

Victorian Heritage Database Report

WINCHELSEA BRIDGE



Location:

OVER BARWON RIVER, PRINCES HIGHWAY WINCHELSEA, SURF COAST SHIRE

Heritage Status / Level of Significance:

Registered

Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number: H1456

Listing Authority: VHR

Heritage Overlay Number: HO18

Statement of Significance:

The Barwon River Bridge at Winchelsea was erected in 1867 for the Council of the Shire of Winchelsea, replacing an earlier timber structure of 1849. The three span arch structure was built of bluestone by James Sinclair at a cost of £4,602 and officially opened by Prince Alfred, Duke of Edinburgh, on 3rd December 1867.

The Barwon River Bridge is the third structure erected at this historic crossing place and has since 1867 provided an important link with Geelong and the Western District. This finely proportioned masonry arch bridge, one of the most impressive stone structures in Victoria, has a notable association with Prince Alfred, Duke of Edinburgh, the three times royal visitor to nearby 'Barwon Park' mansion.

The Barwon River Bridge is no longer used for vehicular traffic having been replaced by a modern concrete bridge.

Heritage Study / Consultant	
Construction Date Range	1867 -
Architect / Designer	Moran, AT
Municipality	SURF COAST SHIRE
Other names	
Hermes number	1232
Property number	

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