Grasmere

Location

27 Inglis Road, BERWICK, Casey City

Municipality

CASEY CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO93

Heritage Listing

Casey City

Statement of Significance

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Grasmere has high local significance as an example of the dairy farms on large allotments built for Berwick pioneer families. The farm homestead is built around an early c1856 section made from handmade bricks laid on boulders and has a number of intact outbuildings including an old 1920s milking shed, pre-1920s stables, brick creamery and a large well. Grasmere has associations with two district pioneers, J. Inglis, the namer of the property and its first owner, and the Hon. James Buchanan, MLC, the second owner. His descendants, the Beaumonts, still own the property.

Heritage Casey - Casey Heritage Study, Context Pty Ltd, 2004; Casey - Heritage of the City of

Study/Consultant Berwick, Context Pty Ltd, 1993;

Hermes Number 62923

Property Number

Physical Description 1

Today, Grasmere still has its original 287 acres, except for two acres taken out, the site of Louise Reeve's property. Louise is a Buchanan descendant. (1) The house, however, has undergone some changes. The oldest 1850s section remains with later 1880s additions. The verandah is a later addition and the building has been extended, rendered and the roof reclad. A storm at one time blew off the roof causing damage to internal fabric.(2) Run as a dairy farm for many years, a number of intact outbuildings remain including an old 1920s milking shed, pre-1920s stables with handmade bricks forming the floor, brick creamery and a large well. There are also some 1950s milking sheds. A Golden Oak on the property appears to be a rare specimen.

Sources

- 1. Information supplied by Louise Reeve.
- 2. Information supplied by Louise Reeve.

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