

SORELL HERITAGE SURVEY

Address: 29 Gordon Street Sorell 7172		UPI: 2902835	PID: 5933707
Name: PEMBROKE HOTEL			
Feature Type: Hotel	Structure Type	Dating:	1830 - 1890 1842c
	Site Feature Type	Access Restrictions:	Restricted
		Inspection Date:	October 96 P Davies
		Style:	Colonial Regency
		Grid ref:	5462 545800 5262800
Indication of Significance: High probable significance		Theme: Pubs	
Material:	Rendered brick Corrugated iron	Listings: National Trust SMC Schedule 3	
Condition:	Fair		
Integrity:	Altered, extended unsympathetically		
National Estate Criteria:	A4 B2 C2 D2	Photograph Index:	2:34, 35, 37
Risk:	Excavation: ☐	Development: ☒	Maintenance: ☐ Vandalism: ☐

SITE DESCRIPTION:

One of the early hotels of the town which is now encapsulated in additions to the street. The original building is two storey and the exposed section is rendered brick with rendered bands around windows and stone sills. The building has a galvanised iron roof and brick chimneys. Overall it had a symmetrical Georgian design. The upstairs rooms appear to be reasonably intact. The additions are of poor design and detract from the integrity of the building. They are located on the front and Somerville St side. Their removal is recommended.

HISTORY:

Located on a block where 'Wilson had a building in 1832 the Pembroke was built by 1842 and licensed to Mr Thomas and then to George Wright from 1847, with the license showing that there was accommodation for an officer, three soldiers and a horse. For many years in the mid-nineteenth century the Pembroke was owned by Samuel Iles along with the Gordon Highlander which he appears to have regarded as the more profitable hostelry. Photographs in the late nineteenth century show that there was an open verandah on the Gordon St facade although this has since been enclosed.

BOUNDARY:

The listing boundary is formed by the title boundary of the property and forms part of the wider, Gordon St, conservation precinct.

COMMENTS:

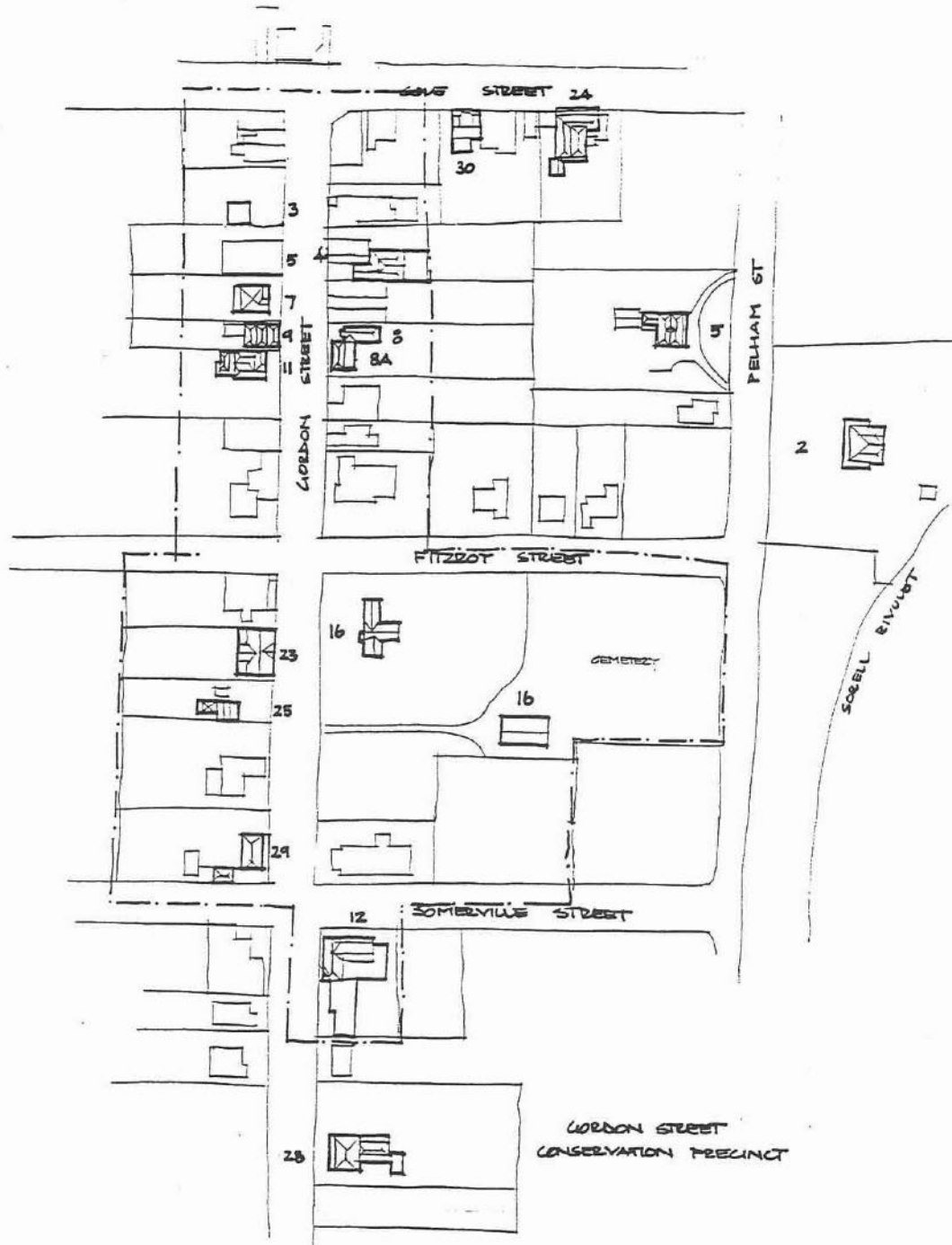
Of significance as an early hotel in the town which retains a significant part of its original structure and which is an important part of the streetscape and early history of the town.

It meets Criteria A4, B2, C2 and D2 for inclusion in the Register of the National Estate. It should continue to be included in Schedule 3 of the Sorell Planning Scheme and should be nominated for inclusion in the Tasmanian Heritage Register and the Register of the National Estate.

BIBLIOGRAPHY + PREVIOUS STUDIES:

Mercury 11 January 1860, p4; 6 January 1863.
S/31 (Old Town Plan - 1842)
S/35 (Old Town Plan - 1832)

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