

BUILDING TITLE: Former Lock Up/house **BUILDING ADDRESS:** 2 Westacott Street
LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE: A || B || C |X| D || E || **BUILDING TYPE:** gaol
DESIGNATION: HBR Reg No File # 60 1520 B AHC File # NT File # Class || Rec ||
CONSERVATION AREA: outside **LEVEL OF STREETScape SIGNIFICANCE:** 1 || 2 || 3 ||
STYLE: Californian Bungalow

CONSTRUCTION DATE & ALTERATIONS:

1. 1850s (lock up)
2. 1930s (conversion)
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- 4.
- 5.
- 6.

Sources:

MATERIALS: (as house)

Roof: corrugated iron
Walls: rockface bluestone
Dressings: none
Plinth: bluestone
Windows: timber dhs
Paving: asphalt
Other: halftimbering and
shingles in gable
leadlight in original
windows

SURVEY DATE: 17/5/91 **NEG FILE:** 8/25 **REPORTER:** tfh

INTEGRITY: E || G |X| F || P || **NOTABLE FEATURES:** conversion to house

CONDITION: E || G |X| F || P ||

SIGNIFICANCE: Part of the original police complex and probably the most interesting extension and conversion of a nineteenth century building.

ALTERATIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS:

Appropriate:	Rec	Inappropriate:	Rec
none required		front fence missing	S

O=reinstate original design S=reinstate sympathetic alternative R=remove RAM=remove by approved method

SIGNIFICANT OWNERS/TENANTS:
Police
land to F H McCorkell, 28/2/30

ARCHITECTS/BUILDERS:
PWD Department

TITLE:
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Former Lock Up
2 Westacott Street

This building is of local historic and architectural significance. It was built in the 1850s or early 1860s as the first permanent lock up in the Police complex which had been established as early as 1841. ⁽ⁱ⁾ Another brick lock up was built in Thompson Street adjacent to the police station. ⁽ⁱⁱ⁾ By the 1920s it was no longer in use and the Crown sold the site as part of a major sale of land in the area in 1930 to F H McCorkell. ⁽ⁱⁱⁱ⁾ The building was converted to domestic use soon after. Having been a conventionally designed Public Works Department gaol, it was changed into a somewhat naive interpretation of the Californian Bungalow style, using details and materials which were, after the Depression, somewhat old fashioned. The leadlighting in the cell windows is notable. It can be compared with other buildings substantially altered in the 1920s and 1930s and with Fleetwood, 21 Gray Street and Birdseye's Dental Surgery, 47 Thompson Street which are pure examples of the Californian Bungalow style. The building remains significantly intact from the date of its conversion and is in good condition.

ASSOCIATED HISTORIC THEMES

Administration: Police
Evolution of the Town: 1950s, 1930s

ASSOCIATED HISTORIC BUILDINGS

Budock Vean, 45 French Street
Bungalow, 56 French Street
Courthouse, Martin Street
Police Station & Lock Up, Thompson Street

REFERENCES

Garden, D, *Hamilton*, North Melbourne, 1984.

FOOTNOTES

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- ⁱ Garden, D, *Hamilton*, p 30.
ⁱⁱ This has since been converted into a garage.
ⁱⁱⁱ *Township of Hamilton Parish Plan*, Section 11 Lot 4.