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Cumberland Heritage List

Items identified as no longer meeting the
NSW heritage criteria for assessing
heritage significance

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As part of the review of Cumberland's Heritage List on the existing LEP Schedule 5 heritage registers for the former Auburn, Holroyd and Parramatta councils, some heritage places were identified for their potential to be de-listed as individual items of environmental heritage. In this instance, initial findings show that they have declined in value such that they no longer met the NSW heritage criteria for assessing heritage significance. The findings of this component of the study are outlined below.

Please note: these items have been identified as potential de-listings only, as identified in the public domain field survey and additional desktop research. Further research, including an interior inspection, would be required for some items prior to a final decision.

LEA'S TEMPERANCE HALL (FORMER)

Address: 24 Mary Street, Auburn

Former LEP ID & LGA: I17 (Auburn)

Site Type – Level 1: Built

Statement of Significance / Comment:

Current findings show that 24 Mary Street, Auburn is not considered to be of local or State heritage significance.

The original building, called Lea's Temperance Hall which was built in the 1890s, is now demolished. This site was the venue for the first meeting of Auburn Council in 1892 in lieu of the first Auburn Council Chambers which was not erected until 1896. Lea's Temperance Hall was built by Henry Lea in support of the Temperance movement which was popular around the world in the from the mid-1880s to WWI. The hall was also used as a boarding house and hotel until its demolition in 1922.

The hall was replaced with the current building in 1922. It appears to be of low heritage value, being a highly modified two-storey Californian bungalow apartment building. From the public domain, it appears that original features are limited to the overall form of the structure as well as leadlight windows. An interior inspection would be required to ascertain if the property holds any additional value.

Considering the substantial size of the current structures on site, the archaeological potential of the site with respect to Lea's Temperance Hall is considered to be low.

The current listing sheet, which speaks to the former Lea's Temperance Hall, is a confusing listing sheet particularly with respect to the management of the sites values. While the later structure may have some significance which warrants individual listing, this is not currently evident and would require further research.

The history and significance of the site can be celebrated through appropriate and publicly accessible heritage interpretation, such as on the footpath adjacent to the site.



CONJOINED RESIDENCES

Address: 36 and 38 Jamieson Street, Granville

Former LEP ID & LGA: I137 (Parramatta)

Site Type – Level 1: Built

Statement of Significance / Comment:

Current findings show that the terrace pair at 36 and 38 Jamieson Street is not considered to be of local or State heritage significance. While the dwelling pair relates to the concurrent purchase and development of land within Jamieson Street, the dwelling has been heavily modified to a point where significant fabric has been lost and the overall street presentation reduces the quality of the significance of the Granville Conservation Area – Civic Precinct.

Should these dwellings be de-listed, they should remain as part of the Granville Conservation Area – Civic Precinct. Future development of the dwelling should include the removal of intrusive/detracting elements with the reconstruction of heritage features to the façade.

Further research, including an interior inspection, is required to ascertain if the property is more intact than is currently evident.



WILLIAM STREET COTTAGES GROUP

Address: 10 William Street, Granville

Former LEP ID & LGA: I205 (Parramatta)

Site Type – Level 1: Built

Statement of Significance / Comment:

Extent Heritage prepared heritage advice for this property in 2018 wherein the interior of the property was accessed. The findings of the assessment were used to inform this recommendation. The cottage at 10 William Street, Granville is not considered to be of local or State heritage significance. The dwelling has been altered considerably in terms of its interior, as well as its exterior. While the cottage is listed as a weatherboard cottage, vinyl sidings have replaced the weatherboard, and changes to original fabric including to the hipped roof, front fence, verandah posts, and removal of the original chimney have contributed to a reduction in the significance of the cottage itself. The setting of the cottage as a group of three cottages including 6, 8 and 10 William Street has been compromised with the demolition of the original cottages at 6 and 8 William Street and replacement with new dwellings on both sites. The overall contribution of 10 William Street as part of a group has been compromised.



CONJOINED RESIDENCES

Address: 9-11 Woodville Road, Granville

Former LEP ID & LGA: I214 (Parramatta)

Site Type – Level 1: Built

Statement of Significance / Comment:

Current findings show that the pair of semi-detached houses at 9-11 Woodville Road, Granville are not considered to be of local or State heritage significance. While the dwellings historically relate to the development of housing in the 1880s, they have been heavily modified to a point where significant fabric and aesthetic significance has been lost. In their current form, the dwellings are not representative of their style and have low aesthetic significance as an individual item.

While the listing is connected to Woodville Road, which is a heavily urbanised but historically significant road alignment, other historic properties along the road better represent the historical development of the area.

Further research, including an interior inspection, is required to ascertain if the property is more intact than is currently evident.



