

INVENTORY of SITES & ITEMS

CT

CHARLESTOWN

INVENTORY SUMMARY - LIST OF SITES & ITEMS

CHARLESTOWN - CT

ITEM No.	DESCRIPTION and LOCATION	TYPE	SIGNIFICANCE			
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CHARLESTOWN - CT						
CT-01	MINER'S COTTAGES GROUP, CHARLESTOWN Rd, CHARLESTOWN More historical information needed (see inventory)	DW		M	V	
CT-02	OFFICE OF J.R. FACE MP, 23 SMITH St, CHARLESTOWN	DW			H	
CT-03	COTTAGE, 32 SMITH STREET, CHARLESTOWN More information needed, particularly the history of the cottage.	DW		M	H	
CT-04	BRICK COTTAGE, 36 SMITH STREET, CHARLESTOWN More information needed, particularly the history of the cottage.	DW		M	H	
CT-05	PRESBYTERIAN KINDERGARTEN, SMART St, CHARLESTOWN More information needed.	CH			-	
CT-06	HOUSE, 309 CHARLESTOWN Rd, CHARLESTOWN	DW			M	
INVENTORY SUMMARY - LIST OF SITES & ITEMS						

CITY OF LAKE MACQUARIE

HERITAGE STUDY

NAME/IDENTITY: CHARLESTOWN Rd, MINER'S COTTAGES GROUP, CHARLESTOWN ITEM No. CT - 01

PREVIOUS/OTHER NAMES OR USES:

ADDRESS: 300,304,306,308 Charlestown Road
Charlestown 2290

S.H.I.P. REF. No.

DATE INSPECTED: November 1992

PARISH: Kahibah

COUNTY: Northumberland

BY: Doring

PRESENT OWNER (Name & Address):

Various

REAL PROPERTY DESCRIPTION:

Lots 2, 4, 5, 6, DP 33470

SITE AREA: Residential 2(a)

CURRENT ZONING: Part. Sp. Uses 5(c)

CATEGORY: Buildings

MAP 1:25000 No. 9232-3-S Local Road
NAME: WALLSEND
GRID: 778 521

SUBCATEGORY: Single storey residences

HISTORICAL THEMES:

S.H.I.P. Themes:

LOCAL Themes:

HISTORICAL PERIOD - BUILT: 1876-1900

USED: until now

BUILDER: Waratah Coal Company

DATE BUILT: c1880s

ARCHITECT/DESIGNER:

PHOTOGRAPH &/OR SKETCH PLAN (and caption):

The four remaining cottages of eight originally built by the Waratah Coal Company in Charlestown Road. The cottages are, from right to left: No.300, partly obscured by a road sign; No.304, left of the electricity pole in the foreground; No.306; and No.308 on the left. (Doring Neg.441.33)



Doring Neg. 441.32,33,36,37

ITEM No. CT - 01

CITY OF LAKE MACQUARIE

HERITAGE STUDY

NAME/IDENTITY CHARLESTOWN Rd, MINER'S COTTAGES GROUP, CHARLESTOWN ITEM No. CT - 01																							
KNOWN HERITAGE LISTINGS: Section 130 Order under the NSW Heritage Act																							
PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS Architectural Style: Vernacular/primitive Worker's Cottage																							
MATERIALS - Frame: Timber	Roof: Gable, cgi, gable ends at sides, lean-to at rear																						
Walls/Cladding: Lapped w'boards, front & sides	Windows: Orig. dh, 2 panes each sash																						
Interior:	Floors:																						
DESCRIPTION: The remaining 4 cottages of the 8 built by Waratah Coal Company have had some changes to materials (eg. windows and cladding) but they are essentially the same in form as when they were built. The cottages have gable roofs running from side to side, skillion lean-tos at the back, verandahs across the front pitched separately from the roof, a central front door with windows each side. Cladding was wedge profile lapped weatherboards, windows were double-hung with 2 panes each sash. There is (or was) no decoration.																							
MODIFICATIONS: Window frames and cladding have been altered to a greater or lesser extent on some cottages.																							
PRESENT USE: Domestic residences																							
HISTORICAL NOTES: Said to have been built by the Waratah colliery in the early 1880s (the pit was in Raspberry Gully - near Helen St) for the use of strike-breaking mine workers brought in from Sydney (hence the name Scab Row for the cottages). <div style="text-align: center;">Date of strikes & date of construction needed.</div>																							
REFERENCES: Nilsen, L.(ed), "Lake Macquarie: Past & Present", pub. LMCC 1985. Charlestown Miner's Cottages Group, Application for a S130 Order, LMCC 1991 N'cle Herald - 3.10.91, 3.12.91, 14.12.91, 30.3.92																							
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE: The cottages provide physical evidence to demonstrate the way of life of the Charlestown mining community in the 19th century. The cottages are a physical reminder of the labour strikes at Raspberry Gully and attempts by the coal company at strike breaking in the 1880s, thus they also have significance in the labour history of NSW. The cottages are exemplars of the way of life of early Charlestown settlers, and evoke feelings in the district of a continuing association with the mining community. The cottages are the only remaining obvious relics of the Waratah Coal Company (the founders of Charlestown) and its nearby Raspberry Gully pit. The cottages are representative of the prevailing style of building in the coal fields of the 19th Century. Comparable groups of such early buildings are now rare. Regional Significance - moderate Local Significance - very high																							

