

Item Details

Name
Hadley Park
SHR/LEP/S170

Address
RMB 113 Castlereagh Road CASTLEREAGH NSW 2749
Local Govt Area

Penrith
Local Aboriginal Land Council
Unknown

Item Type	Group/Collection	Category
Landscape	Parks, Gardens and Trees	Urban Park

All Addresses

Addresses

Records Retrieved: 1

Street No	Street Name	Suburb/Town/Postcode	Local Govt. Area	LALC	Parish	County	Electorate	Address Type
RMB 113	Castlereagh Road	CASTLEREAGH/NSW /2749	Penrith	Unknown	Castlereagh	Cumberland	Unknown	Primary Address

Boundary Description

Shown as Heritage Item No 1 on the structure plan.

Significance

Statement Of Significance

It is difficult to overestimate the significance of this complex, still extant in its original 1803 grant, and still in a remarkably unaltered condition. As a building it is one of the earliest extant buildings in the colony; in its condition and setting it is probably unique (Penrith Lakes Scheme RES 1983:99)

Criteria a)

Historical Significance

Hadley Park is a rare example of a farmhouse from c1811-1812 and it possesses on the site a single storey outbuilding which may be an earlier cottage dating from c1806. Hadley park is the oldest example amongst a notable group of surviving farmhouses and other dwellings in the Castlereagh area, an early centre of agricultural production. The property has the ability to demonstrate its relationship to the farming of its surrounding farmland and the continuing agricultural land use of the district which survives from the late 18th century (G. Edds 1996: 6)

Criteria c)

Aesthetic/Technical Significance

The main farmhouse is aesthetically distinctive and is a landmark within the Castlereagh farming plateau. The main farmhouse is outstanding because of its integrity, its rural setting and its fabric intactness (G. Edds 1996: 6)

Criteria d)

Social/Cultural Significance

The main farmhouse in particular was built for Charles Hadley, a notable example of the second wave of settlers in the area who successfully made the transition from a subsistence to a market economy. The property has had an association with the Hadley family and its descendants from its construction until the present day, an association almost unrivalled for continuity and length of time in Australia. The farming complex, together with 'Nepean Park' adjacent, make an outstanding pair within the Castlereagh/Nepean River farming plateau. (G. Edds 1996: 6)

Criteria e)

Research Potential

The single storey outbuilding, possibly the earliest timber cottage on the site c1806, maybe the oldest timber cottage known to survive in Australia. The main farmhouse is an extremely rare surviving example of a jerkin head roof structure embodying a most unique and unusual timber structure and clad externally with brickwork. The technical excellence of the timber roof structure is paralleled by 'Elizabeth Farm' Parramatta, 'Old Government House' Parramatta and 'St. Mathgew's Anglican Church' Windsor and because of this technical excellence the building cannot be described as vernacular. The single storey outbuilding and main farmhouse's relative intactness of form, interior spaces and detailing, dating from c1806 make the building precinct a rare survival of the earliest period of colonial architecture in Australia (G. Edds 1996: 6)

Criteria f)

Rarity

The Hadley Park property containing the improvements thereon is considered to be very rare/scarce and of State significance. (G. Edds 1996: 6)

Owners

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

Description

Designer	Builder/Maker
Physical Description	Updated
Physical Condition	Updated
Modifications And Dates	
Further Comments	
Current Use	

Former Use

Listings

Listings

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Heritage Listing	Listing Title	Listing Number	Gazette Date	Gazzette Number	Gazzette Page
State Environmental Planning Policy	Sydney REP No 11 - Penrith Lakes Scheme		11/21/1986 12:00:00 AM		

Procedures/Exemptions

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

History

Historical Notes or Provenance	Updated
Conservation Plan, August 1996	
Graham Eddes	

Historic Themes

Records Retrieved: 0		
National Theme	State Theme	Local Theme
No Results Found		

Recommended Management

Management Summary

Management

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Management Category	Management Name	Date Updated
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Report/Study

Heritage Studies

Records Retrieved: 0

Report/Study Name	Report/Study Code	Report/Study Type	Report/Study Year	Organisation	Author
No Results Found					

Reference & Internet Links

References

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Type	Author	Year	Title	Link
Written	Graham Eddes	1996	Coonservation Plan	

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