

## **Attachment A7(c)(ii)**

**Non-Indigenous Heritage Study – 3  
Documentary Analysis – Part 2 – Botany  
Road Precinct**



3.6 Chronology

The following chronology outlines key dates and events related to the creation of the Botany Road corridor, post European settlement in 1788.

Historic maps on the following pages trace the history of the Botany Road Corridor. These have been overlaid with the current cadastral map of the area for reference.

CHRONOLOGY	
DATE	EVENT
1788	Establishment of the penal colony at Sydney Cove.
1813	Old Botany Road formed from Oxford Street to Botany Bay.
1816	William Chippendale granted 96 acres. Eastern boundary of the grant is Botany (Cope) Street.
1817	Dr William Redfern granted 100 acres. Western boundary of this estate is Regent Street/ Botany (Cope) Street.
Ca. 1819	Probable date of forming Botany Road within Waterloo, Redfern and Sydney.
1820	William Hutchinson commenced operation of water power mill within land granted in 1823.
1823	William Hutchinson granted 1400 acres. Known as Waterloo. The northern boundary of the grant is Boundary Street.
1825	William Hutchinson sold the Waterloo estate to Daniel Cooper and Solomon Levey.
1834	William Hutchinson purchased 62&1/2 acres of Chippendale's grant.
1835	William Charles Wentworth purchased 4 acres of Chippendale's grant.
1842	Transportation of convicts to NSW ceased.
1842	Sydney City Council incorporated. Southern boundary was Cleveland Street.
1842	William Redfern's grant of 100 acres subdivided in freehold.
1842	William Charles Wentworth's 4 acres (between 131 - 199 Regent Street and Cope Street) subdivided in freehold.
1844	Botany Road scheduled a parish road and a toll gate was erected at the intersection of Regent Street and Botany (Cope) Street.
1846	William Hutchinson died. His estate at Chippendale (inclusive of present day Redfern) was partitioned between members of his family. Block D was inherited by daughter Mrs Sarah Nichols (1812-1870). Block E was inherited by daughter Mrs Martha Ann Drummond Roberts (1815-1901). Block F was inherited by grandson William Hutchinson Gibbons (1823-1893).
1849	Mrs Sarah Nichols leased Block D to Joseph Yeomans for a term of 21 years.
1853	Daniel Cooper died in London, and his Waterloo estate was inherited by William Charles Cooper (1852-1925), son of Daniel Cooper's nephew, also named Daniel (1821-1902), who managed WC Cooper's affairs until he came of age.
1854	Mrs Nichols' Block D (between Lawson Square and No. 68 Regent Street) subdivided and sold in leasehold title.
1855	Opening of the railway between Sydney and Parramatta. The first Sydney terminus was situated in the area between Cleveland Street and Devonshire Street.
1855	Commencement of subdivision and sale of Cooper's Waterloo Estate in leasehold for a term of 99 years. These leasehold allotments were located south of Boundary Street.
1856	First self government of NSW formed.
1859	Redfern Municipal Council incorporated. Southern boundary became Boundary Street after 1860.