ITEM No. CT - 01

CITY OF LAKE MACQUARIE

HERITAGE STUDY

NAME/IDENTITY: OFFICE OF J.R. FACE MP, 23 SMITH St, CHARLESTOWN ITEM No. CT - 02

PREVIOUS/OTHER NAMES OR USES:

Built as a house, used as a hospital, then as the Presbyterian Manse to 1987

ADDRESS: 23 Smith Street
Charlestown 2290

S.H.I.P. REF. No.

DATE INSPECTED: November 1992

PARISH: KAHIBAH

COUNTY: Northumberland

BY: Doring

PRESENT OWNER (Name & Address):

REAL PROPERTY DESCRIPTION:

SITE AREA:

CURRENT ZONING:

CATEGORY: Building

MAP 1:25000 No. 9232-3-S

SUBCATEGORY: Single storey house

NAME: WALLSEND

GRID: 781 587

HISTORICAL THEMES:

S.H.I.P. Themes:

LOCAL Themes:

HISTORICAL PERIOD - BUILT: 1901-1925

USED: until now

BUILDER:

DATE BUILT: 1915-20

ARCHITECT/DESIGNER:

PHOTOGRAPH &/OR SKETCH PLAN (and caption):
viewed from the south-east.23 Smith Street, Charlestown,
(Doring Neg.443.02)

ITEM No. CT - 02

CITY OF LAKE MACQUARIE

HERITAGE STUDY

NAME/IDENTITY	OFFICE OF J.R. FACE MP, 23 SMITH St, CHARLESTOWN	ITEM No. CT - 02																				
KNOWN HERITAGE LISTINGS:																						
<p>PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS</p> <p>Architectural Style: Federation Bungalow</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"><tr><td style="width: 33%;">MATERIALS - Frame: Timber</td><td style="width: 33%;">Roof: hipped & gabled, cgi</td><td style="width: 33%;"></td></tr><tr><td>Walls/Cladding: Rebated w'boards</td><td>Windows: dh in pairs. top sash with arched head</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Interior: fib. plaster ceilings, ac walls</td><td>Floors: timber</td><td></td></tr></table>			MATERIALS - Frame: Timber	Roof: hipped & gabled, cgi		Walls/Cladding: Rebated w'boards	Windows: dh in pairs. top sash with arched head		Interior: fib. plaster ceilings, ac walls	Floors: timber												
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Interior: fib. plaster ceilings, ac walls	Floors: timber																					
<p>DESCRIPTION: Wide hipped roof has projecting gabled wings on south & east & a return verandah joining the wings. The verandah has been partly built in, but sufficient balustrading and lyre shaped brackets remain to permit authentic reinstatement. The east & south gable ends have decorative shingling and ornate hoods over the double windows. Inside, fibrous plaster ceilings to the hall & main rooms have grapevine and floral patterns in panels and cornices.</p>																						
<p>MODIFICATIONS: Partly enclosed verandah.</p>																						
<p>PRESENT USE: Electorate office</p>																						
<p>HISTORICAL NOTES: Said to have been a private maternity hospital in the 1930s, it later became the Charlestown Presbyterian Manse (the church is behind the house). About 1987 it changed hands and became the electorate office for the local State M.P. Thought to have been built by a pioneer Charlestown family. More information needed</p>																						
<p>REFERENCES: Verbal information from local persons</p>																						
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<p>STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE: A good-looking and substantially intact example of the local version of a Federation Bungalow, with characteristic local detailing. This moderate sized house is one of very few of its quality still surviving in Charlestown. The plaster ceilings are good examples of Federation era trade crafts.</p> <p>The house has very strong associations with the social history of Charlestown, it having been the hospital in which many local people were born, and later, for many years, a centre for the Presbyterian parishioners.</p>																						
Local Significance - high		ITEM No. CT - 02																				

