

# Heritage Evaluation Matrix

**Property Address** 189 County Road 49, Verulam Township  
**Resource Type** Built heritage resource  
**Geographic Context** Verulam  
**Thematic Context(s)** Agriculture; Early Settlement; Rural development

## Design and Physical Value

Criteria	Yes/No	Significance
Is a rare, unique, representative or early example of a style, type, expression, material or construction method.	Yes	The property is representative example of a late Victorian farmstead in Verulam Township. Likely constructed in the 1880s, the property demonstrates a popular form used in many rural farmsteads at this type and the property is a good surviving example. These include the L-shaped plan, steeply pitched roof, and the rounded windows with radiating voussoirs.
Displays a high degree of craftsmanship or artistic merit.	No	The property displays a typical degree of craftsmanship for a property of this type.
Demonstrates a high degree of technical or scientific achievement.	No	There are no specific technical or scientific achievements associated with the property.

## Historical and Associative Value

Criteria	Yes/No	Significance
Has direct associations with a theme, event, belief, person,	Yes	The property has direct associations of the development of agricultural and farming in late nineteenth century Verulam Township. The house was likely constructed by settler

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activity, organization or institution that is significant to a community.

James Cain whose family owned the property from the early 1870s to mid-1940s and the house demonstrates how settlers developed their homesteads from the early days of settle to the growth of prosperity in the late decades of the century.

Yields, or has the potential to yield information that contributes to an understanding of a community or culture

Yes

The property yields information regarding the growth and development of the agricultural community in the northern part of Verulam Township in the late nineteenth century.

Demonstrates or reflects the work or ideas of an architect, artist, builder, designer or theorist who is significant to a community.

No

The architect or builder of this property is not known.

### Contextual Value

#### Criteria

Defines, maintains or supports the character of an area.

Yes/No

Yes

#### Significance

The property helps maintain the character of the area as a historic agricultural area as an extant historic farmstead within the larger agricultural landscape.

Is physically, functionally, visually or historically linked to its surroundings

Yes

The property is historically and visually linked to its surroundings as part of the historic agricultural landscape of the northern part of Verulam Township as an extant historic farmstead.

Is a landmark.

No

The property is not a specific landmark.