
RAGLAN HOTEL (FORMER)



Raglan Hotel (former), 106 High Street Axedale



Raglan Hotel Stables



Rear of Raglan Hotel

Location

106 HIGH STREET, AND 26 RAGLAN PLACE EAST, AXEDALE - PROPERTY NUMBERS 198149, 214486, 214487, GREATER BENDIGO CITY

Municipality

GREATER BENDIGO CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO57

Heritage Listing

Greater Bendigo City

Statement of Significance

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What is significant?

The former Raglan Hotel site, including all the fabric of 1856 bluestone building with sandstone quoining and window dressings, enclosed garden with sandstone walls and the bluestone stable, is significant. The verandah is not significant.

How is it significant?

The former Raglan Hotel is of local historic and architectural significance to the City of Greater Bendigo.

Why is it significant?

The former Raglan Hotel is historically significant as a nineteenth century hotel built in a country town during the early gold rush era. As one of the first hotels built in the fledgling township of Axedale, the former Raglan Hotel is historically important as for its association with naming of the former Hotel after Lord Raglan is also important for its association with Crimean War. It is also historically important for its ability to demonstrate the tensions between the Catholic and Protestant communities. The bullet holes extant in the fabric of the former Hotel, are supposedly the remnants of the ongoing feud. The many changes in ownership and publicans may reflect changes in social circumstances or financial inability to improve their facilities. *Criterion A*

The former Raglan Hotel is a relatively unaltered bluestone building with decorative sandstone window dressings. The unusual hipped and gable roof adds to its architectural [aesthetic] significance. Although the verandah is an addition, the roofline and facade form an important streetscape element. It is located opposite the Axedale Tavern and the two hotels form an important component of the township. *Criterion D*

The former Raglan Hotel is socially significant as an example of the social traditions of a mining and farming community, providing a meeting place and also accommodation for travellers. *Criterion G*

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| Heritage Study/Consultant | Greater Bendigo - Former Shires of Mclvor and Strathfieldsaye Heritage Study, Context P/L, 2008; |
| Construction dates | 1856, |
| Other Names | Stables, |
| Hermes Number | 32580 |
| Property Number | |

Historical Australian Themes

6 Building towns, cities and the garden state

6.5 Living in country towns

Physical Conditions

Good

Integrity

Altered

Physical Description 1

The Raglan Hotel is located on the Mclvor Highway opposite the Axedale Hotel. It is designed in a vernacular style and the wide gable roof appears to allow enough height for attic rooms. This building form is typical of some early hotels that provided accommodation upstairs. The roof form is somewhat atypical as there is a gable end and a hip end. It is unclear whether it was designed this way or whether it is an alteration. The hotel is built from a combination of bluestone walling and sandstone quoining and window dressings. The hotel extends at the rear

along a side street in a hip roofed wing. The hotel has undergone some alterations including the addition of a return verandah with a bull-nosed profile. Other alterations include painting of the stone at the rear. There are sandstone walls enclosing a garden and a separate stable built of bluestone at rear of the site. This building has a circular window to the street with a brick window moulding.

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