(Former) Station Masters Residence, Riverstone



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Built around 1900. Located Riverstone Parade, Riverstone.

Characteristic of NSW Government architect designed railway buildings at the turn of the century. Forms a precinct with the Railway Station and associated railway cottages. A single storey late Victorian cottage with shallow pitched hipped galvanised iron roof and small front verandah separately roofed on timber columns. The house has hipped section which projects out towards the street frontage with a fixed awning over the window.

The railway line from Blacktown to Richmond opened in 1864. The first station was a timber platform with a brick building which housed the waiting room, ticket office and residence for the stationmaster. In 1879 a siding known as Richards Siding was built to service the abattoirs. In 1886 a new station office was constructed, and the platform was enlarged and bricked. The line was electrified in 1975.

1877 Riverstone Post Office established at Riverstone Railway Station.
1883 Riverstone Public School opened, William Langton was the first teacher. Main railway station building constructed at Riverstone.
1886 Telegraph Office opened at the Riverstone Railway Station.

1914 Telephone exchange installed at the Riverstone Railway station.

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