

Hurstville Heritage Inventory

State Heritage Inventory

SHI Number

1810192

Study Number

44

Item Name: **Peakhurst Public School**

Location: **76 Bonds Road, Peakhurst [Hurstville]**

Address: 76 Bonds Road

Planning: Sydney South

Suburb / Nearest Town: Peakhurst 2210

Historic Region: Sydney

Local Govt Area: Hurstville

Parish: St George

State: NSW

County: Cumberland

Other/Former Names:

Area/Group/Complex:

Group ID:

Aboriginal Area:

Curtilage/Boundary:

Item Type: Complex / Group

Group: Education

Category: School - State (public)

Owner: State Government

Admin Codes:

Code 2:

Code 3:

Current Use: Public School

Former Uses: Public School

Assessed Significance: **Local**

Endorsed Significance:

Statement of Significance: Peakhurst Public School is highly significant locally for its association with education and development in the community. The school building is a good representative example of an Inter-War period school building with an aesthetically pleasing streetscape presentation. Listing includes the main original building only.

Historical Notes or Provenance: The school was formed from a provisional school that had been operating in the area at Peake's Chapel with Innes Scott as the headmaster. The small hall here became known as the Georges River School. Peakhurst Public School was given official status and became a public school in 1873. The land on Bonds St was then donated by Mr Scott in 1876 on which a larger school building was erected in 1877. It served as the main school in Peakhurst until 1929 when a new brick structure was completed on Bonds St.

Themes: National Theme

State Theme

Local Theme

6. Educating

Education

(none)

Designer:

Maker / Builder:

Year Started: 1877

Year Completed: 1929

Circa: No

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Physical Description: First school building was completed in 1877 and the second was completed in 1929. The site currently presents in the typical style of two storey Inter-War school building. It features two bays projecting at each end, with prominent street fronting gables. It is of brick construction, rough cast rendered, and painted a pale yellow. The site also features large mature palm trees, which appear to date back to the building's 1929 construction, contributing to the school's streetscape appeal.

Physical Condition: Good.

Modification Dates:

Recommended Management: The school should be retained and conserved. A Heritage Assessment and Heritage Impact Statement should be prepared for the site prior to any major works being undertaken. Before the commencement of works, photographic and archival recording (in accordance with Heritage Branch Guidelines) should be undertaken.

Management: Statutory Instrument List on a Local Environmental Plan (LEP)

Further Comments:

Criteria a) Demonstrates the pattern of development of Hurstville and in particular that of the Peakhurst area. It is a representative example of public education and reflects the growth of the area in the inter-war period.

Criteria b) Research to date does not indicate any historical association with a person or groups that are important to the historical development of the area.

Criteria c) A relatively intact and good example of an Inter-War period school building. Austerity of materials reflects scarcity of materials at the time. The site is aesthetically pleasing and the palm trees in particular provide a positive streetscape impression.

Criteria d) Peakhurst Public School is highly significant locally for its association with education and development in the community.

Criteria e)

Criteria f)

Criteria g) Example of Inter-War period school buildings.

Integrity / Intactness: intact externally

References:	Author	Title	Year
	Davis, Pedr	The Hurstville Story	1986

Studies:	Author	Title	Number	Year
	City Plan Heritage	Hurstville Community Based Heritage Study Review	44	2012

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Longitude:

Location validity:

Spatial Accuracy:

Map Name:

Map Scale:

AMG Zone:

Easting:

Northing:

Listings:

Name:

Title:

Number:

Date:

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3/07/2012

Custom Field One:

Custom Field Two:

Custom Field Three:

Custom Field Four:

Custom Field Five:

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Image:



Caption: Street view of Main building, Peakhurst Public School

Copyright: Hurstville City Council

Image by: City Plan Heritage

Image Date: 16/03/2012

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Image File: tn_Peakhurst Public School_Bonds Rd_3.JPG

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Image:



Caption: Old school building, Peakhurst Public School, 1877

Copyright: Hurstville City Council

Image by: Hurstville City Library Historical Photograph Collection

Image Date:

Image Number:

Image Path:

Image File: peakhurst public school 1877.jpg

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Location: **764 Forest Road, Peakhurst [Hurstville]**

