

## *OLD WEDDERBURN POST OFFICE*

Pt. Por 32 Parish of Wedderburn, Wedderburn Road, Wedderburn  
Stone Building Built before 1896



## **HISTORY AND DESCRIPTION:**

After a petition was signed by Wedderburn residents to Australia Post for a mail service, Miss Elizabeth H Greenwood opened a post office in her small stone cottage on Lot 32 Wedderburn Road, Wedderburn in March 1896. Mr Michael O'Shannessy delivered the mail to the Wedderburn Post office on horseback three (3) days a week – Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Church services were also held in Miss Greenwood's cottage until the Union Church, built on land given by Elizabeth, opened in 1898.

In 1923 the telephone exchange was connected to the post office with (10) subscribers plus a party line used by two (2) subscribers. Following the serious illness of Miss Greenwood in 1927, when she was admitted to Camden Hospital for a length time the post office activities were initially transferred to Mrs J.A. Dixon residence. But the post office was later closed in the latter half of 1927 when Mrs Dixon left the district. Miss Greenwood lived in the cottage for nine (9) more years before selling to Aaron and Muriel Corderoy in 1936. The property was sold to Mr Jimmy Hanioty in 1944 and then to Mr C & Mr S.K. Parker in December 1993.

## **CONDITION AND USE:**

The building has been neglected for sometime with only external walls remaining. However, given the small proportion and stability of the sandstone walls. It is still structurally sound and capable of restoration.

## **HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE:**

- The building has historic and social significance
- An early Wedderburn building, associated with the post mistress Elizabeth Greenwood.

## **HERITAGE LISTING:**

**LOCAL:** LEP 171