BANKSIA PARK

Place No. 71 **ADDRESS** - Templestowe Road **Last Update** Bulleen DESCRIPTION Condition **Integrity** Not known **Threats Key elements** Designer **HISTORY** A Board of Works regional park planned on North American principles with distributed car parks, shared footways, information signs and interpretation signs, picnic and barbeque facilities, play equipment and sculptures. The principal landscape images are of pasture and woodland edge. Vegetation consists of some remnant River Red Gums, with plantings of Eucalypts, Acacias and exotic species including Prunus and Pin Oak. Nine interpretive plaques are located along the footway which follows the river course. Note the old stand of exotic trees adjacent to one memorial including Italian Poplar, Indian Bean Tree, Ash leaf Maple, Common Ash, Alder, Spanish Chestnut and Pussy Willow. The area was farmed by Sydney Ricardo, a State Member of Parliament. Some rubble footings from his house apparently remain within the grounds of Heide II, and quince and pear trees planted during his ownership are thought to remain within the park [2]. **Creation Date Change Dates** Associations **Local Themes** Sydney Ricardo **STATEMENT OF** Of local significance. **SIGNIFICANCE** LEVEL RECOMMENDATIONS **Heritage Register Listings** Register Reference **Zoning Status** None Specified **Extent** Heritage Schedule **External Paint Controls:** On VHR: VHR Ref No: **Internal Alteration Controls:** Prohibited Uses: Tree Controls: Aboriginal Heritage Place: Outbuildings or Fences: Incorporated Plan: Incorporated Plan Details Description: **Conservation Management** Extra Research

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