Address: 764 Forest Road

Planning: Sydney South

Suburb / Nearest Town: Peakhurst 2210

Historic Region: Sydney

Local Govt Area: Hurstville

Parish: St George

State: NSW

County: Cumberland

Other/Former Names: Collaroy, Roslyn Gardens

Area/Group/Complex:

Group ID:

Aboriginal Area:

Curtilage/Boundary:

Item Type: Landscape

Group: Parks, Gardens and T Category: Other - Parks, Garden

Owner: Private - Corporate

Admin Codes:

Code 2:

Code 3:

Current Use: Function Centre

Former Uses: Residential house

Assessed Significance: **Local**

Endorsed Significance:

Statement of Significance: The property at 764 Forest Road in Peakhurst is of local significance as it encapsulates the original Victorian period house know as "Collaroy" built c1885 and some of its garden elements. Although the house has been modified significantly it retains the overall form and original front facade with the veranda. The site is evident of changes due to the needs of the community and example of adaptive reuse since the late 1940s.

The aesthetic quality of the original house has been compromised by the latest additions to the front however, the original front facade is remarkably intact featuring the architectural elements of "Collaroy" from the 1880s. The garden is a significant landscape feature within the immediate area and features some of the trees remnant from the 1940s or earlier.

The building's surviving Victorian style elements and its association with "Collaroy" would provide a historical connection to the local community. Use of the site as a reception and function centre since the late 1940s would also be important from the local community's sense of place.

Historical Notes or Provenance: Part of Robert Townson grant, the property was owned by Alfred Reginald Fremlin, a gentleman from Botany in 1882. He sold it to Robert William Newell, a grocer at Newtown on 9th March, 1882 for £615. Newell then demolished the old hut that was standing on the property and erected the present building which he then let to various tenants. By 1885 he had moved to Peakhurst, and lived in the house, now called "Collaroy" in the years 1885 to 1887, 1889 to 1894, 1898, 1902 to 1903 and 1916. He let the house to various tenants when he was not living in the house. On 4th September, 1916, Robert Newell sold "Collaroy" to Emanuel Silva for £1,550. Newell

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died on 13th November, 1919. A description of the property in 1923 described the estate as "containing eight acres of land, together with a brick cottage of six rooms, kitchen, laundry, pantry, stables, outhouses etc. Erected thereon, the whole being enclosed by wire and paling fences". The Valuer General estimated its value to be £4,959.

The property was purchased by the Assurance and Thrift Association Ltd. On 10th December, 1924. On 2nd April, 1947 it was sold to Virgile Jules Frittoles, of Peakhurst, a chef. The house was used for functions such as wedding receptions from this time.

Agnes Terese Buckley purchased the property on 21st August, 1956 and from 2nd January, 1968 to June, 1973 it was leased to Parkwood Catering.

Rosebowl Holdings purchased the property on 4th May, 1973, sold it to Barrington Lodge Pty.Ltd. On 7th April, 1978 and then it was sold to Roslyn Gardens and Rosebowl Pty. Ltd.on 28th June, 1979.

Since it was used as a residence, the property has undergone a number of modifications including extensions to the rear and western side of the house and a landscaped front garden. In 2010 these renovations were updated with a second storey added and a new roof across the entire complex

Land Titles Office: Primary Application 22456; DP 12997 Lot 8; Torrens Title: Vol.3660 Fol. 168; Vol.13908 Fol.247.

Themes:	National Theme	State Theme	Local Theme
	3. Economy	Commerce	(none)
	4. Settlement	Accommodation (Housing)	(none)

Designer:

Maker / Builder:

Year Started: 1882 **Year Completed:** 1882 **Circa:** No

Physical Description: The subject property, currently adaptively reused as function centre, comprises the Victorian period house known as "Collaroy" and its garden. The house has been significantly altered internally and added to since the late 1940s with the latest refurbishment undertaken in 2006. Possibly only the facade of the original house remains with limited alterations. The facade features typical Victorian period vertically proportioned double-hung windows with decorative label moulds and corbelled sills symmetrically placed on either side of the high entrance door with fanlight and sidelights and vermiculated stone quoins, and a veranda with ogee roof supported on round Tuscan style columns and sandstone edging to veranda tiles. The western projecting bay also features an original door off the veranda with segmental arch and fanlight and sidelights with leadlight glazing. The house is built of rendered brick, with quoins, it has a jerkin head roof with gable ends featuring timber fretwork detailing. The main form of the house is still recognisable and is similar to that seen in the 1943 aerial.

