

Item Details

Name

Plumpton House School

SHR/LEP/S170

LEP #

Address

327 Rooty Hill Road North PLUMPTON NSW 2761

Local Govt Area

Blacktown

Local Aboriginal Land Council

Unknown

Item Type

Built

Group/Collection

Education

Category

School - State (public)

All Addresses

Addresses

Records Retrieved: 1

Street No	Street Name	Suburb/Town/Postcode	Local Govt. Area	LALC	Parish	County	Electorate	Address Type
327	Rooty Hill Road North	PLUMPTON/NSW/2761	Blacktown	Unknown			Unknown	Primary Address

Significance

Statement Of Significance

Built as Woodstock School in 1890 to educate the children of the families working in the Woodstock Fruit Cannery Works. It was so named Plumpton Public School in 1907. Plumpton Primary School is historically significant as a rare remaining example of victorian School building design dating from the earliest days of public schools. The construction of a brick building in what would have been an outpost is unusual and is likely to reflect the wealth of the land owners in the district and their lobbying power.

Criteria a)**Historical Significance**

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Criteria b)**Historical Association Significance**

The School has association with Walter Lamb who was one of the members of the original committee seeking a Public School in the area.

Criteria c)**Aesthetic/Technical Significance**

The building is of high aesthetic significance as a victorian brick school building with a high design quality and detail.

Criteria d)**Social/Cultural Significance**

The School has a high social value to Plumpton as the School Associated with the Cannery and the settlement of the area, which continues to provide specialist school services to the Western Sydney Region.

Integrity/Intactness

High

Owners

Records Retrieved: 0

Organisation	Stakeholder Category	Date Ownership Updated
No Results Found		

Description

Designer

Builder/Maker

Physical Description

Updated

Plumpton House School and grounds is a typical victorian brick school building that retains its grounds and lanscape.

Physical Condition

Updated 11/27/2015

Modifications And Dates

Further Comments

Current Use

Special School

Former Use

Primary School

Listings

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			Records Retrieved: 2		
Heritage Listing	Listing Title	Listing Number	Gazette Date	Gazette Number	Gazette Page
Local Environmental Plan	Amend No 143		4/12/2002 12:00:00 AM	72	2262
Local Environmental Plan	Blacktown Local Environmental Plan 2015	156	7/7/2015 12:00:00 AM	430	

Procedures/Exemptions

Records Retrieved: 0

Section of Act	Description	Title	Comments	Action Date	Outcome
No Results Found					

History

Historical Notes or Provenance

Updated

A Public School at Rooty Hill was opened in 1874 after deputations and applications from prominent local residents including Walter Lamb and Rev. Thomas Donkin. By 1886-7 the main population in the area was moving closer to Rooty Hill Railway Station and the residents petitioned for a new location for the school. This was unsuccessful and in 1888-9 the residents again petitioned, this time arguing that the school should be closer to the Woodstock Cannery. A new school opened in 1890 on land donated by Walter Lamb and was known as Woodstock.

In 1907 the school changed its name from Woodstock to Plumpton Public School. Renovations and painting were undertaken in the early 1920s in response to complaints about overcrowding and the deplorable state of the buildings. In 1928, work was done to improve lighting and ventilation including lowering of window sills. A partition was also constructed in the main room to provide better separation of classes.

Historic Themes

Records Retrieved: 3

National Theme	State Theme	Local Theme
6. Educating	Education	Unknown
4. Settlement	Towns, suburbs and villages	Settlement in the 19th Century
3. Economy	Industry	Rural Industry

Recommended Management

Management Summary

Management

Records Retrieved: 0

Management Category	Management Name	Date Updated
No Results Found		

Report/Study

Heritage Studies

Records Retrieved: 3

Report/Study Name	Report/Study Code	Report/Study Type	Report/Study Year	Organisation	Author
In House Heritage Items Review			2009		Margaret Fallon
Blacktown Heritage Study			1995		(not stated)
Blacktown Heritage Study			1988		Jonathan Falk Planning Consultants in association with Rodney Jensen and Assoc.s

Reference & Internet Links

References

Records Retrieved: 1

Type	Author	Year	Title	Link
Written	Harvey, Brett	1977	The History of Blactown and District	

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