

Victorian Heritage Database Report
Iron Road Bridge Over Leigh River



Location:

Shelford - Bannockburn Road, and Bannockburn-Rokewood Road SHELFORD, Golden Plains Shire

Heritage Status / Level of Significance:

Registered

Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number: H1452

Listing Authority: VHR

Heritage Overlay Number: HO13

Precinct:

Shelford Precinct

Statement of Significance:

National Estate Register:

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(The Commission is in the process of developing and/or upgrading official statements for places listed prior to 1991. The above data was mainly provided by the nominator and has not yet been revised by the Commission.

Taken from Victorian Heritag Register -

Source: Register of the National Estate

Building Citation

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Of state importance.

National Trust:

Some places were classified by the National Trust in the early years without a citation being prepared. These are being gradually reviewed and citations are being prepared. Please contact the National Trust for more information regarding the significance of this place.

Class: State

Description

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Integrity: Condition and Integrity:

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Heritage Study / Consultant	Golden Plains - Golden Plains Shire Heritage Study Phase 1, Lorraine Huddle P/L, 2003
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Construction Date Range	
Architect / Designer	Wilson, RG
Municipality	GOLDEN PLAINS SHIRE
Other names	
Hermes number	23711
Property number	

This place/object may also be State heritage listed. Check the Victorian Heritage Database. For further details, contact the local Council or go to Planning Schemes Online