

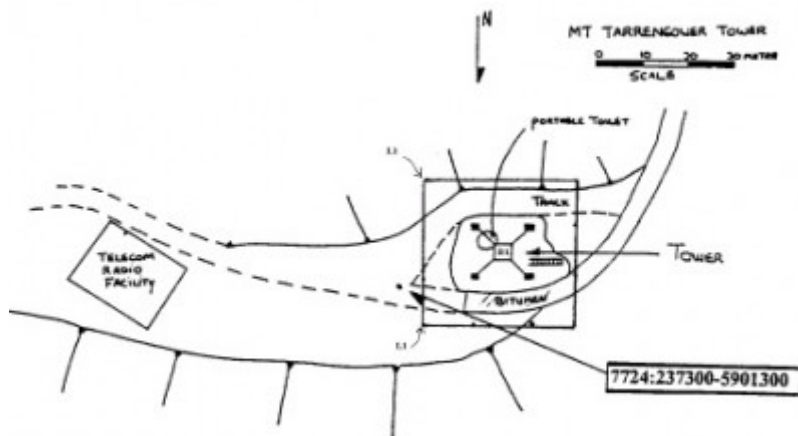
# MOUNT TARRENGOWER LOOK-OUT TOWER



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## Location

MOUNT TARRENGOWER ROAD MALDON, MOUNT ALEXANDER SHIRE

## Municipality

MOUNT ALEXANDER SHIRE

## Level of significance

Registered

## Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H1407

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO465

## VHR Registration

February 12, 1998

## Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Register

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## Statement of Significance

Last updated on - May 19, 1999

What is significant?

In May 1923 a public meeting was convened by the Maldon Shire to investigate ways to develop the natural resources of the district in order to once more bring the town into prominence as an important mining centre, and a popular tourist resort. Ideas were especially sought for attractions to cater for the increasingly popular motor car. The first tangible action was the erection of a lookout tower on the summit of Mount Tarrengower. The tower was originally the poppet legs of the Comet Mine at Bendigo. From the late 1940s the Mount Tarrengower tower has also been used as a fire spotting tower.

How is it significant?

The Mt Tarrengower tower has historical and scientific significance to the State of Victoria

Why is it significant?

The tower is historically significant as a unique artefact associated with the development of the State's fire protection system, being a notable departure from the then-standard timber fire-spotting towers. The tower's non-combustible nature has ensured its survival as the oldest surviving fire-spotting tower in the State.

The tower is scientifically significant as the last surviving type of an early form of steel poppet head construction, similar in design to the first steel poppet head erected on the Bendigo Goldfield, at the Victoria Quartz Gold Mine, in 1896.

## 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)

Painting of the poppet metal work in micaceous paint, repair of timber and metal work for safety purposes where repair replaces like with like.

(note: Permits exemptions will be reviewed upon completion of a Conservation Plan approved by the Executive Director)

Construction dates            1923,  
Heritage Act Categories    Registered place,  
Hermes Number                5382  
Property Number

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### **Extent of Registration**

#### **NOTICE OF REGISTRATION**

As Executive Director for the purpose of the Heritage Act, I give notice under Section 46 that the Victorian Heritage Register is amended in that the Heritage Register Number that the Heritage Register Number that the Heritage Register Number that the Heritage Register Number 1407 is now described in the category as a Heritage Place:

Mount Tarrangower Look-out Tower, Mount Tarrangower, Maldon, Mt Alexander Shire Council.

#### **EXTENT**

1. All of the buildings marked B-1 and all of the Crown Land contained within the Maldon Historic Reserve marked L-1 being the area within a 10 metre distance measured to the north, south, east and west of the base of Mt Tarrangower Tower located at the point with Australian Map Grid co-ordinates E237300 N5901300 on 1:100,000 map sheet number 7723, Castlemaine shown on Diagram 608090A held by the Executive Director.

Dated 5 February 1998

RAY TONKIN  
Executive Director

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*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/>*