

Victorian Heritage Database Report

LITTLE RIVER RAILWAY STATION AND GOODS YARD



Location:

19-27 RIVER STREET LITTLE RIVER, WYNDHAM CITY

Heritage Status / Level of Significance:

Registered

Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number: H1572

Listing Authority: VHR

Heritage Overlay Number: HO91

Statement of Significance:

What is significant?

The Little River Station and Goods Shed was built in 1864 by Samuel Amess on the Geelong-Melbourne line, for the Victorian Railways architects. It comprises a basalt station building, asymmetrically composed, with decorated bargeboard to the gables and a decorative timber platform

verandah. Other structures include a basalt lamproom/toilet block and a rusticated goods shed featuring a trabeated decorative system, pedimented gables and rum through. Several features of note include the basement holding cells and the Victorian Railways plaques to the end of the gables. The former signal box, van goods shed and toilet block have been removed. While the station platform is still in use, the station buildings are currently closed.

How is it significant?

The Little River Railway Station is historically and architecturally significant to the State of Victoria.

Why is it significant?

Little River Railway Station and Goods Shed are historically significant as a rare example of buildings erected during the initial phase of railway building in the colony. Constructed in 1864 of a unique design, the Little River Railway Station was one of the earliest station buildings to be built in Victoria. Built during the period of the 'main trunk lines', c.1857 - c.1869, the formative years of railway development in Victoria.

Little River Railway Station is architecturally significant for its planning, design and detailing, and is a notable example of a country railway station. The goods shed is architecturally significant as a rare example of its type.

Heritage Study / Consultant	
Construction Date Range	1864 -
Architect / Designer	Snell & Kawerau
Municipality	WYNDHAM CITY
Other names	
Hermes number	658
Property number	

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