CHRONOLOGY	
DATE	EVENT
1860	Waterloo Municipal Council incorporated. Northern boundary was Boundary Street.
1860	Mrs Lackey (formerly Mrs Hoberts) leased Block E to her husband John Lackey (1830-1903) for a term of 21 years.
1861	Mrs Lackey's Block E (between 70 Regent Street and 106 Regent Street) subdivided and sold in leasehold title.
1861	Mrs WH Gibbons leased Block F to Henry Lipscomb for a term of 18 years. Mr Lipscomb subdivided Block F (between 108 Regent Street and Boundary Street) and sold the allotments in leasehold title.
1862	The Cauliflower Hotel (123 Botany Road, Waterloo) commenced trading and is the earliest of the extant hotels within the study area.
1863	Botany Road toll gate relocated to Boundary Street.
1868	Former St Silas' Anglican Church at Waterloo (173 Botany Road) opened.
1868	Alexandria Municipal Council incorporated. Eastern boundary was Botany Road.
1871	Sydney Omnibus Company commenced a service to Waterloo via Redfern.
1871	The late Mrs Nichols' Block D re-subdivided (Deposited Plan 80) and sold in freehold.
1878	Railway station at Redfern opened. Called Eveleigh prior to 1906.
1882	Government steam tram service between Sydney and Botany commenced operation.
1883	St Lukes Presbyterian (118 Regent Street) opened.
1884	Waterloo Congregational Church (103-105 Botany Road) opened.
1886	Botany Road ceased to be a toll road.
1901	Federation of the Australian colonies and formation of the Commonwealth of Australia.
1902/3	The late Mrs Lackey's Block E re-subdivided (Deposited Plans 4209 and 3954) and sold in freehold.
Ca. 1912	Commencement of merging the Waterloo Estate leaseholds into freehold.
1914-1918	First World War.
1917	Rebuilt Alexandria Goods Yard opened beside Henderson Road.
1925	Main Roads Board established and Botany Road dedicated Main Road No. 170.
1937	The Gibbons family's Block F sold in freehold and continued with the existing (1861) subdivision pattern.
1939-1945	Second World War.
1949	Councils of Redfern, Waterloo and Alexandria absorbed by City of Sydney Council.
1968	Former Redfern, Alexandria and Waterloo local government areas incorporated within the new South Sydney Municipal Council.
1970-1975	The pair of TNT office towers at Lawson Square built.
2004	South Sydney (now City) Council merged with Sydney City Council.
2010s	Commencement of building high rise residential blocks south of Lawson Square.
2017	Construction of the Sydney Metro City and Southwest commenced.



Figure 71: 1820s, Waterloo Estate as per deeds.  
Source: State Library of NSW: [www.digital.sl.nsw.gov.au](http://www.digital.sl.nsw.gov.au), Maps/0319,  
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**Figure 72: 1820s, Detail of Waterloo Estate plan as per deeds.**

Source: State Library of NSW: [www.digital.sli.nsw.gov.au](http://www.digital.sli.nsw.gov.au), Maps/0319, FL8722946



## 1820s





Figure 79: cat1827, Plan of the Waterloo Estate grants from the Crown.  
Source: State Library of NSW: [www.digitalist.nsw.gov.au/Maps/0566\\_F18779133](http://www.digitalist.nsw.gov.au/Maps/0566_F18779133).



Figure 74: cat1827, Detail of plan of the 'Waterloo Estate' grants from the Crown, showing also its neighbouring locations.  
Source: State Library of NSW: [www.digitalist.nsw.gov.au/Maps/0566\\_F18779133](http://www.digitalist.nsw.gov.au/Maps/0566_F18779133).



1827



Figure 75: [1843], Parish of Alexandria.  
Source: State Library of NSW, [www.digital.sl.nsw.gov.au/Maps/0018\\_FLR753033](http://www.digital.sl.nsw.gov.au/Maps/0018_FLR753033)



Figure 76: [1843], Detail of Parish of Alexandria plan.  
Source: State Library of NSW, [www.digital.sl.nsw.gov.au/Maps/0018\\_FLR753033](http://www.digital.sl.nsw.gov.au/Maps/0018_FLR753033)

1843





Figure 77: Plan of the country between the Old South Head Road & Botany Bay, showing the Lachlan & other swamps, the alienated lands & c.  
Source: SLNSW, Mitchell Library <https://collection.slnsw.gov.au/record/74WQ58J4QXM>



Figure 78: Detail of plan of the country between the Old South Head Road & Botany Bay, showing the Lachlan & other swamps, the alienated lands & c. Source: SLNSW, Mitchell Library <https://collection.slnsw.gov.au/record/74WQ58J4QXM>



1853