The front double-height Mediterranean-style colonnaded entry and balustrades over the

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western bay and front of the dormer windows are 2010 additions. The property has been used as a reception centre and was trading as "Roslyn Gardens" since the 1950s until recently when it is trading as "The Gardens on Forest". The reception centre was extended to the rear in the late 1950's.

The garden, which comprises a larger area than the original (on the east side), is not laid out in its original form, but follows the same alignment of the original angled entry path to the east (now main entry to 'the Gardens') and similar but wider layout to the west garden at the front of the house. The garden is now made up of a number of paved paths and edged garden beds with large grassed areas and a number of large trees providing shade. A number of trees appear to be remnant of the original garden when compared with the 1943 aerial.

Physical Condition: Well maintained.

Modification Dates: 1950s - Extended to the rear.
2006 & 2010 - extensive refurbishments and renovations in the form of a second storey, and new roof line across the complex. A new verandah was added with classical style columns and second storey porches with balustrade.

Recommended Management: Maintain and preserve the original Victorian facade including windows and doors, ogee veranda and its associated roof, floor tiles and sandstone edging, overall jerkin head roof form and the overall landscaped garden. Removal of 2010 additions from the front facade is encouraged should opportunity arise. A Heritage Assessment should be prepared to identify the original elements and landscaping in the garden.

Management: Statutory Instrument List on a Local Environmental Plan (LEP)

Further Comments:

Criteria a) The property at 764 Forest Road in Peakhurst comprises the original Victorian period house known as "Collaroy" built c1885. Although the house has been modified significantly it retains the overall form and original front facade with the veranda. The site is evident of changes due to the needs of the community and example of adaptive reuse since the late 1940s.

Criteria b)

Criteria c) The aesthetic quality of the original house has been compromised by the latest additions to the front. However, the original front facade is remarkably intact and provides the architectural elements of "Collaroy" from the 1880s. The garden is a significant landscape feature within the immediate area and features some of the remnant trees from the 1940s or earlier.

Criteria d) Social significance of the place requires a more detailed study to ascertain its value for the local community. However, it could be anticipated that the building's surviving Victorian style elements and its association with "Collaroy" would provide a historical connection to the local community. Use of the site as a reception and function centre since the late 1940s would also be important from the local community's sense of place.

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Criteria e) The existing complex encapsulates the original house therefore has a high potential to reveal further information on the original detailing of "Collaroy".

Criteria f)

Criteria g) The surviving facade and garden elements represents the characteristics of large Victorian period houses in the area and their changes over time.

Integrity / Intactness: Integrity of "Collaroy" is compromised

References:

Studies:	Author	Title	Number	Year
	City Plan Heritage	Hurstville Community Based Heritage Study Review	46	2012

Parcels:

Latitude:

Longitude:

Location validity:

Spatial Accuracy:

Map Name:

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Image:



Caption: Front view of house at Roslyn Gardens, 764 Forest Road, Peakhurst

Copyright: Hurstville City Council

Image by: City Plan Heritage

Image Date:

Image Number:

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Image File: tn_Roslyn Gardens-764 Forest Rd, Peakhurst_4.JPG

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Image:



Caption: View of extension on the western side, at 764 Forest Road, Peakhurst

Copyright: Hurstville City Council

Image by: City Plan Heritage

Image Date: 23/06/2012

Image Number:

Image Path:

Image File: tn_Roslyn Gardens-764 Forest Rd, Peakhurst_5.JPG

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Image:



Caption: Roslyn Gardens, 764 Forest Road, Peakhurst

Copyright: Hurstville City Council

Image by: City Plan Heritage

Image Date: 23/06/2012

Image Number:

Image Path:

Image File: tn_Roslyn Gardens-764 Forest Rd, Peakhurst_3.JPG

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Image:



