

Waihi Railway Station Historic Area



Location: Wrigley Street, Waihi

Heritage Status

Historic Places Trust Registration Number: 7329

Historic Places Trust Category: Registered Historic Area

HDC Heritage Category: A - Heritage Area. National or Outstanding Regional Significance

Other:

Physical Description: The Historic area includes the structures, land and objects in the area occupied by the station near the south-west boundary of the township of Waihi. It includes the station building, sheds, toilets, signals, crane, stock yards, sidings & 7 railway houses.

Other known names:

Notable features:

Style: Victorian

Materials:

Date of Construction: 1905

District Plan Schedule

Number: HAU025

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Heritage Type:

- Wahi Tapu
- Cultural Landscape
- Building
- Group of Buildings
- Structure
- Monument
- Historic Place
- Archaeological Site
- Other

Date Period:

1881-1910

Significance:

- Archaeological
- Architectural
- Cultural
- Historic
- Scientific
- Technological

Thematic Context

- Maori
- Early Settlement
- Industry
- Extraction
- Forestry
- Agriculture
- Transport
- Communication
- Commerce
- Residential
- Social/Cultural
- Civic
- Health
- Educational
- Church/yard
- Other

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History: Waihi Railway Station was built in conjunction with the completion of the Paeroa-Waihi Railway in 1905. It was the terminus of the line until 1928 when the first extension to Tauranga was opened up, later to become the East Coast Main Trunk Line.

The station was designed by George Troup and built by William Hay of Waihi at a total cost of £1764. It was completed on 3 October 1905 in time for the official opening of the line between Paeroa and Waihi on November 8th 1905. The first station-master was Mr W J Hessell.

The station originally contained a lobby, an office, ladies waiting room and toilet.

The crane is a Derrick 4 tonne hand crane (ex Rotorua 1952).

The main traffic through the station was mine-related freight. Timetables for 1912 show four mixed (goods and passenger) trains and two goods trains running between Paeroa and Waihi daily. Coal was an early important traffic (the Waikino Battery used approximately 125 tons daily).

The line and station were closed in 1978 after the completion of the Kaimai Deviation.

The line between Waihi and Waikino and the station buildings were secured in 1980 by the Goldfields Steam Train Society.

Architect:

Designer:

Builder:

Engineer:

History of changes:

Condition: good

Integrity: substantially intact

Current Uses:

Former Uses: Railway Station Yards and Accessory Buildings and Structures. Houses – house No. 237 shifted off in 1975 and now located at 18 Islington Terrace.

- house No. 225 shifted off in the 1970s and now located on the corner of Baber and Consols Streets.

Crane

Stock yards

Registered owner: Station Area – Land Information New Zealand. Stock Yards – Goldfields Railway Inc.

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Legal Description: Sec 392 Pt Sec 393 Waihi Town South, Houses 224, 236, A741, A742, A1084, A1085 Town of Waihi Blks XV and XIV Ohinemuri SD (NZ Gazette 81-1567)

Reference Source:

Associated Pictures:



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