

Blamey House, Kew

1977 – 1980

Details

Blamey House, in Willsmere Road, Kew, was run by Melbourne Legacy. Until 1977, the Home had been known as Harelands. It provided accommodation for boys aged 13 years and older, who were children of deceased service personnel. It closed in 1980.

Blamey House (1977-1980) was in Willsmere Road, Kew. The property had previously been a Legacy Home called Harelands (1952-1977).

Note that Melbourne Legacy ran a number of Homes called Blamey House. There was a Blamey House in Black Rock from 1949 to 1956, and in Burke Road, Kew from 1956 to 1977. The Kew Blamey House had previously been known as Holmbush (1942-1956).

By 1977, Blamey House in Kew was the only Legacy Home still in existence in Victoria, as the requirement for accommodation in Legacy houses had decreased in the 1960s and 1970s.

Gallery



Harelands

Description: This is an image of Harelands, a large house in Kew from which Melbourne Legacy ran a children's hostel also called Harelands. The hostel was later renamed Blamey House. This photo is undated, the date included is an estimate.



Photo, Blamey House

Description: This is a copy of an image made available on Victorian Collections. Melbourne Legacy have 7 photographs of Blamey House (Kew), on the day it was auctioned in the early 1980s. The property in Willsmere Road, Kew was formerly another Melbourne Legacy children's Home, Harelands 1942-1956).

More info

Chronology

- Harelands (c. 1952 - 1977)
 - **Blamey House, Kew (1977 – 1980)**

Related Entries

Run by

- [Melbourne Legacy \(1923 - current\)](#)

Related Organisations

- [Blamey House \(c. 1949 - c. 1977\)](#)

In 1977, another hostel called Blamey House opened, in what was formerly known as Harelands.

Resources

- [Legacy - hostels and homes](#), Finding Records, No date. *Relevance:* See the 'List of records held by the department' section for information about records relating to Blamey House

Records

For more information and to access your records, follow the links below:

Records

- [Melbourne Legacy Records \(1942? - 1982?\)](#)
 - [Voluntary Children's Homes Files \(1921 - 1989\)](#)
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