

# *BRIAR COTTAGE*

Lot 43 DP 261258 Waterhouse Place, Airs



## **HISTORY AND DESCRIPTION:**

A substantial Edwardian tuckpointed brick house with a hipped Marseilles tile roof and terra cotta roof ridging an iron ventilator that is centrally placed. It has pebble dash in the gables on the chimneys and above the bay windows set out into the verandahs on either corner of the front elevation. There is considerable use of turned timber detailing in the verandahs that extends around three sides of the house. The casement windows have coloured glass squares across the top and there is some coloured leadlight around the front door. Inside there is a glazed leadlight door, a Wunderlich pressed metal railing and typical timber fireplaces decorated with mirrors and small coloured glass fronted cabinets.

The cottage was previously known as Dorchester Farm and had an address in Briar Road.

Date of construction is unknown, though it was occupied in 1915 by J.R. Morgan.

It is possible that the small cottage behind the main building forms part of the original farm buildings.

The building has lost its orientation due to subdivision for housing estates.

## **CONDITION AND USE:**

Now used by Campbelltown Council as a Child Care Centre, leased from the Department of Housing.

Considering that the building is now used as a childcare center, the aesthetic significance of the exterior of the building has been retained. Very few changes have been made to the structure of the building and fencing is unobtrusive.

## **HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE:**

- The building has Historic and Architectural Significance
- It is also of local significance to Campbelltown because
  - it is an intact example of substantial federation style architecture which is rare in Campbelltown; and
  - it lends distinction to the neighborhood

## **HERITAGE LISTING:**

**LOCAL:** LEP 2002

**STATE:** *National Trust (NSW):* Classified