IRON PICKET FENCE

Location

99 Parker Street DUNKELD, Southern Grampians Shire

Municipality

SOUTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

Level of significance

Stage 2 study complete

Heritage Listing

Southern Grampians Shire

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - February 18, 2004

What is significant?

The iron picket fence is on the south side of Parker Street, the Glenelg Highway, between Dunlop and Sterling Streets. The gatepost piers are carved from Grampians sandstone and the gates and railing are formed in wrought iron with cast iron finials. The gates are concave at the top to accommodate the height of the piers. The cast iron finials are a standard design. The plinth of the piers and the railing is bluestone. The fence was constructed after 1865, presumably at the same time, or shortly after the residence behind was built. It is not known who the house was constructed for, but it may be a J. Browning who purchased the land on which the fence stands in 1854. The fence is in excellent condition and retains an excellent degree of integrity.

How is it significant?

The iron picket fence located on the south side of Parker Street in the centre of the township of Dunkeld is of historical and architectural significance to the township of Dunkeld and the Southern Grampians Shire.

Why is it significant?

The fence is of architectural significance as a very fine example of an iron picket fence, the best within the Southern Grampians Shire. The fine details and construction are of further architectural significance and contribute greatly to the streetscape. The fence is of historical significance as a landmark feature of Dunkeld fro over 100 years.

Heritage Study/Consultant Southern Grampians - Southern Grampians Shire Heritage Study, Timothy Hubbard P/L, Annabel Neylon, 2002;

Construction dates 1865,

Heritage Act Categories

Registered place,

Hermes Number

23551

Property Number

Physical Conditions

The fence is in excellent condition.

Physical Description 1

The fence and gates in Parker Street, Dunkeld is particularly fine and well detailed. The gatepost piers are carved from Grampians sandstone and the gates and railing are formed in wrought iron with cast iron finials. The gates are concave at the top to accommodate the height of the piers. The cast iron finials are a standard design. The plinth of the piers and the railing is bluestone.

Historical Australian Themes

Theme 4: Building settlements, towns and cities 4.5 Making settlements to serve rural Australia

Usage/Former Usage

Fence

Integrity

Excellent degree of integrity.

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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