Federation Period Cottage

Address: 4 Myall Street, Merrylands

Former LEP ID & LGA: I73 (Holroyd)

Site Type – Level 1: Built

Statement of Significance / Comment:

Current findings show that the Federation Period Cottage at 4 Myall Street, Merrylands is not considered to be of local or State heritage significance. While the dwelling historically relates to the development of Merrylands in the 1900s, the cottage has been extensively modified to a point where the heritage value of the property has been lost. The main impact has been the inclusion of a dominant second storey extension which has adversely altered the overall form of the dwelling, as well as changes to the fabric of the façade including the replacement of the barge board, re-design of the gable end panelling and inclusion of faux 1890s decorative timber to the front entry. The only original and visible element appears to be the front window.

Prior to these works, the property was described as follows:

The item heritage significance for its aesthetic values as a representative example of a small-scale workers cottage with simple detailing typical of the building type. This is enhanced by the intact nature of the buildings form, style and detailing.

The item is no longer a representative example of its building type, nor does it have aesthetic value.



GUILDFORD RAILWAY STATION

Address: Railway Terrace, Guildford

Former LEP ID & LGA: I43 (Holroyd)

Site Type – Level 1: Built

Statement of Significance / Comment:

Current findings show that Guildford Railway Station is not considered to be of local or State heritage significance. Guildford Railway Station, first opened in 1876, played a critical role in the early development boom of Guildford, transforming the area from a 'Tiny Village' to an area of residential expansion. Original structures included an 1876 platform and station building, a 1891 platform, the purchase of a Station Masters Residence in 1924 and a 1937 timber station building. However, all structures and remnants relating to this early station development have now been removed. The remaining structures on site date from c.1970, c.2002 and 2016-2017, and have no heritage value. The overall loss of historical fabric including all the original and early platform buildings greatly reduces the significance of the railway station.



MILLMASTER FEEDS SITE

Address: 1-7 Neil Street, Merrylands

Former LEP ID & LGA: A5 (Holroyd)

Site Type – Level 1: Archaeological Site

Statement of Significance / Comment:

Current findings show that the Millmaster Feeds Site is not considered to be of local or State heritage significance. The site was one of two mills in Merrylands and was one of the few remnants of the industrial past in the area. It represented a significant phase of industrial activity as it was located to take advantage of rail access for transportation of finished products to market. However, all structures and remnants relating to its former uses have been removed and the site is currently undergoing redevelopment. Any built features relating to its former significance are no longer present, and any archaeological potential would be considered low/nil and likely to be highly disturbed.



FEDERATION PERIOD BUNGALOW

Address: 34 Garfield Street, Wentworthville

Former LEP ID & LGA: I129 (Holroyd)

Site Type – Level 1: Built

Statement of Significance / Comment:

The Federation period bungalow (shown below) was demolished in 2016. The house has now been replaced with a modern dwelling of no heritage value.



Former dwelling, now demolished (Source: www.realestate.com.au).



FORMER SHOP AND DWELLING

Address: 15 Abbott Street, Merrylands

Former LEP ID & LGA: I312 (Holroyd)

Site Type – Level 1: Built

Statement of Significance / Comment:

The Former Shop and Dwelling (shown in the aerial below) has been demolished. The site has now been replaced with a late twentieth century dwelling of no heritage value (shown to the right).



1943 aerial image, showing the former shop and dwelling



LATE VICTORIAN COTTAGE

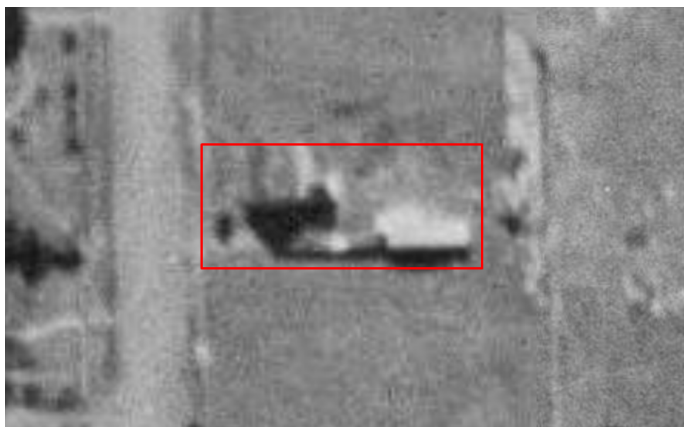
Address: 70 Jersey Road, South Wentworthville

Former LEP ID & LGA: I100 (Holroyd)

Site Type – Level 1: Built

Statement of Significance / Comment:

The Late Victorian cottage (pictured below) was demolished c.2015. The block remains empty and the extant shed does not relate to the early arrangement of the site which is visible on the 1943 aerial image of the site.



1943 aerial image, showing the subject site in red.



Former cottage, now demolished.

