Site:
 Fitzroy North Primary School
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 Address:
 Cnr Alfred Crescent & Best Street, North Fitzroy
 Map Ref:
 30 B12

 Access:
 Restricted
 Survey Date:
 28/5/98



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Description

The grounds of the Fitzroy North Primary School contain a number of mature, exotic trees, associated with the notable Victorian school building.

Remnant Fabric (Man Made)

None noted.

Remnant Fabric (Vegetation)

The site features a number of mature exotic trees. Specimens include Pepper Tree (Schinus molle), Desert Ash (Fraxinus oxycarpa), English Elm (Ulmus procera) and a short row of Dutch Elm (Ulmus x hollandica) on the southern boundary of the site. An unusual oak tree, which appears to be a Common Oak (Quercus robur) hybrid is located in the south western section of the site. All the trees are in reasonable condition. Most of the significant trees are located in the vicinity of the old wing of the school, and native trees and shrubs are planted elsewhere, forming an effective landscape scheme.

Potential Threats

Removal of senescent specimens and failure to replace them with the same species, particularly introduction of native trees to the south western section of the site..

Management Steps

Preparation of a management plan for the mature exotic trees on the site that would outline a regular maintenance program for the trees, and ensure senescent specimens are replaced with the same species, maintaining some degree of heritage character to the site.

Statement of Significance

The mature exotic trees at North Fitzroy Primary School are of local interest as early plantings associated with an important local building. The trees contribute significantly to the heritage character of the site and the surrounding precinct, and to the amenity of the neighbourhood generally.