

# HERITAGE PLACE

**NAME OF PLACE:** 'WILLOWBANK'

**ADDRESS/LOCATION OF PLACE:** 704 Loch-Wonthaggi Road KROWERA

**STUDY NUMBER:** 343

**HERITAGE OVERLAY NUMBER:** HO111

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**LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA:** Bass Coast Shire

**PARISH:** PARISH OF JUMBUNNA

**SIGNIFICANCE RATING:** Local



'Willowbank', 704 Loch-Wonthaggi Road, Krowera.

**Image Date:**

**EXTENT OF LISTING:**

From the front boundary and nominally 20 metres all around house.

**'WILLOWBANK'**

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HPD Number 194

HI Number

VHR Number

Other Names/s

Precinct

Group Number

Extra Files

Location 704 Loch-Wonthaggi Road KROWERA

PARISH OF JUMBUNNA

COUNTY OF MORNINGTON

Planning Authority

Ward Leadbeater

Access Description

Map Number

0

Map Scale 1:100000

Latitude

Longitude

UMG Zone

Easting

Northing

Location Validity

Spatial Accuracy

Extent of Listing

From the front boundary and nominally 20 metres all around house.

Published Extent of Listing

Significance Local

Statement of Significance

'Willowbank', at 704 Loch-Wonthaggi Road, is of local historic and aesthetic significance. The site is of historic significance as a property associated with the first leaseholder in Krowera, Donald McPherson. The third house on the site, it is demonstrative of the aspirations and increasing means of the early settlers in the area. The farmhouse is of aesthetic significance as a largely intact example of an inter-War bungalow constructed in a rural setting, and provides evidence of a later phase of Krowera's settlement.

Gazettal Details

Permit Exemptions

Exemptions Policy

Assessment Against Criteria

A.4 Importance for association with events, developments or cultural phases which have had a significant role in the human occupation and evolution of the nation, State, region or community.

AHC H.1 Importance for close associations with individuals whose activities have been significant within the history of the nation, State or region. E.1 Importance for a community for aesthetic characteristics held in high esteem or otherwise valued by the community.

Date Assessed 13/08/2004 Assessed By F Woodhouse

Comparisons

Rare Assessment

Intact Assessment

Include in VHR  Include in RNE  Include in Local Planning Scheme   No Recommendations for Inclusions

Recommended Management

The rear pergola, sheds and outbuildings may be altered or demolished as required.

Heritage Act Categories

Heritage Item Groups

Heritage Item Categories

Title Details

Physical Description

'Willowbank' is a single-storey weatherboard inter-War farmhouse with a hipped and gabled corrugated galvanised steel roof and return verandah. The roof is penetrated by tall red-brick chimneys and features exposed rafters at the eaves. The gabled bays have strapped fibro-cement infill and contain paired timber-framed double-hung sash windows. There is a modern steel and timber framed pergola at the rear of the house and glazed infill to the verandah.

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Physical Condition and/or Archaeological Potential

Good

Usage Residence.

Associated People

Donald McPherson

Historical Notes

Donald McPherson was the first selector in Krowera, his application for land at Crown Allotment 45 was dated 6 May 1878. The McPhersons leased the property until a Crown Grant was applied for and granted in 1882. When McPherson died, the property passed to his wife, Mary McPherson on 13 February 1885. Improvements to that date included a log hut with a shingle roof. The property was sold to the O'Rourke family in 1885, who constructed a more substantial house of split timber palings with a sheet iron roof. In 1898 the property was sold to Edward Stanlake of Lang Lang. The original house was destroyed by fire and the existing house built 1933.

Historic Themes

Thematic Environmental History

10.0 Primary Production: Agriculture in the hilly hinterland of the Bass Coast Shire has traditionally been characterised by dairy and beef cattle grazing, and it continues today. The early selectors chose these hills and valleys for the production of sheep for wool, dairy cattle for milk and cheese, and beef cattle for meat.

Listings

References

Author	Title	Year	ShelfLocation
Department of Lands and Survey	Parish Plan of Jumbunna		
Joseph White	Krowera: The History of its Early Selectors and their Selections	1869	

Conservation Plans

Owner Type

Section 32 Recommendation

Owners/Occupants/Managers

Notes

Application Detail

Adviser Comments

Planning Scheme Amendments

Overlay Controls

Planning Scheme Schedule

External Paint Controls?	No	Included in Vic Heritage Register?	No
Internal Alteration Controls?	No	Prohibited uses may be permitted?	Yes
Tree Controls?	No	Name of incorporated plan	No
Outbuildings/fences not exempt?	No	Aboriginal Heritage Place?	No