

• ON YOUR JOURNEY •

SITE 1*

The Morayfield State School building is within the school grounds and an appointment must be made with the school to view it closely.

SITE 2

Once you've enjoyed the S. Hausmann & E.C. Newton Parks, follow Tinney Road for 2.3km to reach an alternative route to site 5 that involves walking through Sheep Station Creek Conservation Park and following track directions to Phelps Road.

SITE 3*

The Uniting Church must be contacted for appointments to view the interior of the building.

SITE 4*

An appointment is required to view the inside of the Farmers' Assembly Hall. To make arrangements call 5496 7834 .

SITE 5

Sheep Station Creek Conservation Park has a good variety of walking tracks and horseriding trails. The trails have hitching posts and mounting blocks.

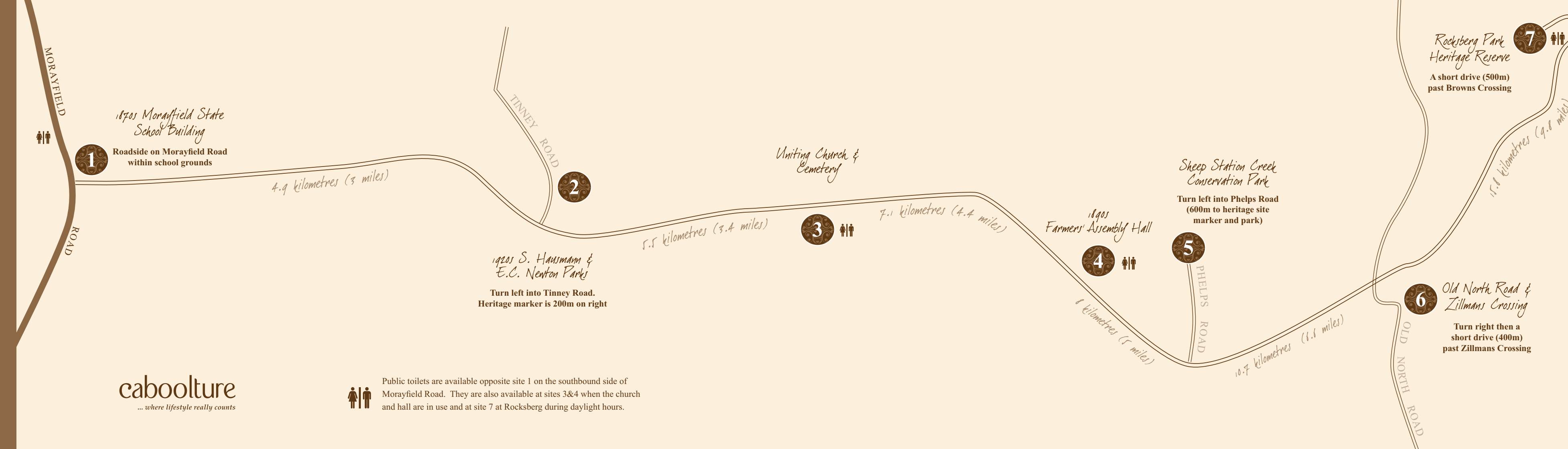
SITE 6

There's a small picnic area at the Zillmans Crossing site. Old North Road continues through to the village of Wamuran and then a short drive to historic Woodford which has a charming old world character and several heritage-listed buildings.

SITE 7

Rocksberg Park Heritage Reserve features several picnic tables in an authentic rural setting beside a creek.

*Sites 1,3 & 4 are normally closed to the public. Those with a specialist interest may be able to see the interiors by making a special appointment directly with the venue.



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Public toilets are available opposite site 1 on the southbound side of Morayfield Road. They are also available at sites 3&4 when the church and hall are in use and at site 7 at Rocksberg during daylight hours.

