
Churchill National Park

Location

Churchill Park Drive,LYSTERFIELD, Casey City

Municipality

CASEY CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO145

Heritage Listing

Casey City

Statement of Significance

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The Churchill National Park has regional historical significance as part of the historic Dandenong Police Paddock. Remaining evidence of this police usage (as in the north boundary dam) are of particular importance and the native forest setting allows interpretation of the former use and the earlier state of the reserve and the surrounding land.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Casey - Casey Heritage Study, Context Pty Ltd, 2004; Casey - City of Casey Heritage Study: Cranbourne, Knox, Graeme Butler & Associate, 1998;
Other Names	Part Dandenong Police Paddocks (Former),
Hermes Number	63186
Property Number	

Physical Description 1

This place is culturally significant because of its role as the former Dandenong Police Paddock, its National Park status, as well as for the combined historical worth of its components (see other listings) as a precinct. The park extends from the aptly named Police Road on the north, the line of Mossgiel Park Drive on the east, and Churchill Park Drive on the south and west. Most of the area is covered with native forest but a number of artefacts are distributed across it, including the nineteenth century Public Works Department dam on the north, another dam nearby, the two old stone quarries and associated artefacts on the south-east, the Shire quarry on the north, the former aqueduct channel (and subsidiary channels) running west to east, and the associated former siphon (off Syphon Track). There is also the former State Electricity Commission easement and high-tension power lines and towers which runs from west to east. There is a recent picnic area west of the entry, a network of walking, access and service tracks, and the old Police Paddocks Reserve is across Churchill Park Drive on the south. Although native forest dominates there is evidence of its former grazing role in the extensive areas of exotic grasses around Bayview Track. Granite outcrops add a picturesque quality to the park.

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