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Location

Princes Highway, WINCHELSEA VIC 3241 - Property No B1304

Municipality

SURF COAST SHIRE

Level of significance

State

Heritage Listing

National Trust

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - January 9, 2006

The Barwon River Bridge at Winchelsea was erected in 1867 for the Council of the Shire of Winchelsea, replacing an earlier timber structure of 1849.

The three span arch structure was built of bluestone by James Sinclair at a cost of 4,602 pounds and officially opened by Prince Alfred, Duke of Edinburgh, on 3rd December 1867.

The Barwon River Bridge is the third structure erected at this historic crossing place and has since 1867 provided an important link with Geelong and the Western District. This finely proportioned masonry arch bridge, one of the most impressive stone structures in Victoria, has a notable association with Prince Alfred, Duke of Edinburgh, the three times royal visitor to nearby Barwon Park mansion.

The Barwon River Bridge, which is still in regular use, has recently been rehabilitated. A new reinforced concrete structure, located beside the bluestone bridge, partly relieves the heavy traffic loads.

Classified: 09/07/1959
Of State significance.

Hermes Number 69768

Property Number

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