

SEBASTOPOL HISTORICAL WALK

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STARTING POINT:

Start at the **Sebastopol Library, the Former Borough of Sebastopol Town Hall**. Part of this building is bluestone construction erected in 1868, with the remnant portion visible at the rear of the building in Wilsons Lane.



- 2 The original **fire station** was located in this lane, before it was moved, literally by human power, to its current location in Albert Street. Walk through the N. Donald Reserve to Albert Street and turn left. Across the road is the Melbourne Store of C Blythe, an important Sebastopol landmark that begun as a general store. Continue south along Albert Street to a bluestone building almost at the Bridge Street corner, the former
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- 4 **State Bank building**.



- 6 The neighbouring site is the **Holy Trinity Church**, with part of the early church still standing.



- 7 At the next T-intersection turn left into Taylor Street. This frontage was gazetted as the **Police Paddock** during the early mining years and not surprisingly, the Police Station. This building currently houses Police Traffic Operations. Turn left again and head north along Yarrowee Street, past the original **Sebastopol Primary School** built in 1876.
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This building is now a Community Centre, housing several local groups including the Sebastopol Historical Society. Continue along Yarrowee Street to cross Bridge Street at the school crossing, turning left walking back to Albert Street. At the roundabout, turn right and return to the starting point.



- 5 Cross Bridge Street at the roundabout. The south east corner region of Bridge Street traditionally housed several generations of blacksmiths, including Cook, Hanrahan and in Sebastopol's early days (1856) John Tynan's ironworks, supplying boring rods to trace the deep leads under the basaltic rock. Continue along Albert Street, past the Sebastopol Bowling Club. The Mechanics' Institute/Library was formerly located in the carpark area.

