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# RAIL OVERBRIDGE (BLOOMFIELD ROAD)



Bloomfield Road Rail  
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## Location

BLOOMFIELD ROAD, ASCOT VALE, MOONEE VALLEY CITY

## Municipality

MOONEE VALLEY CITY

## Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO163

## Heritage Listing

Moonee Valley City

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## Statement of Significance

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The rail overbridge at Bloomfield Road, Ascot Vale, was built in part by R. Dixon under contract to the Victorian Railways Department in 1870-71 and completed following duplication of the line. It is historically important (Criterion A) to the extent that it demonstrates a part of the Government's improvement works undertaken following acquisition of the Melbourne and Essendon Railway Co's assets and is representative of other similar works undertaken by the Government following the acquisition of railways that had been privately built, including the bridge re-construction works on the Brighton Beach and Geelong lines. The importance of this bridge is

enhanced by its intact state which includes early metal girders.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Moonee Valley - City of Moonee Valley Heritage Study, Andrew Ward, 1998;
Construction dates	1870,
Other Names	Railway bridge,
Hermes Number	23869
Property Number	

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## Physical Description 1

A skewed metal girder rail overbridge on part bluestone and part brick abutments with retaining walls dropping to pillared terminations at the base of the embankment faces. The masonry is axe finished and there are copings with tooled margins. The later brick portions of the work are presumably associated with the duplication of the line.

## Historical Australian Themes

### 3.7.3.1. Building and maintaining railways.

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