
Upper Diamond Creek State School 2059 residence



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Location

644 HEIDELBERG-KINGLAKE ROAD WATTLE GLEN, NILLUMBIK SHIRE

Municipality

NILLUMBIK SHIRE

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO208

Heritage Listing

Nillumbik Shire

Statement of Significance

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ELTHAM STUDY STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

Of unknown origins, this weatherboard house is the oldest in this area, a significant streetscape component and is one of the very small number of houses of this standard design anywhere in the Municipality. The siting of late 19th and early 20th century buildings in this part of the Shire shows the influence of the Diamond Creek and for the latter, also the railway line. (Local significance)

REVISED STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (with AHC criteria):

The former Upper Diamond Creek SS 2059 residence is significant to the Nillumbik Shire:

- as one of the oldest houses and the oldest government built houses in the Shire (Criterion A4, 82);
- for its long association with public education in the locality and the Shire (Criterion A4);
- as one of only a small number of school residences to have survived from the 19th century (Criterion 82).

Heritage Study/Consultant	Nillumbik - Nillumbik Shire Heritage Study 2001, Graeme Butler & Assoc, 2001;
Hermes Number	64134
Property Number	

Physical Description 1

ELTHAM STUDY DESCRIPTION:

Style late Victorian.

Design standard.

Plan rectangular.

Walls timber stud construction, 'weatherboard clad.

Roof gabled with shallow eaves, corrugated iron clad. Features are the quite steep roof, timber verandah across the facade wall, and the elevated site which gives the building prominence in the roadscape.

REVISED OR EXTENDED DESCRIPTION:

In addition, the side wall window has a skillion corrugated iron clad hood, the gable apex has a roof vent (typical of government designs), and the verandah balustrade as saltire cross motif in timber. The chimney appears to have been rebuilt early in the 20th century. Landscape includes Monterey pines, a large gum and a pepper tree. In 1923 a surveyor depicted the house at one corner of a 'very hilly' 4 acre block wooded with box and stringybark; the soil was 'poor' and the formation Silurian.

Physical Conditions

Externally good (partially disturbed, well preserved)

Integrity

Externally substantially intact/some intrusions

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