In some circumstances, you can alter a place of worship to accommodate religious practices without a permit, but you must **notify** the Executive Director of Heritage Victoria before you start the works or activities at least 20 business days before the works or activities are to commence.

Subdivision/consolidation: Permit exemptions exist for some subdivisions and consolidations. If the subdivision or consolidation is in accordance with a planning permit granted under Part 4 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* and the application for the planning permit was referred to the Executive Director of Heritage Victoria as a determining referral authority, a permit is not required.

Specific exemptions may also apply to your registered place or object. If applicable, these are listed below. Specific exemptions are tailored to the conservation and management needs of an individual registered place or object and set out works and activities that are exempt from the requirements of a permit. Specific exemptions prevail if they conflict with general exemptions.

Find out more about heritage permit exemptions [here](#).

Specific Exemptions:

EXEMPTIONS FROM PERMITS:

(Classes of works or activities which may be undertaken without a permit under Part 4 of the Heritage Act 1995)

No permits are required for the following classes of works provided they are carried out in accordance with the provisions of the Conservation Plan For Historic Mining Sites prepared by David Bannear in 1996.

Mineral Exploration
Fire suppression duties
Timber production
Weed and vermin control
Public safety
Rehabilitation

Construction dates 1937,

Heritage Act Categories Registered place, Registered archaeological place,

Hermes Number 5247

Property Number

Extent of Registration

1. All the land marked L1 on Diagram 608049 held by the Executive Director and including all above-ground structures; steel poppet head, concrete engine beds, brick chimney stack and remnants of flues and boiler setting; and all archaeological deposits and artefacts.

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.

For further details about Heritage Overlay places, contact the relevant local council or go to Planning Schemes Online <http://planningschemes.dpcd.vic.gov.au/>