
Williamstown Botanic Gardens

Location

Osborne Street, WILLIAMSTOWN VIC 3016 - Property No G13046

Municipality

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Level of significance

State

Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H1803

Heritage Listing

National Trust

Statement of Significance

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Williamstown Botanic Gardens, reserved in 1856, laid out by 1860, and largely rejuvenated c.1900-20, is significant:

- as one of the earliest botanic gardens in Victoria;
- for the sophistication shown by local designer William Bull in its layout; - for the retention of a substantial portion of its original layout and several early tree plantings, especially the pinetum;
- for the survival of significant vegetation, landscape elements and structures from the period c.1900-20, largely reflecting the influence of curator Thake;
- for its collection of plants, characteristic of Victorian and Edwardian gardens as well as representative of more specialised plant groups befitting the scientific role of a botanic garden;
- for the manner in which the division of the garden reflects the local environment: the northern pleasure ground complements the surrounding residential development and the southern pinetum provides a barrier from the windswept coastline.

Classified: 26/09/1990

Hermes Number 70217

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