Caption: Front fence of Roslyn Gardens, 764 Forest Road, Peakhurst

Copyright: Hurstville City Council

Image by: City Plan Heritage

Image Date: 23/06/2012

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Image File: tn_Roslyn Gardens-764 Forest Rd, Peakhurst_1.JPG

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Image:



Caption: Roslyn Gardens, 764 Forest Road, Peakhurst

Copyright: Hurstville City Council

Image by: City Plan Heritage

Image Date: 23/06/2012

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Image Path:

Image File: tn_Roslyn Gardens-764 Forest Rd, Peakhurst_6.JPG

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Image:



Caption: A 1943 aerial view of "Collaroy" prior to its adaptive reuse as a reception centre.

Copyright: Land & Property Information

Image by: Land & Property Information

Image Date:

Image Number:

Image Path:

Image File: 764 Forest Rd, Peakhurst_Roslyn Gardens.jpg

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Item Name: **The Gardens on Forest (Facade & Gardens only)**

Location: **764 Forest Road, Peakhurst [Hurstville]**

Image:



Caption: 2009 aerial photograph of the site

Copyright: Nearmap

Image by: Nearmap

Image Date: 14/10/2009

Image Number:

Image Path:

Image File: 764 Forest Rd, Peakhurst_Roslyn Gardens_2009.jpg

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Image:



Caption: 2010 aerial photograph of the site

Copyright: Nearmap

Image by: Nearmap

Image Date: 8/01/2010

Image Number:

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Image File: 764 Forest Rd, Peakhurst_Roslyn Gardens_2010.jpg

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Item Name: **Fig Tree**

Location: **Lambert Reserve, White Gates Avenue, Peakhurst Heights**

Address: Lambert Reserve, White Gates Avenue

Planning: Sydney South

Suburb / Nearest Town: Peakhurst Heights 2210

Historic Region: Sydney

Local Govt Area: Hurstville

Parish: St George

State: NSW

County: Cumberland

Other/Former Names:

Area/Group/Complex:

Group ID:

Aboriginal Area:

Curtilage/Boundary:

Item Type: Landscape

Group: Parks, Gardens and T Category: Trees of social, histori

Owner: Local Government

Admin Codes:

Code 2:

Code 3:

Current Use:

Former Uses:

Assessed Significance: **Local**

Endorsed Significance:

Statement of Significance: This tree is of high aesthetic significance and is considered a landmark in the streetscape and Lambert Reserve. It was planted by John Lambert at the time when Peakhurst Heights was designated 'Green Belt' in the County of Cumberland.

Historical Notes or Provenance: This tree was planted by John Lambert who owned and operated the White Gates Piggery at the time when Peakhurst Heights was designated 'Green Belt' in the County of Cumberland plan and the area was predominately rural with piggeries and market gardens operating in the area. John Lambert and his wife Christina were two influential members of the community; John was a stretcher bearer in World War One, and the Police Sergeant at Mortdale. He was also active in youth work, his home provided a telephone contact to the local community and he started the South Peakhurst Progress Association.

Themes: National Theme

State Theme

Local Theme

4. Settlement

Towns, suburbs and village (none)

Designer:

Maker / Builder:

Year Started:

Year Completed:

Circa: No

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Item Name: **Fig Tree**

Location: **Lambert Reserve, White Gates Avenue, Peakhurst Heights**

Physical Description: Single mature Fig tree, located on White Gates Avenue side of Lambert Reserve.

Physical Condition:

Modification Dates:

Recommended Management: Maintain the tree as part of the Council's park management and maintenance program.

Management: Statutory Instrument List on a Local Environmental Plan (LEP)

Further Comments:

Criteria a) The tree was planted by John Lambert at the time when Peakhurst Heights was designated 'Green Belt' in the County of Cumberland.

Criteria b) The tree has association with John Lambert on whom Lambert Reserve named after.

Criteria c) The tree is of high aesthetic significance and is considered a landmark.

Criteria d)

Criteria e)

Criteria f) Moreton Bay Figs are widely used as a feature tree in public parks and gardens in warm climates. However, this is one of few old specimens found in the Hurstville LGA.

