
POLICE STATION (FORMER)



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194212_Strathfieldsaye_Blucher
Street_012_img02



194212_Strathfieldsaye_Blucher
Street_012_img04



194212_Strathfieldsaye_Blucher
Street_012_img05

Location

12 BLUCHER STREET, STRATHFIELDSAYE - PROPERTY NUMBER 194212, GREATER BENDIGO CITY

Municipality

GREATER BENDIGO CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO830

Heritage Listing

Greater Bendigo City

Statement of Significance

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What is significant?

The former Strathfieldsaye Police Station, including all the fabric of 1863 red brick building and red brick stables at the rear, is significant. The recently constructed house is not significant.

How is it significant?

The former Strathfieldsaye Police Station is of local historical and architectural significance to the City of Greater Bendigo.

Why is it significant?

The former Strathfieldsaye Police Station opened in 1863 and is historically significant for its association with Edward Stubber, first Constable stationed at Strathfieldsaye and later Shire Councillor in 1870, and also with Mounted Constable Teague and his family, who resided at the station from 1890 to 1912. Following Teague's departure, the station at Strathfieldsaye was closed and has since been used as a private residence occupied firstly by Thomas Hargreaves. The stables are also of historic importance as they are representative of a time of a mounted police force in Victoria. The former police buildings demonstrate Strathfieldsaye as separate town with its own services before becoming part of the urban area of Bendigo. *Criterion A*

The former Strathfieldsaye Police Station and stables, designed by the Public Works Department are architecturally significant. The double fronted red brick building features the characteristic fine detailing to gable roofs, chimneys and verandahs of the period. While the slate roofing may be of more recent origin, the paired timber posts to the verandah are of particular interest. The building formerly used as a stable or lock-up is built in a matching style with red brick and a slate roof. It has a loft above and has recently been repaired. The site also contains a contemporary house but this is not of interest. *Criterion D*

Heritage Study/Consultant	Greater Bendigo - Former Shires of Mclvor and Strathfieldsaye Heritage Study, Context P/L, 2008;
Construction dates	1863,
Architect/Designer	Public Works Department,
Other Names	Stables,
Hermes Number	33132
Property Number	

Physical Description 1

The former Police Station is located near the creek in a on a lightly timbered allotment. A new subdivision for residential housing is located adjacent. The site on which the former police station at Strathfieldsaye is situated also contains a brick stables that may have been used as a lock-up. A contemporary house has been constructed behind these buildings but this is not of interest. The police station and stables are designed by the Public Works Department and feature the characteristic fine detailing to roofs, chimneys and verandahs that characterises many public buildings of this period. The police station is a double fronted house with gable roof in slate, and paired timber posts to the verandah. The gable overhangs the end walls and the eaves are neatly detailed. The verandah has also been clad in slate although this may be a recent change in material as the slope is too flat for slate. Corrugated iron was generally used for verandahs. The stable is built in matching style in red brick and a slate roof. It has a loft above and has recently been repaired.

Integrity

High

Historical Australian Themes

7 Governing Victoria

7.3 Maintaining law and order

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