CITY OF LAKE MACQUARIE

HERITAGE STUDY

NAME/IDENTITY: COTTAGE, 32 SMITH STREET, CHARLESTOWN

ITEM No. CT - 03

PREVIOUS/OTHER NAMES OR USES:

ADDRESS: 32 Smith Street
Charlestown 2290

S.H.I.P. REF. No.

DATE INSPECTED: November 1992

PARISH: Kahibah

COUNTY: Northumberland

BY: Doring

PRESENT OWNER (Name & Address):

K. and D. Harrison
32 Smith Street
Charlestown 2290

REAL PROPERTY DESCRIPTION:

Lot 1 DP 213865

SITE AREA: 518.5m2

CURRENT ZONING: Residential 2(c)

CATEGORY: Building

MAP 1:25000 No. 9232-3-S

SUBCATEGORY: Single storey residence

NAME: WALLSEND

GRID: 781 517

HISTORICAL THEMES:

S.H.I.P. Themes:

LOCAL Themes:

HISTORICAL PERIOD - BUILT: 1876-1900

USED: until now

BUILDER:

DATE BUILT: c1880s ?

ARCHITECT/DESIGNER:

PHOTOGRAPH &/OR SKETCH PLAN (and caption):
Charlestown, viewed from the west.The cottage at 32 Smith St,
(Doring Neg.443.03)

ITEM No. CT - 03

CITY OF LAKE MACQUARIE

HERITAGE STUDY

NAME/IDENTITY COTTAGE, 32 SMITH STREET, CHARLESTOWN

ITEM No. CT - 03

KNOWN HERITAGE LISTINGS:

PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Architectural Style: Vernacular/primitive Worker's Cottage

MATERIALS - Frame: Timber

Roof: cgi on gable with skillion
rear lean-to & front verandahWalls/Cladding: Lapped w'boards
pit-sawn on north side ?

Windows: dh, 2 panes each sash

Interior:

Floors:

DESCRIPTION: This simple small cottage appears to be intact, with a well-built brick chimney, and its original windows and cladding. Weatherboards on the side wall are cut using the undressed edge of logs. They could be re-used pitsawn timber.

MODIFICATIONS: none noticed

PRESENT USE: domestic dwelling

HISTORICAL NOTES: Smith Street was the first "main street" of Charlestown, containing a school, police station, bank, and other businesses. The cottage could have been part of this development, or may have been a miner's cottage, like its counterparts in Charlestown Rd.

More information needed

REFERENCES:

EVALUATION CRITERIA:

