MILESTONES

From the Crossroads to Campbelltown – Campbelltown Road
Stone blocks indicating distances, built c.1854







HISTORY AND DESCRIPTION:

These colonial milestones are hewn from blocks of stone and numbered with Roman numerals.

Eg. CAMPBELLTOWN - IV

They stand about 76.2 cm (2'6") to 91.4 cm (3') high on the left side of the old alignment of Campbelltown Road. The section containing the name and numeral is whitewashed.

They were put in place in 1854 after Governor Macquarie had reserved the site for the town of Campbelltown in 1820.

The erection of milestones on the Liverpool-Campbelltown Road in 1854 had a special significance which was noted in the Sydney Morning Herald on the 4 November 1854 "The Commissioners of the Road Trust are placing milestones between Liverpool and Campbelltown making the starting place the obelisk of about 12 feet high and similar to the one in Macqaurie Place in the City of Sydney". This obelisk, which originally stood at the corner of George and Moore Streets, now stands outside Liverpool Railway Station.

CONDITION AND USE:

Of the ten (10) milestones believed to be within the Campbelltown area, six (6) were found (20.10.93). There condition varies.

HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE:

• The milestones have Historical and Group significance

• They have an association with early road transport to Campbelltown, giving indication of distance between towns.

HERITAGE LISTING:

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