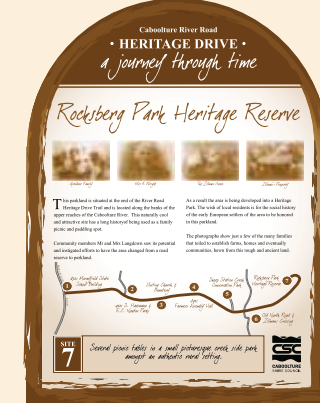
Caboolture River Road

• HERITAGE DRIVE • a journey through time

Some 140 years ago, the rough bush track between Caboolture and Morayfield took several arduous hours for early settlers to travel.

Today, the Caboolture River Road is a comfortable half hour drive, but it will forever be linked with stories from our pioneer past.

This Scenic Heritage Trail commemorates just a few of them.



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• SITE 1 •



1870s Morayfield State School Building

The original Morayfield school building is of national significance because it is one of only two surviving examples of the widely used standard school design of the 1870s.

The school, which features external studding, a high-pitched roof and a verandah, uses a revolutionary plan developed by the Board of Education's architect Richard Suter.

His plan influenced the future development of the distinctive timber and tin 'Queenslander' house.

• SITE 2 •



1920s S. Hausmann & E.C. Newton Parks

These adjacent parks are named after two well-known early residents, Syd Hausmann and Ted Newton.

The lifelong friends lived on adjoining properties opposite the parks. The Newtons developed the Merryvale Jersey Stud and the Hausmanns the Ashdone Jersey Stud.

The parkland, donated by a local dairy farmer Dave Wedel, is maintained by Rural Youth in collaboration with Caboolture Shire Council.

• SITE 3 •



Uniting Church & Cemetery

Possibly the oldest of its kind in Queensland, it was built in 1875 as a Primitive Methodist Church.

The first service took place on 9 November 1875 and the church has been used for worship since then, becoming part of the Uniting Church in 1977.

The cemetery dates from 1874 and is recognised for its importance to social history researchers.

Many pioneering families of Upper Caboolture are buried in it.

• SITE 4 •



1890s Farmers Assembly Hall

By the 1890s, Upper Caboolture needed a community hall. The Sampson family provided one hectare for the project and local builder Peter Sutton constructed the original hall in three weeks.

After World War II, local carpenters Lionel Litherland and Lester Newton built the present hall with the assistance of local farmers.

Local Member of Parliament, Frank Nicklin, who was later knighted and became Premier of Queensland, opened the rebuilt Farmers' Assembly Hall in 1954.

• SITE 5 •



Sheep Station Creek Conservation Park

This area was gazetted as a Crown Reserve for timber and gravel used for bridge building and roads during the early settlement in the district.

A track through the reserve was once a popular route for children going to Camp Flat School.

The reserve, a well-known bird sanctuary, is mainly open forest and is the largest remaining area of original vegetation in the district.

In 1977, it was proclaimed the Sheep Station Creek Conservation Park in recognition of the ecological importance of the area.

• SITE 6 •



Old North Road & Zillmans Crossing

When European settlers the Archer brothers and their neighbour Ewan Mackenzie moved to the area in the early 1840s they blazed a track that quickly became the established route north from Brisbane.

Once a coastal route developed, Old Gympie Road replaced the Old North Road as the main road north.

However, the Old North Road remained popular with locals until the bridge was built over the Caboolture River, as travellers preferred to cross the river upstream at Zillmans Crossing.

• SITE 7 •



Rocksberg Park Heritage Reserve

This park runs along the banks of the upper reaches of the Caboolture River and is a naturally cool and attractive site with a long history as a family picnic spot.

It is now being developed into a Heritage Park to recognise the social history of the area's early European settlers.

Many families toiled to establish farms, homes and communities from this tough and ancient land. The Heritage Park honours their memory.

Artists statement

After assessing several designs, Council commissioned local sculptor Paul Johnson to design and make the heritage drive markers.

The artist developed a deliberately contemporary form using rock and rusty steel to capture a tough agricultural past in which man battled against nature.

The cairn-like form suggests the object is not merely a marker, but also a memorial.

A traditional plaque with words and photos describes the relevance of the marker to each site. There is also a childlike drawing cut into the rusty steel that evokes the emotive aspect of the place.

