
HAROLD STREET DRAIN CULVERT



WatsonsBaths PortMelbourne
1864 1894 001

Location

BEACONSFIELD PARADE MIDDLE PARK, PORT PHILLIP CITY

Municipality

PORT PHILLIP CITY

Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7822-0473

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

Interpretation
of Site

The structure appears to have been used as a jetty, as indicated by the installation of handrails along its sides. It is possible that a pier was connected to the end of this structure, as several other similar structures (ie Brookes Jetty, Kerferd Road Pier, Cowderoy Street Drain Culvert and Pier) in this area have been also used for this purpose. It appears the drain outlet was actively utilised to channel stormwater runoff to scour out the areas alongside those piers, a practice that was also undertaken in Ireland.

The drain culvert appears to have been used as a jetty, and as such may have formed part of the recreational landscape of Melbourne through its use for fishing and promenading. This site may be an example of the practice of installing a jetty next to the drain outlet. The drain had the benefit of deepening the berthing area for vessels.

Other Names HAROLD ST DRAIN CULVERT PIER,

Hermes
Number 13860

Property
Number

History

A long drain outlet is shown projecting into the bay at the end of Harold St, Middle Park from 1890 to 1925, and could be a pier extension attached to the outlet pipe/ culvert.

This place/object may be included in the Victorian Heritage Register pursuant to the Heritage Act 2017. Check the Victorian Heritage Database, selecting 'Heritage Victoria' as the place source.

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