

HERITAGE PLACE

NAME OF PLACE: TIMBER COTTAGE (CAVENDISH 6 - OLDEST IN CAVENDISH)

ADDRESS/LOCATION OF PLACE: Riley Street CAVENDISH

STUDY NUMBER: 374

HERITAGE OVERLAY NUMBER:

PRECINCT: Cavendish

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA: Southern Grampians Shire

PARISH: PARISH OF CAVENDISH

ACCESS DESCRIPTION:

CFA 432J (opposite 8); VicRoads 228 J7; located in the north-east corner of Riley and Bunbury Streets, Cavendish immediately north of the bridge across the Wannon River and opposite St Mark's Anglican Church.

SIGNIFICANCE RATING: Local



Timber Cottage, Riley & Bunbury Streets, Cavendish

Image Date: 30/11/02

EXTENT OF LISTING:

To the extent of: 1. All the cottage, all of the garden, including the wooden fence surrounding the complex.

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PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:

The cottage is a very small timber framed building facing west. The walls are clad with weatherboards and the hipped roof is clad with corrugated iron. There is a simple timber verandah across the front which is enclosed at the northern end. The verandah has a waving valence. There are two doors on the front elevation, the main door being to the south, and two 12-paned double hung sash windows. There is a brick chimney at the southern end of the cottage. The northern wall has been covered with pressed cement sheeting and the window changed to louvred glass. There is a weatherboard skillion across the rear, probably original or added at a very early date. The skillion has been added to and altered slightly. The outbuildings at the rear are not of particular significance. There are some old plantings including common fruit trees.

HISTORY:

The land on which the timber cottage stands (allotment 18 of Section 7) was purchased in the first land sales by J. Shilcock, who also purchased allotments 17 and 19 of the same allotment, as well allotments 10 and 11 of Section 6 (Public Lands Office Melbourne, 1858) on 16th February, 1857 (Department of Lands and Survey, 1967).

The cottage is said to be the oldest surviving residence in the township of Cavendish.

THEMATIC CONTEXT:

Theme 8 Developing Australia's cultural life
8.12 Living in and around Australian homes
8.14 Living in the country and rural settlements

CONDITION:

Fair

INTEGRITY:

high degree of integrity.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

What is significant?

The timber cottage located in the north east corner of Riley and Bunbury Streets appears to date from the before 1870, and is regarded as the oldest residence in the township of Cavendish. The cottage is in fair condition, and retains a high degree of integrity externally.

How is it significant?

The timber cottage is of historical significance to the township of Cavendish and Southern Grampians Shire.

Why is it significant?

The timber cottage is of historical significance as a representative example of the way of life which people had in the nineteenth century in small country towns. It provides us with a tangible link to another time, and through its simple form, structure and design provides us with an historical insight into the development of residential accommodation in the nineteenth century.

COMPARISON:

277 Timber Cottage and Orchard, Henty Street, Branhholme

ASSESSED BY: tfh

ASSESSMENT DATE:

30-Nov-02

EXISTING LISTINGS:

HERITAGE STUDY RECOMMENDATIONS:

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Include in VHR **Include in RNE** **Include in Local Planning Scheme**

No Recommendations for Inclusions

REFERENCES:

Author	Title	Year	Page
Department of Lands and Survey	Township of Cavendish	1955	