

# *GLENALVON*

Pt. Por 91 & 94 Town of Campbelltown, Lot 1 DP 34658

No. 8 Lithgow Street. Campbelltown

Built: c.1840





## **HISTORY AND DESCRIPTION:**

One of the finest examples of this classical type of colonial house in New South Wales. Glenalvon was built by Michael Byrne by 1841, architect unknown. Land was allocated to Byrne in 1827 and given formal possession in 1831. Subsequent owners were John Keighran, who owned a local flour mill, Edwin Fieldhouse, S. Bursill and Mrs. Davidson. It has a history of good maintenance.

Behind the house are the old stone stables, contemporary with the house, with their dormer windows, gables and bargeboards, adding a picturesque note to the composition.

Beautifully maintained, with pleasant garden setting close to the present town centre, Glenalvon was acquired by the then State Planning Authority (now DIPNR) in 1963 to ensure its preservation and renovation with sensitivity in 1969. A most successful preservation achievement and a building that the SPA could be proud of.

The main building is of golden stonework, symmetrical in design. Features include a paved verandah with Doric columns at the front and flat timber posts at the rear. There are six paneled doors, twelve pane windows and shuttered french windows and two chimneys. Cedar joinery and a geometric staircase are originals of the interior.

## **CONDITION AND USE:**

Conditions – excellent. Architects for renovations, J. Fisher and C. Lucas. Stables used by Campbelltown and Airds Historical Society as a museum. The building is will kept by its tenants.

## **HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE:**

- A superb example of a classical type of colonial home. Close to the town centre and easily seen. Played an important role in the early development of Campbelltown, associated with early civic life.

## **HERITAGE LISTING:**

**LOCAL:** LEP 2002

**STATE:** *Proudfoot:* Index No. 63 Category 1

*Macarthur Regional Heritage Study:* Map 5, No. 83

*Heritage Act 1977:* Listed Item - PCO No. 4 G.G. 57, 27/04/79

*National Trust (NSW):* Classified

**FEDERAL:** *Heritage Commission (National Estate):* Registered