
Robertson's Homestead



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Site 034 - Roberson's
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Location

Calder Highway; Sydenham Park, KEILOR VIC 3036 - Property No 34

Municipality

BRIMBANK CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO46

Heritage Listing

Brimbank City

Statement of Significance

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Of regional significance as a rare and intact bluestone homestead relating to the first phase of European occupation and pastoral economy in the Keilor -Werribee basalt plains. Also of architectural significance as a demonstrative example of the architectural style imported into the colony, predominantly by British settlers and which is reflected in the fine stonework and decorative detail with possible Scottish influence.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Brimbank - Brimbank City Council Post-contact Cultural Heritage Study, G. Vines, 2000;
Construction dates	1840,
Hermes Number	106001
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Physical Description 1

Description

Robertson's bluestone homestead is substantially intact, with its verandah and four decorated chimney stacks. Constructed in axe-cut coursed basalt with rendered chimneys, drafted margins to corners and window and door openings, and slate roof featuring narrow eaves. A concave verandah across the north facade (front entrance) appears to be at least partially reconstructed. The other farm buildings have been demolished, although evidence of foundations can be identified and the quarry which supplied stone can be seen on the edge of the river valley escarpment about 100 metres north of the homestead. Robertson's homestead is located at the end of the access road to Keilor Public Golf Course.

Physical Conditions

Condition/integrity

Good. Some alteration to the verandahs is evident and the outbuildings are 20th century.

Historical Australian Themes

3 Developing local, regional and national economies

3.5 Developing primary production

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