

MULLEN'S MOTOR GARAGE (FORMER)

Hunter's & Mullen's Blacksmith shop

Place No. 105

ADDRESS 131 James Street
Templestowe

Last Update 28/04/2005

DESCRIPTION This is a brick building built to the boundary on both street frontages. It retains timber garage doors and windows. There is a timber building.

Condition Good

Integrity Minor Modifications

Threats

Key elements Buildings

Designer

HISTORY William Hunter established a blacksmith's shop on the corner of James and Anderson Streets in 1878. In 1892 he put Sylvester Mullens in charge of the shop, and eight years later Mullens took over the business; it was to remain in the Mullens family until 1970 when Jack Mullens (Sylvester's oldest son, who started working in the business in 1907) retired as a blacksmith [1].

The blacksmith's shop was originally in a timber building [2], although the timber building on the site today is probably only one section of the original. The brick buildings, with a petrol pump outside, were constructed in 1927 to serve the growing motor vehicle trade.

SOURCES

[1] 'Hunter and Mullens Blacksmiths Shop' Doncaster Templestowe Historical Society Newsletter 5 (1), Aug. 1971.

[2] Keogh, p.54 photograph.

Creation Date 1927

Change Dates

Associations

Local Themes

William Hunter; Sylvester & Jack Mullen

6.04 - Local commerce & industry

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE Of regional significance as a rare remaining example of a blacksmiths and later motor vehicle shop with a remarkable continuity of association with the Mullens family.

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

BIBLIOGRAPHY