Royal Botanic Gardens

Location

Ballarto Road, CRANBOURNE, Casey City

Municipality

CASEY CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO138

Heritage Listing

Casey City

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - June 20, 2004

What is significant? How is it significant? Why is it significant?

The Cranbourne gardens are significant within the City because of their Royal Botanic Gardens status, as a vehicle for recreational and scientific endeavours and its exemplification of indigenous landscape at the point of European settlement. Its scientific importance encompasses the five main vegetation communities which are rare within the region and a further three communities (grassy woodland, 'Melaleuca ericifolia' and the wetlands) are rare within the state.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Casey - Casey Heritage Study, Context Pty Ltd, 2004; Casey - City of Casey Heritage Study: Cranbourne, Knox, Graeme Butler & amp; Associate, 1998;
Hermes Number	63183
Property Number	

Physical Description 1

This reserve is covered with indigenous woodland, heathland and bushland and contains both remnant sand hills and wetlands. The area has a wide range of indigenous flora and fauna, providing a glimpse of the state of Westernport at European contact.

More recently recreation areas, carparks, and related structures have been developed. Entered from the Ballarto Road a long drive leads to a picnic area from which a number of tracks extend to the new native planting in the arboretum, the Trig Point and look-out and the Woodland. An MMBW pipeline and an SEC easement cross the western fringe of the reserve. The look-out allows views of the bay while on the north is a former sand mine area which has been taken over by the Cranbourne Race Course.

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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