

Victorian Heritage Database Report **Belmont Lookout Tower**



Location:

32 Belmont Avenue, Upwey VIC 3158 - Property No 68689

Heritage Status / Level of Significance:

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number:

Listing Authority: HI

Heritage Overlay Number: HO332

Statement of Significance:

The Lookout as it stands today, although modified, is the only surviving example of such structures in the Dandenongs. It is an important part of the Shire's history and a significant local landmark. (Kueffer 1998) The National Trust is undertaking further investigation of this place after which the level of significance should be reviewed.

Description

The Belmont Lookout Tower in Upwey is a timber structure, with two platform levels, located at the highest point in Upwey.

It is said to be the last of many such structures which were built throughout the Dandenongs since the turn of the century. It has provided a vantage point for visitors to enjoy the panoramic vistas, and also for fire spotting (probably one of the main reasons for the purchase by Council). The Lookout still provides extensive views, however, public access is currently prohibited as the Tower is considered unsafe due both to its disrepair and to its failure to comply with current building safety regulations. (Kueffer 1998)

Fair

Minor Modifications

Heritage Study / Consultant	Yarra Ranges - Shire of Yarra Ranges Heritage Study, Context Pty Ltd, 2000
Construction Date Range	
Architect / Designer	
Municipality	YARRA RANGES SHIRE
Other names	
Hermes number	115128
Property number	68689

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