Criteria g)

Integrity / Intactness: Intact

References:

Studies:	Author	Title	Number	Year
	City Plan Heritage	Hurstville Community Based Heritage Study Review	49	2012

Parcels:

Latitude:

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Location validity:

Spatial Accuracy:

Map Name:

Map Scale:

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Listings:	Name:	Title:	Number:	Date:
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Custom Field Four:

Custom Field Five:

Custom Field Six:

Data Entry:

Date First Entered: 03/07/2012

Date Updated: 26/10/2012

Status: Basic

Image:



Caption: Fig Tree in Lambert Reserve, White Gates Avenue, Peakhurst Heights

Copyright: Hurstville City Council

Image by: City Plan Heritage

Image Date: 17/06/2012

Image Number:

Image Path:

Image File: tn_White Gates Ave, Peakhurst Fig tree.JPG

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Location: **16A Isaac Street, Peakhurst [Hurstville]**

Address: 16A Isaac Street

Planning: Sydney South

Suburb / Nearest Town: Peakhurst 2210

Historic Region: Sydney

Local Govt Area: Hurstville

Parish:

State:

County:

Other/Former Names:

Area/Group/Complex:

Group ID:

Aboriginal Area:

Curtilage/Boundary:

Item Type: Landscape

Group: Parks, Gardens and T Category: Tree

Owner: Local Government

Admin Codes:

Code 2:

Code 3:

Current Use: Public park

Former Uses: Public park

Assessed Significance: **Local**

Endorsed Significance:

Statement of Significance: Brought from the Old Government House in Parramatta by Mrs Pickering who previously worked there, this tree is of high aesthetic significance and is considered a landmark within the landscape of this small suburban park. The Pickerings were among the earliest residents in the district who moved into the area in 1824.

Historical Notes or Provenance: This tree was from Government House, Parramatta, where Mrs Pickering previously worked. Gowan Pickering and his wife (formerly Mary Toft) moved to Peakhurst from the Cow Pastures at Appin to Tyrell's farm in 1824, so they were among the earliest residents in the district. (Information from Peakhurst in early days, by D. J. Hatton, p. 30)

Themes: National Theme

State Theme

Local Theme

4. Settlement

Towns, suburbs and village (none)

Designer:

Maker / Builder:

Year Started: 1850

Year Completed: 1850

Circa: Yes

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Item Name: **Fig Tree in Pickering Park**

Location: **16A Isaac Street, Peakhurst [Hurstville]**

Physical Description: Single mature Fig tree, located at in Pickering Park close to Piece Avenue boundary. Pickering Park is defined by a number of perimeter trees along Piece Avenue and Isaac Street and most likely once was part of the landscape associated with the Hurstville Golf Course prior to the subdivision of the area.

Physical Condition: Appears in good condition.

Modification Dates:

Recommended Management: Maintain and preserve the tree within the Park as a public space. Undertake regular maintenance and inspection as part of the Council's parks maintenance program.

Management: Statutory Instrument List on a Local Environmental Plan (LEP)

Further Comments:

Criteria a) This tree was from Government House, Parramatta, where Mrs Pickering previously worked.

Criteria b) This tree has association with Gowan Pickering and his wife (formerly Mary Toft).

Criteria c) The tree is of high aesthetic significance and is considered a landmark.

Criteria d) This Fig tree has a social significance as part of the landscape of the local area since the mid-1850s.

Criteria e) Potential for providing information on the old Fig trees that were planted in the Old Government House exists.

Criteria f) Moreton Bay Figs are widely used as a feature tree in public parks and gardens in warm climates. However, this is one of few old specimens found in the Hurstville LGA.

Criteria g) The Fig tree is representative of Fig trees that were planted in the 1850s.

Integrity / Intactness: Highly intact.

References:

Studies:

Parcels:

Latitude:

Longitude:

Location validity:

Spatial Accuracy:

Map Name:

Map Scale:

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Listings:

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Custom Field One:

Custom Field Two:

Custom Field Three:

Custom Field Four:

Custom Field Five:

Custom Field Six:

Data Entry:

Date First Entered: 31/10/2012

Date Updated: 14/11/2012

Status: Basic

Image:



Caption: Fig Tree in Pickering Park

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