

SORELL HERITAGE SURVEY

Address: 699 Arthur Highway Forcett 7173		UPI: 2901353	PID: 5935593
Name: FORCETT HALL			
Feature Type: Hall	Structure Type	Dating: 1916 - 1945	c1920
	Site Feature Type	Access Restrictions: Restricted	
		Inspection Date: October 96	P Davies
		Style: Inter war	
		Grid ref: 5426	551650 5260300
Indication of Significance: Probable Significance		Theme: Halls	
Material:	Timber siding	Listings: SMC Schedule 3	
Condition:	Good		
Integrity:	Altered, extended sympathetically		
National Estate Criteria:		Photograph Index: 5:6-7, 10	
Risk: Excavation: ☐ Development: ☐ Maintenance: ☐ Vandalism: ☐			

SITE DESCRIPTION:

A medium sized typical country hall of a style seen widely throughout the State. The building comprises a central hall space with entry porch to the street and a room on either side at the rear, one containing a kitchen the other a store. A small elevated WC has been built at the rear of the kitchen area. The building is constructed on a stepped and substantial stone base, has standard windows and doors, a hipped corrugated iron roof with patent standard ventilators, a brick fireplace in the rear corner and is sited prominently on the approach to the town from the west. The interior appears to be largely intact with stage.

HISTORY:

The land for the hall was given by Harvey and excised from his Studley Park property early in the century to provide a community facility. The hall was built by public subscription and is owned by the community with an elected board of management that continues to operate.

BOUNDARY:

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

COMMENTS:

This is one of the best surviving hall buildings from early this century which retains its early form and detail. It is an important part of the local community and has had a continued use. It has connections with the early families of the area and being built by community subscription has a value to the community.

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

BIBLIOGRAPHY + PREVIOUS STUDIES:

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