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Location

off Kanes Bridge Yarra Bend Road, YARRA BEND, City of Yarra

Municipality

YARRA CITY

Level of significance

Incl in HO area indiv sig

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO305

Heritage Listing

Yarra City

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - January 1, 2008

The following wording is from the Allom and Lovell Building Citation, 1998 for the property. Please note that this is a "Building Citation", not a "Statement of Significance". For further information refer to the Building Citation held by the City of Yarra.

History:

In 1928 a footbridge was erected to link Kew with the public golf course across the Yarra. The total cost of construction came to ?250 and the bridge became known as Kane's Bridge. During the 1934 floods the bridge was washed downstream, and was subsequently rebuilt.

The present form of the bridge resembles the earlier bridge which crossed from the Yarra Bend Asylum to Kew, further upstream.

Description:

Kane's Bridge is a pedestrian single-span suspension bridge over the Yarra River, connecting Studley Park with Yarra Bend Park. The suspension towers on either side are timber trestles, constructed of undressed log posts. The deck is suspended from steel tensioned cables hung from the towers, and has timber cross-patterned balustrading.

Significance:

Kane's Bridge, Fairfield is of local architectural significance and local historical interest. The bridge was constructed to serve the recreational needs of the public, and is part of a long standing tradition of such activities. Kane's bridge is one of three suspension bridges crossing the Yarra River, the others being the Odyssey House Suspension Bridge, also a pedestrian bridge, constructed in 1955, and the Westgate Bridge, constructed in the 1970s. The bridge is a picturesque element in the Park.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Yarra - Northcote Urban Conservation Study, Graeme Butler & Associates, 1982; Yarra - City of Yarra Heritage Review, Allom Lovell & Associates, 1998; Yarra - City of Yarra Review of Heritage Overlay Areas, Graeme Butler & Associates, 2007;
Construction dates	1928, 1934,
Hermes Number	96873
Property Number	

Physical Description 2

Rebuilt over time

Physical Description 1

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Integrity

Fair

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