

Item Details

Name
Milestones
SHR/LEP/S170
LEP #
Address
Great Western Highway PROSPECT NSW 2148
Local Govt Area
Blacktown
Local Aboriginal Land Council
Unknown

Item Type	Group/Collection	Category
Complex / Group	Transport - Land	Road Milepost/Milestone

All Addresses

Addresses								
Records Retrieved: 4								
Street No	Street Name	Suburb/Town/Postcode	Local Govt. Area	LALC	Parish	County	Electorate	Address Type
		HUNTINGWOOD/NSW/2148	Blacktown	Unknown			Unknown	Alternate Address
		MINCHINBURY/NSW/2770	Blacktown	Unknown			Unknown	Alternate Address
		MOUNT DRUITT/NSW/2770	Blacktown	Unknown			Unknown	Alternate Address
	Great Western Highway	PROSPECT/NSW/2148	Blacktown	Unknown			Unknown	Primary Address

Significance

Statement Of Significance

These obelisks mark the main highway between Sydney and Penrith and the distance to and from each. There are several located along the Great Western Highway within the City of Blacktown and adjoining Local Government Areas. They are highly significant relating to the 1818 completion of the Great Western Highway.

Criteria a)

Historical Significance

The Milestones are of State Significance as the original milestones marking the great western highway which when laid out in 1818 became the most significant road in the development of the colony of NSW beyond the Sydney Basin. While they are no longer located in their exact original location they relate to their original location, and mark the significance of the Great Western Road to the opening up of the Colony.

Criteria c)

Aesthetic/Technical Significance

The milestones are a rare remaining example of original colonial road marking techniques.

Criteria f)

Rarity

Remaining milestones located in proximity to their original locations are rare within Australia.

Integrity/Intactness

High

Owners

Records Retrieved: 0		
Organisation	Stakeholder Category	Date Ownership Updated
No Results Found		

Description

Designer Builder/Maker

Physical Description Updated
Small sandstone obelisks with notations embedded in the stone indicating distances in Roman numerals.

Physical Condition Updated 10/29/2015
Stones are being damaged by whipper snippers around base.

Modifications And Dates
Milestones may have been relocated a number of time throughout the Road widening process.

Further Comments

Current Use

Former Use

Listings

Listings

			Records Retrieved: 2		
Heritage Listing	Listing Title	Listing Number	Gazette Date	Gazette Number	Gazette Page
Local Environmental Plan	Amend No 143		4/12/2002 12:00:00 AM	72	2262
Local Environmental Plan	Milestones	29	7/7/2015 12:00:00 AM	430	

Procedures/Exemptions

Records Retrieved: 0					
Section of Act	Description	Title	Comments	Action Date	Outcome
No Results Found					

History

Historical Notes or Provenance

Updated

Prospect Hill was first explored and named in 1788 as "Bellvue". In 1804 large areas of prospect were set aside for Government Stock and a Common for the use of local settlers. The Great Western Highway commenced in 1814 and was finished by 1818.

The builder of the road was William Cox who had also built the road over the Blue Mountains.

The milestones were commissioned in 1814 from Edward Cureton who was paid to make 54 milestones for the great Western road to Penrith.

Historic Themes

Records Retrieved: 4		
National Theme	State Theme	Local Theme
7. Governing	Government and Administration	Unknown
4. Settlement	Utilities	Serving the Metropolis/Regional Functions
3. Economy	Transport	Unknown
3. Economy	Exploration	Unknown

Recommended Management

Management Summary

Management

Records Retrieved: 0		
Management Category	Management Name	Date Updated
No Results Found		

Report/Study

Heritage Studies

Records Retrieved: 2

Report/Study Name	Report/Study Code	Report/Study Type	Report/Study Year	Organisation	Author
In House Heritage Items Review			2009		Margaret Fallon
Prospect Heritage Study - Draft Final Report			2005		Terry Cass / Jackson Stepowski Planning and Robertson and Hindmarsh

Reference & Internet Links

References

Records Retrieved: 0

Type	Author	Year	Title	Link
No Results Found				

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