

Hunter Water S170 Register

SHI No.: Name:
3630077 Cessnock 2 Waste Water Pumping Station

Location 125 Melbourne St, Aberdare NSW 2325

Other ID nos IW ID: 86. Other ID: SSABE038.



Description:

A small scale painted timber framed and weather board clad building on an inground tank. It has a stopped hip galvanised steel roof, timber vents to gables, timber fascia and slatted soffit. There is a flush recent door, and shutters to the lower section of the windows and over light.

Significance:

A well-detailed example of a timber wastewater pumping station, demonstrating the expansion of municipal sewerage services into the 1920s. It remains in service for its original function.

Assessed Significance: Local

Endorsed Significance: Local

Historical Notes:

Constructed: c. 1928-1933

The need for a sewerage scheme for the Cessnock region was first emphasised in 1919, causing the Public Works Department to draw up three possible schemes. These plans were all deemed to costly however, and the proposal was deferred. From July 1921 the question of the provision of sewerage for the Cessnock District once again formed the subject of correspondence between the Minister for Public Works and the Board. In 1926 the Engineering Experts' Committee revised the original schemes, and in September 1928, following approval by the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works, work began on one of these revised schemes. The area included in the scheme covered the greater part of the towns of Cessnock and Aberdare, with the provision for an extension to Bellbird at a later date. 1931 saw the passage of the Cessnock Sewerage Act, and the Public Works Department completed the Cessnock Sewerage scheme in 1932. The major portion of works covered by the scheme was transferred to the Board on 13th June 1933.

Under the scheme a main sewer would run along Black Creek and discharge into collecting wells, from here the sewage would be pumped to the treatment works, which were to be located further down Black Creek. Sewage from areas in Aberdare would be served by Cessnock No. 2 Wastewater Pumping Station, which would lift this effluent, enabling it to gravitate to the No. 1 Pumping Station in Cessnock

Designer/Builder: Public Works Department

Current Use: Wastewater pumping station

Former Uses:

Physical Condition:

There is some rot to lower boarding of the building.

Further Information:

The building is situated in open, cleared area on mounded ground.

Recommended Management:

- This item contributes to local character and should be conserved.
- Original details should be maintained including doors, windows and original signage.
- New materials should be sympathetic to the nature and character of the original building.
- In the event of major proposed changes, prepare a Conservation Management Strategy and undertake an archival recording.
- Wherever possible, changes should be restricted to the interior of the building.
- Routine maintenance of existing fabric is essential.

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Listings:

- 1 *Heritage Act - s.170 NSW State agency heritage register:*
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