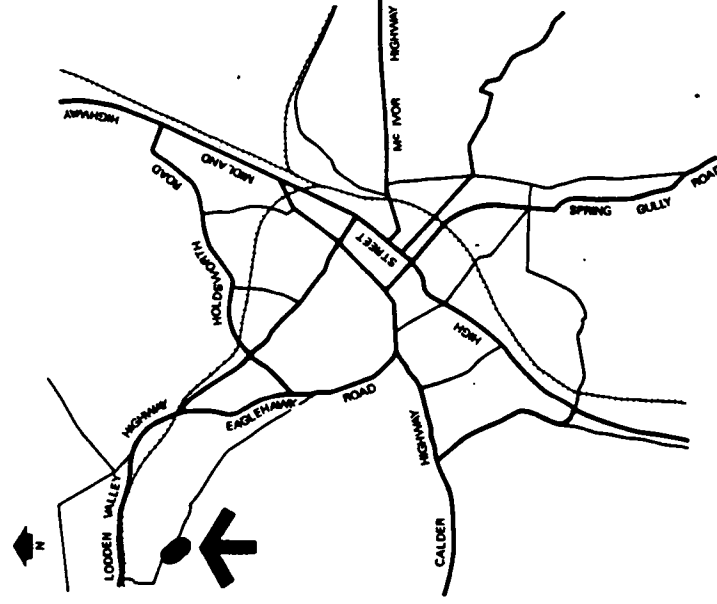


3.11

HARVEY TOWN PRECINCT



3.11.1.

PRECINCT DESCRIPTION.

This is a group of four dwelling houses in a rural setting in Clarke Street, Harvey Town. (See plan No. 11.)

Harvey Town was once a large mining area with its own shops, churches and hotels. The four remaining stone cottages were built by the Harvey family between the 1850's and 1870's. They were obviously the most substantial buildings in the area at the time. (See photos Nos.77, 78 & 79.)

Three of the cottages have been classified as a group by the National Trust and the citation describes them as follows :

"A group of three simple sandstone cottages built by the Harvey family of Cornish stone-masons in about 1875."

Jan Neil* suggests the cottages were built in the 1850's.

* Neil, J., Bendigo, The Golden Age Retraced, Mullaya, 1973.
P.26.

**PLAN II:
HARVEY TOWN PRECINCT
CONSERVATION
OPPORTUNITIES**



The cottages are all of a very simple rectangular design with small windows and no ornamentation. The largest of the cottages set some distance apart from the others is an imposing location on a small rise and has a small terrace and a number of steps down from its front door. It also has timber extensions at the rear.

The cottages are generally in good conditions and are inhabited at the present time. Unfortunately, one has recently been covered with "false brick work". This does have the advantage of protecting the stone work underneath, but in terms of visual appearance it can only be described as atrocious!

3.11.2. CONSERVATION OBJECTIVES AND MANAGEMENT.

The rural setting is a major element in the character of this precinct. If new houses were to be constructed between or adjacent to the stone cottages the area would lose much of its historic impact. Planning controls to prevent new development in the immediate vicinity should be introduced and defacement of the cottages prohibited.

It is recommended that the five stone buildings identified by reference to Plan No. 10 be listed in the Borough of Eaglehawk Planning Scheme as "Protected Buildings", and the demolition, alteration or defacement in any way be controlled by reference to guidelines and procedures detailed in Section 4 of this report.



Photo No. 77.
Stone cottages,
Clark Street,
Harvey Town.

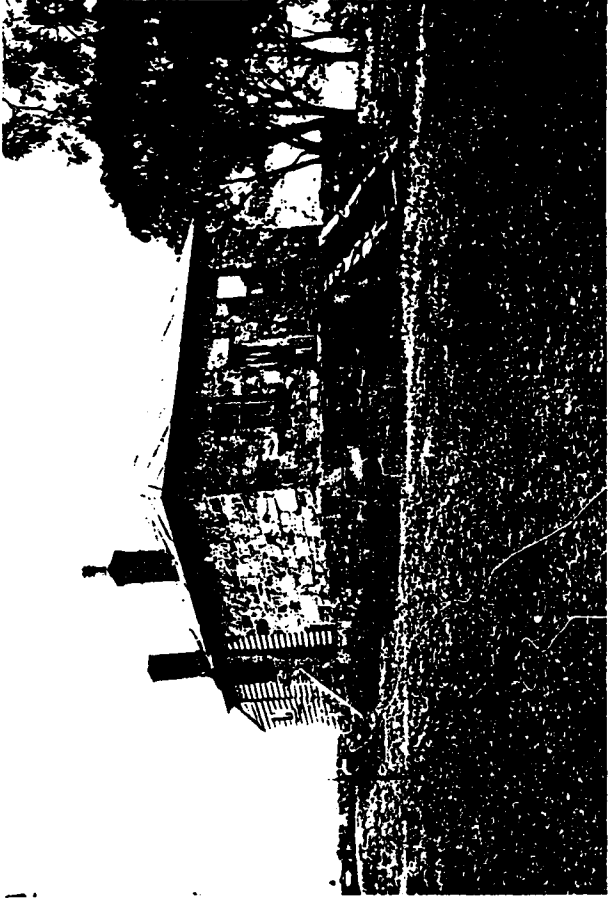


Photo No. 78.
Stone cottage,
James Street,
Harvey Town.



Photo No. 79.
Stone ruins,
James Street,
Harvey Town.

Harvey Town Cottages . (nos 5 + 8 Clarke St. + Mr Oates Cottage)

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