

NAME: Dwelling and Outbuildings, 122 Country Road, SELLICKS BEACH

PLACE NO.: Local, HID 5535

CURRENT USE: Dwelling & outbuildings

FORMER USE: Farm complex

DATE(S) OF CONSTRUCTION: c.1900

LOCATION: 122 Country Road, SELLICKS BEACH

LAND DESCRIPTION: CT 6178/548, Section 667, Hundred of Willunga

OWNER: Private ownership

REGISTER STATUS: Local, HID 5535



'Just' Farm complex, 122 Country Road, Sellicks Beach (GGA, 2021)

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DESCRIPTION:

C.1900 farmhouse constructed of painted masonry with brick quoins and surrounds. Painted brick chimneys with replacement corrugated steel roof sheeting, original painted corrugated iron to timber framed verandah. In fill verandah additions to the north-west corner of building. Various later additions to east elevation of farmhouse.

Early 20th century farming outbuilding (likely former shearing shed) with timber structure clad in early painted corrugated steel with corrugated steel roof cladding. Rough untreated timber posts to north elevation suggesting earlier construction.

Timber-framed outbuilding (former shed) clad in original painted corrugated iron roof and wall cladding.

Mid-20th century rendered and painted concrete water tank with associated timber-framed lean-to additions clad in painted corrugated iron.

It is recommended that the 'Just' farm complex at 122 Country Road, Sellicks Beach be retained on the SA Heritage Register as a Local Heritage place.

A delineation of significant historic fabric is provided in the Extent of Listing.

STATEMENT OF HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE:

The 'Just' farm complex at 122 Country Road, Sellicks Beach is of significance as a highly-intact example of an early 20th century farming complex with farmhouse and associated outbuildings, retaining a majority of its original allotment. A prominent feature in the Sellicks Beach landscape, the farm complex retains a long association with the Culley and Just families; prominent local citizens and landowners within the local district.

RELEVANT CRITERIA (As defined in Section 67(1) of the PDI Act 2016):

- a) it displays historical, economic or social themes that are of importance to the local area; being a prominently situated and highly intact early 20th century farming complex that retains a majority of its original associated land, owned by prominent local citizens over lengthy periods of the 20th century.
- b) it represents customs or ways of life that are characteristic of the local area; being a highly intact farming complex dating to an early period of the local district's historical development. The farmhouse and farming outbuildings remain highly-intact and retain their historical association with the district's early development, retaining its open farmland setting.

e) it is associated with a notable local personality or event; being owned and managed by the Culley and Just families, prominent residents and landowners of the local district for much of the 20th century.

f) it is a notable landmark in the area; the farmhouse and outbuildings being a well-situated and prominent local landmark within the open farmland setting of the local district.

RELEVANT HISTORIC THEMES:

Theme 5: Food Production in the Southern Vales

5.1 Self-contained and self-reliant farming complexes

BRIEF HISTORICAL BACKGROUND:

The 1997 Willunga District Heritage Survey noted 'Just' Farm Complex, 122 Country Road, Sellicks Beach was constructed by Albert Malthouse before being purchased by Ashley Cox Culley (1867-1956) in approximately 1902. The 1997 survey also noted the Culley family were associated with the property until the 1990s.

Current research has identified Lands Title records dating to 1902, when the property was owned by Henry Hunwick and James Malthouse, both of Normanville, sheepfarmers. Section 667 of the Hundred of Willunga, in addition to portions of surrounding sections and allotments, was transferred to A. C. Culley in July 1902. No construction date proof was provided by the 1997 survey; the physical fabric of the farmhouses suggests construction close to the turn of the century; it is probable the house was completed shortly before Culley's 1902 acquisition. A. C. Culley retained the property until June 1947, when the property was transferred to Ernest Herbert Just, after whom the property is currently named. The Just family retained the property until 1974 when the entire farm property was transferred to the current owners.

Livestock farming infrastructure remaining on the property appears to date from the same period as the farmhouse (c.1900s). A large rendered concrete water tank, now derelict, likely dates from the mid-20th century.

Since the 1997 survey, verandah infill additions to the south-west have been removed, though infill additions to the north-west remain.

It is recommended that 'Justs' Farm Complex, 122 Country Road, Sellicks Beach be retained on the SA Heritage Register as a Local Heritage place.

A delineation of significant historic fabric is provided in the Extent of Listing.

EXTENT OF LISTING:

External form and materials of the c.1900 farmhouse, including all masonry elements, chimneys, roof and verandah forms. All original corrugated iron roof clad is original and the profile and materials of this roofing are included in the listing. All later additions and alterations, including verandah in-fill additions and eastern additions are not included in the listing.

The external form and materials of the outbuildings, including former shearing shed and former shed. The form and usage of timber posts and corrugated steel cladding are considered of

significance and included in the listing, though current materials are not included in the listing and can be replaced with matching materials retaining the same profile and form. All later additions and alterations, including later corrugated steel cladding is not included in the listing. The concrete water tank and lean-to additions are not included in the listing.

REFERENCES:

Historical CTs 691/156; 1600/140; 3728/4; 3909/175; 4036/674; etc.
McDougall & Vines, 1997, *Willunga District Heritage Survey*, p. 219.

SITE MAPPING:



Site of 'Justs' Farm Complex, 122 Country Road, Sellicks Beach; (1) residence; (2) shearing shed; (3) outbuilding; (4) tank with associated outbuilding (Planning SA SAPPa)

HISTORICAL IMAGES:



'Justs' Farm Complex, 122 Country Road, Sellicks Beach in 1997 (*Willunga District Heritage Survey*)

OTHER IMAGES:



Early 20th century farming outbuilding (likely former shearing shed) to immediate south of farmhouse (GGA, 2021)



West elevation of primary outbuilding (likely former shearing shed) (GGA, 2021)



Mid-20th century rendered concrete water tank and lean-to additions (GGA, 2021)



Former shed to immediate east of primary outbuilding (GGA, 2021)