Maldon Statement of Significance (Mount Alexander Shire Council, 2020)

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What is significant?

The combination of the following specific features contributes to Maldon's significance:

- The interest and diversity of the range of buildings and works (including the street form, drainage patterns, exotic plantings and mine workings) that relate to gold-mining periods, in particular dating from the period up until the 1930's.
- The numerous mining relics which demonstrate a wide range of nineteenth century mining technology.
- The mature and attractive post gold-mining quality of the landscape and of the township.
- Maldon's outstanding interpretative value in respect of both its general arrangement and detailed elements.
- The evidence of early settlement patterns and the diverse cultures that pioneered the area.
- The interaction between the areas landforms and a wide range of historic development activities - pastoral, mining, residential and industrial.

How is it significant?

The township of Maldon is of local, historic and aesthetic significance to Mount Alexander Shire.

Why is it significant?

It is recognised that the significance of Maldon and environs is due to a unique combination of many individual elements which contribute to its integrity as a whole. It is the particular conjunction of the settlement processes which occurred at Maldon and the way in which the components they produced have survived that has resulted in a cultural landscape of high significance.

The Maldon Historic Reserve is significant because it:

- Contains an almost complete range of the mining activities, technologies and gold processing methods used in Victoria, with the exception of deep lead mining, by both European and Asian miners, which can be studied and interpreted.
- Displays the significant associations of the area with gold and the role gold played in the economic, social and cultural development of Victoria in particular.
- Includes remaining historic features that are either the most intact or important example of their type in Victoria.