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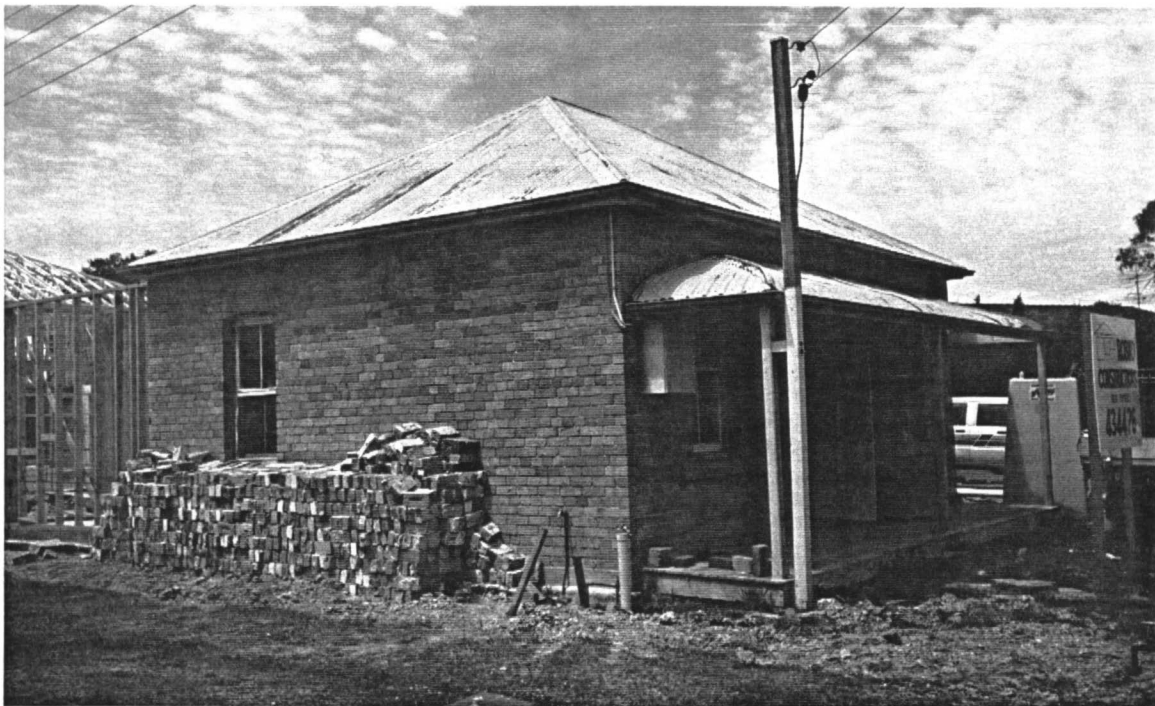
STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE: An exemplar of the classic Victorian worker's cottage, being unusually intact and in excellent condition. Like the Charlestown Road group, this cottage provides physical evidence to demonstrate the way of life of the Charlestown community in the 19th century. The cottage is representative of the prevailing style of building in the coal fields of the 19th Century. Comparable cottages, in equally good condition and equally intact, are now rare.

