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DOCUMENT FILE :

BUILDING TITLE BRICK EXHAUST VENT (PART OF BALLARAT  
LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA CITY OF BALLAARAT DRAINAGE SYSTEM)

NATIONAL ESTATE PROJECT No.

DOCUMENTATION OF LISTED HISTORIC BUILDINGS IN VICTORIA

DESIGNATION

H.B.P.C. REGISTER No.

NATIONAL TRUST ☒ ☒ FILE No

BUILDING TYPE BRICK EXHAUST VENT

BUILDING NAME

STATE VICTORIA

LOCAL GOVT AREA CITY OF BALLAARAT

STREET CRESWICK RD No.

SUBURB/TOWN BALLARAT C.B.D.

CITY BALLAARAT POSTCODE 3350

RURAL

NEAREST CENTRE

Km.

TITLE REFERENCE

Vol

Fol

DIRECTORY

NEGATIVE FILE FILM 9 / FRAME 11

PHOTOGRAPHIC ILLUSTRATION

DATE OF SURVEY/INSPECTION JULY 1978

OWNERSHIP

ORIGINAL CITY OF BALLAARAT

PRESENT

ADDRESS

/VENT TO GNARR  
CREEK

ARCHITECT/PRACTICE

BALLARAT CITY COUNCIL (DRAWGS. SIGNED  
DANIEL BROWN)

BUILDER

ARTISANS/TRADES

TENDERS

REFERENCE

DATE OF CONSTRUCTION 1884

ESTIMATE/CONTRACT VALUE £200 (CONTRACT DATE 7.4.1884)

ALTERATIONS/ADDITIONS

#### BUILDING CITATION

This brick exhaust vent was built in 1884 for the City of Ballaarat. The contract sum was £200, and the original drawings are held by the Council.

It was constructed over the Gnarr Creek culvert and now forms part of the impressive drainage system of Ballaarat. This system was necessitated by the urban development of many low lying areas which were subject to flooding, and in particular Bridge Street. The drains feature bluestone and brick work lining of a high standard, particularly the brick vaulted sections. Some road bridges over it carry very fine wrought iron balustrading.

This vent is of an octagonal section, constructed of brick with a graceful taper to the free stone quasi doric capping. It rises some 17 metres above a partly dressed and partly rusticated bluestone base.

The exhaust vent is important as an intact well designed and detailed example of industrial architecture. It is an obvious manifestation of this important and possibly unique drainage system.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the brick exhaust vent, as well as the early brick and stone sections of the drainage system, and associated road bridges be added to the Register of the National Estate and Clause 8B of the Town and Country Planning Act (Third Schedule) as a complex. (Refer also to Part 2 of this report.)

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## BIBLIOGRAPHY

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ASSESSMENT OF LISTING  
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