

SORELL HERITAGE SURVEY

Address: Shrub End Road Wattle Hill 7172		UPI: 2904337	PID: 7839538
Name: MILLBROOK			
Feature Type: House	Structure Type	Dating: 1830 - 1890	
	Site Feature Type	Access Restrictions: Restricted	
		Inspection Date: J McCarthy September 96	
		Style:	
		Grid ref: 5426	551150 5265300
Indication of Significance: Probable Significance		Theme: Primary Production	
Material:	Timber siding	Listings:	
	Corrugated iron		
Condition:	Good		
Integrity:	Altered, extended sympathetically		
National Estate Criteria:		Photograph Index: 25: 15 - 17	
Risk:	Excavation: ☐	Development: ☐	Maintenance: ☐ Vandalism: ☐

SITE DESCRIPTION:

This house was apparently constructed in 1885 with material recycled from earlier buildings on Ironstone Creek.

The house is a two storey weatherboard structure with a steep pitched cgi gabled roof and simply decorated bargeboards. There is a brick chimney at the eastern end standing proud of the building. The house is of simple rectangular plan with a skillion one storey addition along the length of the northern elevation. The main door is on the southern side but is no longer used. There is an off-centre brick chimney on the west elevation.

The property includes a mature tree northeast of the house and three mature walnut trees near the front gate.

HISTORY:

Built by Richard Downward as a dwelling for his Iron Creek mill and brewery complex. In 1841, there was a 'dwelling-house' which included 'every necessary convenience for a large family, which as well as the extensive out offices, piggeries, yards, &c., are all in thorough repair'.

When he sold the property in 1849 the house was described as; 'a commodious dwelling of superior construction, conveniently adapted to the use and comfort of a respectable family, and surrounded with a noble garden of three acres, thoroughly fenced, and stocked with every variety of the choicest fruit trees'.

BOUNDARY:

The listing boundary is formed by the title boundary for the property.

COMMENTS:

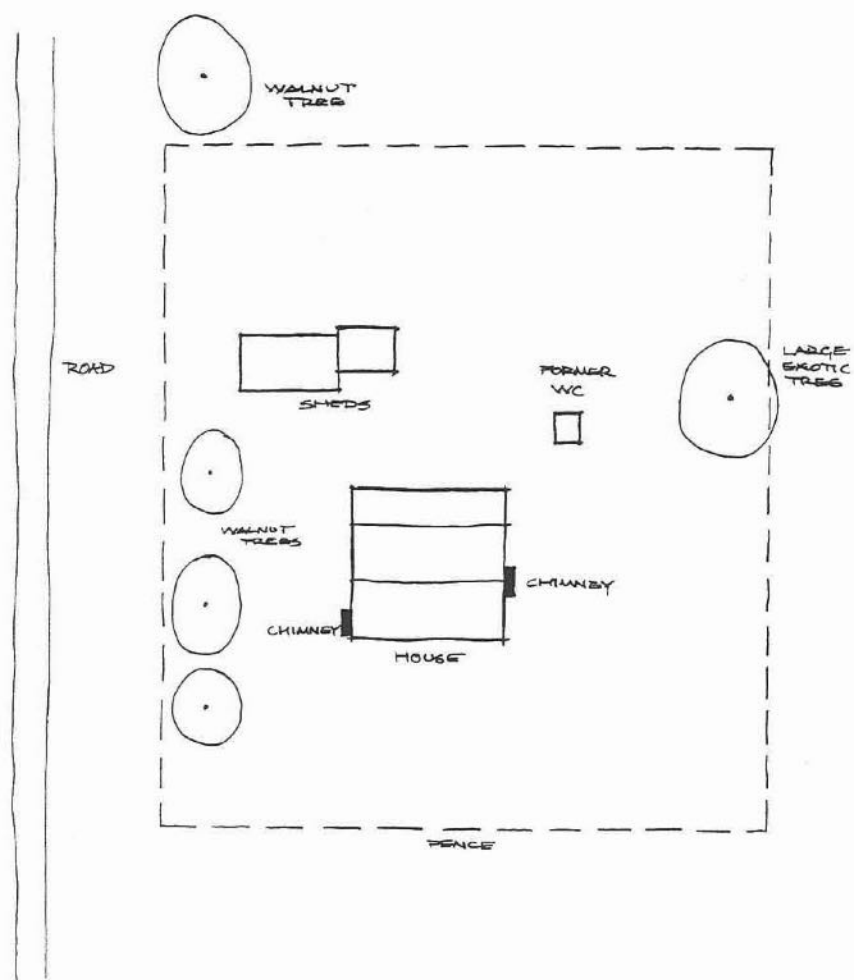
The building, although not the original one on the site, is a surviving element from the early history of the area.

It should be included in Schedule 3 of the Sorell Planning Scheme.

BIBLIOGRAPHY + PREVIOUS STUDIES:

Hobart Town Courier 5 January 1841, p1

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