Regional Significance - moderate
Local Significance - high

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CITY OF LAKE MACQUARIE

HERITAGE STUDY

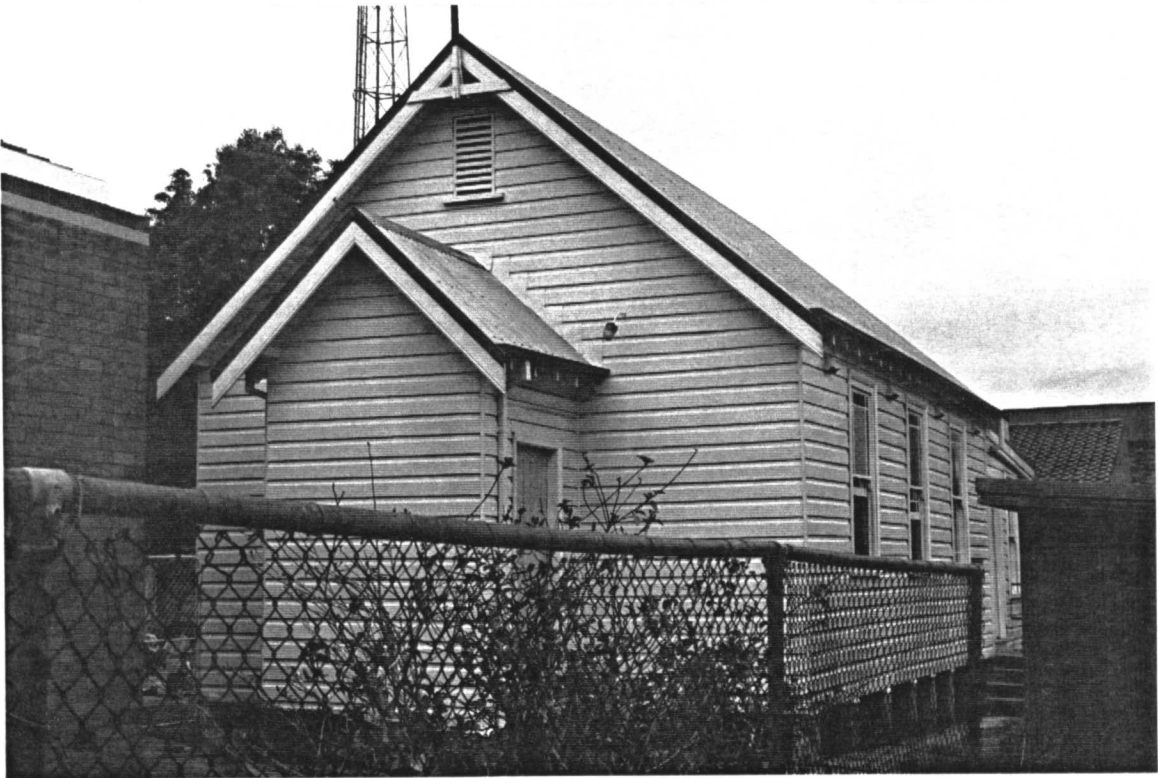
NAME/IDENTITY: BRICK COTTAGE, 36 SMITH STREET, CHARLESTOWN		ITEM No. CT - 04
PREVIOUS/OTHER NAMES OR USES:		
ADDRESS: 36 Smith Street Charlestown 2290		S.H.I.P. REF. No.
PARISH: Kahibah COUNTY: Northumberland		DATE INSPECTED: November 1992
PRESENT OWNER (Name & Address): Mr Rick Vasers 60 Highfields Parade Highfields 2289		BY: Doring
CATEGORY: Building SUBCATEGORY: Single storey residence		REAL PROPERTY DESCRIPTION: Lot 4 Sec 0 DP 216 SITE AREA: 1011.7m2 CURRENT ZONING: Residential 2(c)
HISTORICAL THEMES: S.H.I.P. Themes: LOCAL Themes:		MAP 1:25000 No. 9232-3-S NAME: WALLSEND GRID: 781 516
HISTORICAL PERIOD - BUILT: 1876-1900		USED: ?
BUILDER:		DATE BUILT: c1880s
ARCHITECT/DESIGNER:		
PHOTOGRAPH &/OR SKETCH PLAN (and caption): Charlestown, viewed from the north.		Brick Cottage at 36 Smith Street, (Doring Neg.458.13)
		
		ITEM No. CT - 04

HERITAGE STUDY

Suters - Doring - Turner Study (1992)

CITY OF LAKE MACQUARIE

HERITAGE STUDY

NAME/IDENTITY: PRESBYTERIAN KINDERGARTEN, SMART St, CHARLESTOWN		ITEM No. CT - 05
PREVIOUS/OTHER NAMES OR USES: Former Presbyterian Church		
ADDRESS: 16 Smart Street Charlestown 2290		S.H.I.P. REF. No.
PARISH: Kahibah COUNTY: Northumberland		DATE INSPECTED: November 1992
PRESENT OWNER (Name & Address): The Uniting Church in Australia Property Trust 222 Pitt Street Sydney NSW 2001		BY: Doring
CATEGORY: Building SUBCATEGORY: Church		REAL PROPERTY DESCRIPTION: Lot 2 DP 507150 SITE AREA: 1922m2 CURRENT ZONING: General Bus. 3(a)
HISTORICAL THEMES: S.H.I.P. Themes: LOCAL Themes:		MAP 1:25000 No. 9232-3-S NAME: WALLSEND GRID: 781516
HISTORICAL PERIOD - BUILT: 1876-1900		USED: as church to c1960s
BUILDER:		DATE BUILT: c1890
ARCHITECT/DESIGNER:		
PHOTOGRAPH &/OR SKETCH PLAN (and caption): Smart Street, Charlestown, viewed from the north.		
The former Presbyterian Church, (Doring Neg.443.09)		
		
		ITEM No. CT - 05

CITY OF LAKE MACQUARIE

HERITAGE STUDY

NAME/IDENTITY PRESBYTERIAN KINDERGARTEN, SMART St, CHARLESTOWN ITEM No. CT - 05

KNOWN HERITAGE LISTINGS:

PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Architectural Style:

Vernacular Federation Carpenter Gothic

MATERIALS - Frame: Timber, with tapered concrete stumps

Roof: Gable, cgi

Walls/Cladding: Rebated w'board

Windows: dh, coloured & figured glass

Interior:

Floors:

DESCRIPTION: Simple gable roofed timber church, with a tiny porch at the north end and a skillion roofed lean-to vestry at the south end. Coloured glass panes in the double hung windows are about the only decoration, apart from a small finial.

