

SORELL HERITAGE SURVEY

Address: 298 Marion Bay Road Marion Bay 7177		UPI: 2900031	PID: 5961046
Name: RESIDENCE FORMER COACH STOP			
Feature Type: Structure Type: House Site Feature Type: Coaching stop	Dating:	1830 - 1890	c1840
	Access Restrictions:	Restricted	
	Inspection Date:	October 96	P Davies
	Style:	Colonial	
		Grid ref:	5625 568450 5254750
Indication of Significance: Probable significance		Theme: Roadways	
Material:	Brick	Corrugated iron	Listings:
Condition:	Deteriorated		
Integrity:	Altered, extended unsympathetically		
National Estate Criteria:		Photograph Index:	7:6-9
Risk:	Excavation: ☐	Development: ☒	Maintenance: ☒ Vandalism: ☐

SITE DESCRIPTION:

A small brick one room building with a range of additions that has been altered a number of times to incorporate it into a large residence. The original building was probably face brick, but may have been rendered (it is now clad in hardiplank) whilst the interior appears to have been finished in plaster. There is a fireplace with a surviving mantel piece. The windows and doors have been altered and it appears that the door was probably in the end wall. The building is now divided internally with a bathroom at one end. The roof structure is formed from bush timber. The second building is a timber building, detached from the earlier building, probably used for accommodation and originally divided into two sections. It has been extended on each side and has had all openings replaced and external wall cladding replaced although some internal wall linings survive. It had vertical timber cladding still evident under the floor and was built on round timber logs. All of the additions to these two buildings have no significance and it is suspected that so little of the timber buildings survive that it has lost its basic form.

HISTORY:

This building appears to be the early coach stop on the corduroy track as it passed over the headland. The building is now altered and extended and reclad, but its bush construction and early bricks indicate an early construction date in the area in a pioneer era.

BOUNDARY:

The listing boundary is formed by the property boundary to the north and west, the water to the east and a line approximately 2 metres from the building to the west.

COMMENTS:

The building has significance as rare surviving building of modest scale from the coaching period, showing additions for a range of uses including accommodation in relation to the coach use. The main section of the building appears to have high significance in understanding the history of the area and transport routes through and along the coast. It should be included in Schedule 3 of the Sorell Planning Scheme.

BIBLIOGRAPHY + PREVIOUS STUDIES:

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