

SORELL HERITAGE SURVEY

Address: 396 Kellevie Rd Kellevie 7176		UPI: 2904499	PID: 7817582
Name: KELLEVIE SCHOOL			
Feature Type:	Structure Type: School	Dating: 1891 - 1915 1895	
	Site Feature Type: Lavatory	Access Restrictions: Restricted	
	Shed	Inspection Date: October 96 Ian Terry	
		Style:	
Indication of Significance: High probable significance		Grid ref: 5626 565950 5262370	
Material: Timber siding Corrugated iron		Theme: Education	
Condition: Fair		Listings: National Trust SMC Schedule 3	
Integrity: Altered, extended sympathetically			
National Estate Criteria: A4 C2 G1		Photograph Index: 13: 6-10	
Risk: Excavation: ☐ Development: ☐ Maintenance: ☐ Vandalism: ☐			

SITE DESCRIPTION:

A large country weatherboard school house with a steep pitched corrugated iron gabled roof set on a coursed stone base. The building features decorative barge boards in several gables. The original school was a typical 'T' shaped plan with a two storey teacher's residence at the head of the 'T' and a large single classroom in the stem. A gable roofed school room in identical form was added to the east with a skillion roofed entrance porch area to its south. A small gable roofed addition was added to the end of the residence with another skillion roofed addition adjacent. More recently a low flat roofed extension links the school house with a small gabled wash house/toilet. A timber garage beyond the wash house is of no interest.

The internal layout of the school is still intact and features huon pine, kauri pine, Tasmanian oak and blackwood joinery, mantles, flooring and banisters. Windows are double hung sash with a third tier of hopper windows on the southern facade of the classroom.

The school is set in extensive grounds with a post and rail fence remaining on the eastern boundary.

HISTORY:

The original school, designed by the noted colonial architect, Henry Hunter, was erected in 1879 on two acres of land donated by Captain Richard Copping in what is now Woolleys Rd.

The existing schoolhouse and attached residence was built in 1895/6 at a cost of £471 to replace the earlier school which was destroyed during a wave of arson attacks in the district during January 1895. Erected by Haney Bros on 1 acre of land purchased from C Richardson, it was opened in March 1896 after long delays occasioned by negotiations over where to locate it. Initially featuring a shingled roof it was later extended with a wing on the northern end of the building. The school closed in 1960 when pupils were transferred to Dunalley school.

BOUNDARY:

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

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COMMENTS:

The former Kellevie school has high heritage significance as a school which operated for over 60 years. It is an intact and example of a late nineteenth century rural school in Tasmania.

It meets Criteria A4, C2 and G1 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.

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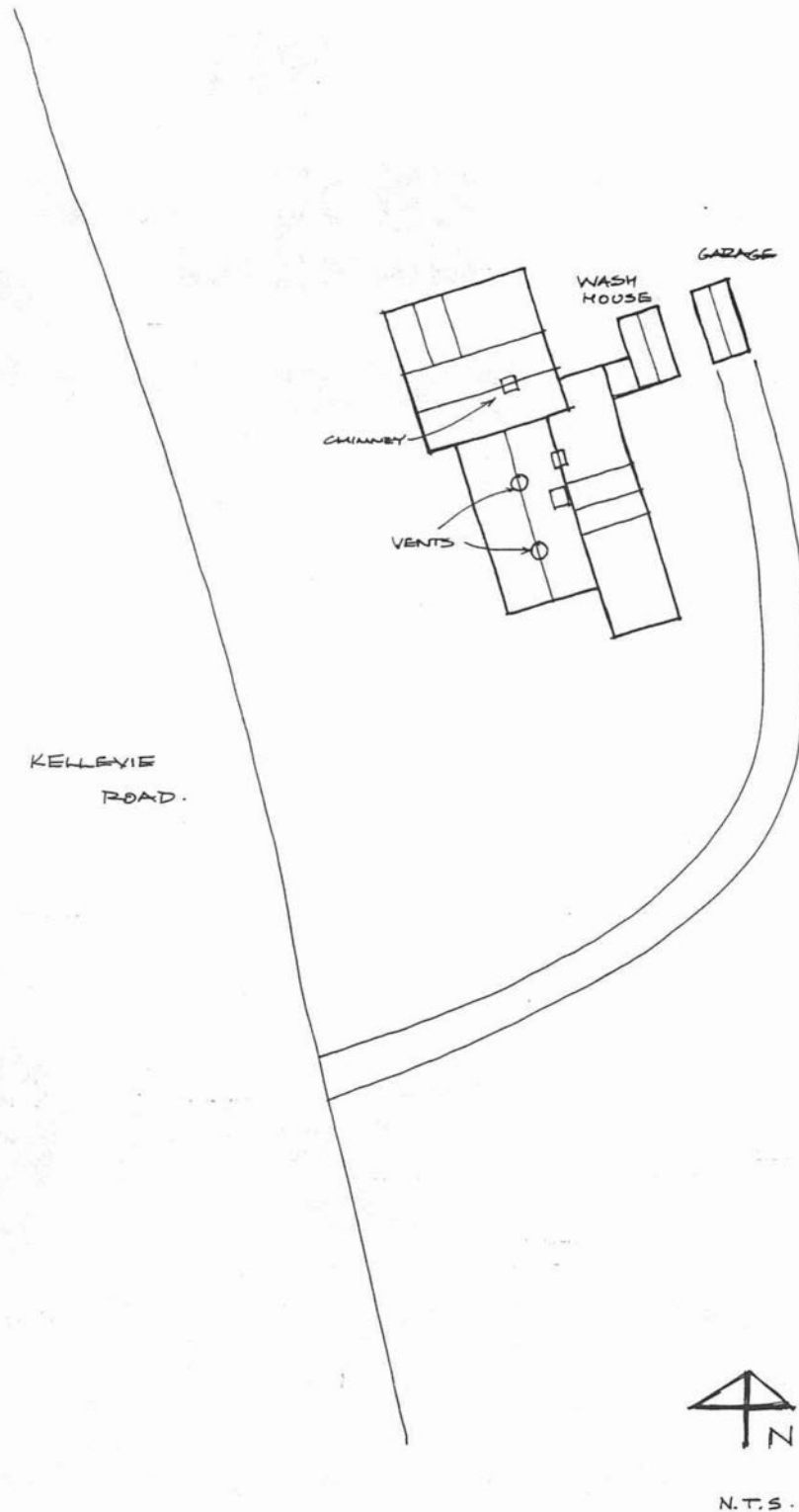
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