

ST HELENS PARK HOUSE & DAM

Lot 60 DP 739072 (House), Lot 2 DP 791082 & Lot 252 DP 703991 (Dam)

St Helens Park Drive, St Helens Park

Two Storey Neo-gothic mansion, built 1887.



HISTORY AND DESCRIPTION:

This high Victorian mansion stands on land granted to John Wild, who named it "Egypt Farm". This house was built much later, in 1887, to a design by GA Mansfield for the then owner Mr Westgarth, who was Mansfield's father-in-law. The stone is from Menangle, the contractor was George Lusted. Still symmetrical, the building breaks into an elaborate arrangement of picturesque gables at the roofline.

Some associated buildings in the same stone at the rear.

Internal and external details are intact except that a new kitchen has replaced the original and a small service wing of the one storey is situated at the rear.

CONDITION AND USE:

Was used as a boarding school for boys (St Helen's School) for a time. Well maintained over the years. Now used as a dwelling.

HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE:

- The mansion has historic, architectural and aesthetic significance
- A very fine example of the High Victorian mansion by leading practitioner of the period. A highly picturesque building of considerable architectural interest.

HERITAGE LISTING:

LOCAL: LEP 2002

STATE: *Proudfoot:* Index No. 103, Category 1

Macarthur Regional Heritage Study: Map 5, No. 92

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