Historic Heritage Inventory



Cheese Factory (former), The Muddy River Cafe, Turua



Location: 27 Hauraki Road, Cnr of Bagnall Square and Hauraki Road, Turua

Heritage Status

Historic Places Trust Registration Number:

Historic Places Trust Category:

HDC Heritage Category: C - Heritage Item. Local or Neighbourhood

Significance

Other:

Physical Description: Thames Valley Dairy (Co-operative). The former Bagnall Store has been partly converted into a Café (The Muddy River).

Other known names: Bagnall Store

Notable features: The original form of the store is retained despite alterations to the store front. The older timber part of the building retains the openings on the Bagnall Square side that were characteristic of dairy factories for loading and unloading the milk cans.

Style:

Materials: Corrugated iron and timber construction.

Date of Construction: c.1916

History: The original timber dairy factory building was built in c 1916 in response to the desire to have a dairy co-op in town. The Bagnalls as well as

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Heritage Category: C

Heritage Type:

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

Date Period: 1911-1940

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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other farmers sold to the co-op. By the mid 1980s the timber building and the attached concrete block building (built in the 1940s or later) were the Four Square store.

Dorothy Bagnall in her history "The Bagnalls of Turua", identifies the site as that of the Thames Valley Dairy Co-op. Further examination of town records may cast additional light on the subject.

Architect: Designer: Builder: Engineer:

History of changes: Substantial number of additions and changes: concrete block addition to the north, dock area on south side walled in, windows on the south west corner, and parapet on east frontage.

Condition: Good

Integrity: Substantially intact

Current Uses: Café

Former Uses: Cheese Factory, Store, Four Square

Registered owner: Christopher Clarke and Caryl Cullen

Legal Description: Lots 204-5 DP 11535

Reference Source: Clover, K. (1977) "Waitakaruru: School and District Jubilee 1902-1977"; Turua School and District, 1877-2002: celebrating 125 years (2002)); G. Townshend (pers comm.), Bagnall, D. (1993) "The Bagnalls of Turua".

Associated Pictures:



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