The church has been converted to a kindergarten and a new church built in front of it on the street. The original church is now out of sight of passers-by.

MODIFICATIONS: No external modifications noticed. It was said that the old church was moved when the new church was built, but there is no evidence that this was so.

PRESENT USE: Kindergarten

HISTORICAL NOTES:

More information needed

REFERENCES: Verbal information from local persons

EVALUATION CRITERIA:

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE: Not determined. More information is needed.

Regional Significance -
Local Significance -

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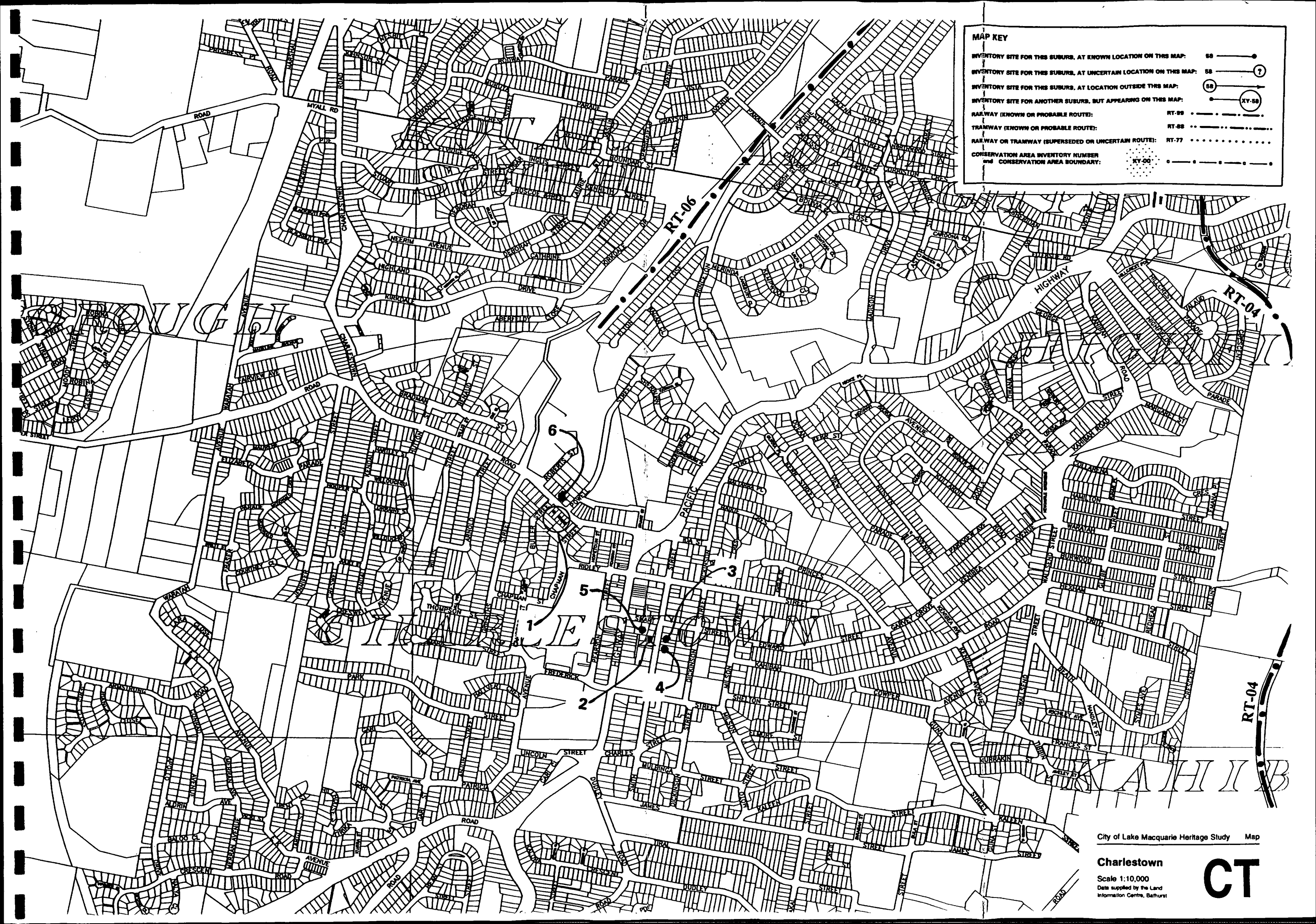
HERITAGE STUDY

