

### 4.2 Precincts

To assist in the description and analysis of the total workshops complex, twelve precincts on the site have been identified and are shown as Fig. 1.

#### Precinct A

Precinct A is a flat area of almost rhomboidal shape adjacent to the News Ltd site and the Apprenticeship Training College.

It slopes towards the north and has been covered with clean fill ranging from a height of about 4m around the north and north/east perimeters to about 1m on its southern perimeter. The fill is compact and consists of stone, brick, road base and concrete pieces generally in a clay matrix.

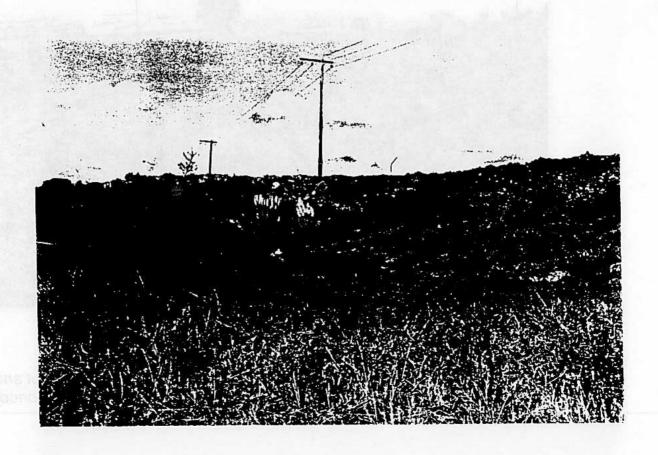


Fig 2: Precinct A Looking South from the Northern Boundary Road. Precinct A consists of clean fill to around 3 meters.

### Precinct B

Precinct B is a large flat area adjacent to the construction storage area of the former Per Way Workshop. It appears to have been created by cut and fill and was at one stage used as a Sports Oval by the employees. There are now several heaps of abandoned equipment on the area and it is partially covered by sparse grass and stunted shrubs.

Precinct B has no extant buildings or structures.



Fig 3: Precinct B looking North East. Precinct B is a flat area created by cut and fill used as a sports ground and more recently for placement of abandoned equipment.

# Precinct C

Precinct C was formerly the Construction storage area for the Per Way Workshops and is to the west of the workshops complex. It is flat, was partially formed by cut and fill and is traversed by seven link lines which are between the main workshops line and two feeder lines which run to the workshops. The feeder lines brought material to the workshops and removed it while the link lines were used by three steam cranes and one diesel crane to convey completed works from one place to another.

The area has been used to store out-of-service equipment and it still houses a coal stage for the cranes and a small orchard and garden built beside the coal stage.

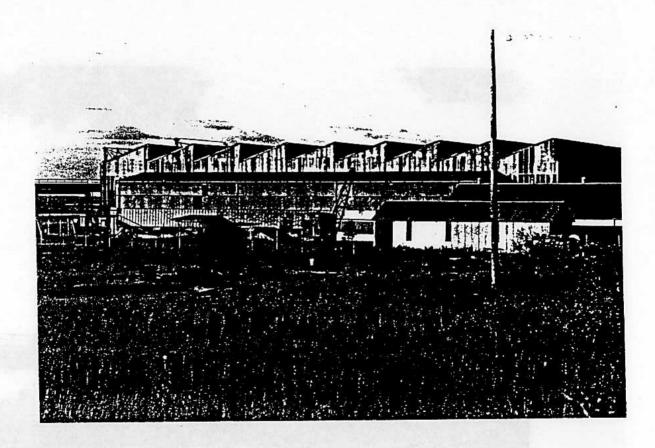


Fig 4: Precinct C looking north: Precinct C is traversed by a number of link lines used by the steam cranes. The orchard is visible on the right hand side of the photograph.

#### Precinct D

Precinct D is a flat area, partially formed by fill on its northern perimeter, due north of the Per Way Workshops. It housed No. 2 North siding area and No. 3 North siding which were both for receiving and removing materials and manufactured per-way structures. It is served by the massive overhead erecting crane which still runs through the erecting bay of the shops and some 70 meters into the yard. The mobile stiff-legged derrick crane operated adjacent to the overhead crane. The yard formerly housed the shot-blast plant and the paint shed buildings plus several miscellaneous sheds. At the north west extremity was the stacking area for the Old Hawksbury River Bridge - the plaque for which is mounted on the external face of the southern wall of the workshops.

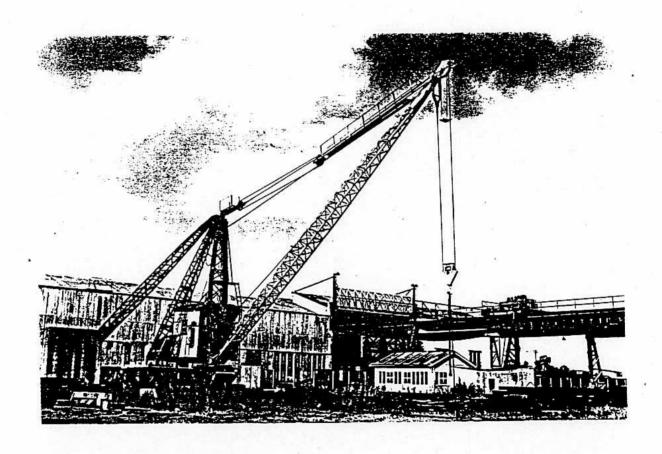


Fig. 5: Precinct D looking south: Precinct D was the receiving entrance for the manufacturing centre.

# Precinct E

Precinct E is a small workshop area to the east of the Per Way Workshops. It is divided from the workshops building by a roadway and it now possesses some four buildings and the footings and floors of two others. The buildings are all timber framed corrugated iron clad structures and all have been extended with skillion roof lean-to's.

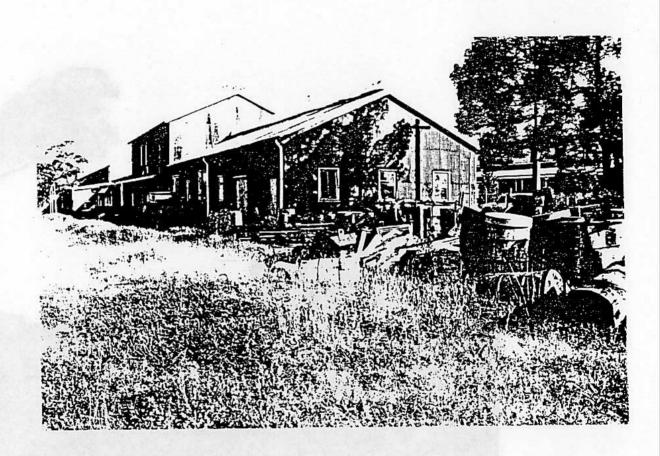


Fig 6: Precinct E looking south-east. Precinct E consists of a line of workshops which provide support for the manufacturing centre.

# Precinct F

Precinct F has been divided into three Sections, F1, F2 and F3, as each has distinct characteristics.

Precinct F1 is to the west of the Per Way Workshops and occupies that area below the fill on which the Precinct D stacking area is located. It has one modern store with an adjacent store yard and is traversed by a concrete path leading to the passenger siding near the Trackfast building.



Fig 7: Precinct F1 looking east. Precinct F1 is located north west of the Manufacturing Centre and is below the area of fill in Precinct D.