NAME/IDENTITY: HOUSE, 309 CHARLESTOWN Rd, CHARLESTOWN		ITEM No. CT - 06
PREVIOUS/OTHER NAMES OR USES:		
ADDRESS: 309 Charlestown Road Charlestown, 2290		S.H.I.P. REF. No.
PARISH: Kahibah COUNTY: Northumberland		DATE INSPECTED: November 1992
PRESENT OWNER (Name & Address): Mr R and Mrs J. McLean 309 Charlestown Road Charlestown 2290		BY: Doring
CATEGORY:		REAL PROPERTY DESCRIPTION: Lot 2 Sec 10 DP 4581
SUBCATEGORY:		SITE AREA: 825.3m2 CURRENT ZONING: Residential 2(a)
HISTORICAL THEMES: S.H.I.P. Themes: LOCAL Themes:		MAP 1:25000 No. 9232-3-S NAME: WALLSEND GRID: 751 542
HISTORICAL PERIOD - BUILT: 1900-1925		USED: until now
BUILDER:		DATE BUILT: c1910
ARCHITECT/DESIGNER:		
PHOTOGRAPH &/OR SKETCH PLAN (and caption): viewed from the south-west		
<p>House at 309 Charlestown Road, (Doring Neg.441.36)</p> 		
		ITEM No. CT - 06

CITY OF LAKE MACQUARIE

HERITAGE STUDY

NAME/IDENTITY	HOUSE, 309 CHARLESTOWN Rd, CHARLESTOWN	ITEM No. CT - 06
KNOWN HERITAGE LISTINGS:		
PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS		
Architectural Style:	Federation Working Man's House	
MATERIALS - Frame:	timber	Roof: hipped & gabled, cgi
Walls/Cladding:	rebated weatherboards	Windows: tall dh, 2-pane sashes front, coloured glass top sash.
Interior:		Floors:
DESCRIPTION: This simple, but larger than usual house (in this area) is relatively intact, and helps to provide the setting for the old miner's cottages on the other side of the road (CT-01). It retains Victorian features such as the stone stumps, tall side windows, & bullnose verandah cladding, but also has purely Edwardian details such as the coloured cathedral glass top sash and bracketed hood on the front window.		
MODIFICATIONS: Small front window under the verandah, and pair of small double hung windows at the back of the west wall.		
PRESENT USE: domestic residence		
HISTORICAL NOTES: nothing known		
REFERENCES:		
EVALUATION CRITERIA:		
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE: Typical of many such houses in Lake Macquarie, but well maintained, relatively intact, and in a prominent position, where many cottages of a similar age have been replaced. It complements the surviving old Miner's Cottages on the other side of the road (CT-01).		
Local Significance - moderate		ITEM No. CT - 06



MAP KEY

INVENTORY SITE FOR THIS SUBURB, AT KNOWN LOCATION ON THIS MAP: SS ———●———

INVENTORY SITE FOR THIS SUBURB, AT UNCERTAIN LOCATION ON THIS MAP: SS ———⑦———

INVENTORY SITE FOR THIS SUBURB, AT LOCATION OUTSIDE THIS MAP: SS ———(SS)———

INVENTORY SITE FOR ANOTHER SUBURB, BUT APPEARING ON THIS MAP: ———●(XY-SS)———

RAILWAY (KNOWN OR PROBABLE ROUTE): RT-SS ———+———

TRAMWAY (KNOWN OR PROBABLE ROUTE): RT-SS ———+———

RAILWAY OR TRAMWAY (SUPERSEDED OR UNCERTAIN ROUTE): RT-77 ———+———

CONSERVATION AREA INVENTORY NUMBER and CONSERVATION AREA BOUNDARY: XY-SS ———●———