

Eastville Receiving Home

1979 – 1980

Details

Eastville Receiving Home opened in Rokeby in 1979. The Home provided temporary accommodation for children who were wards of state or supervised in other ways by the Social Welfare Department. It became Eastville Family Group Home in 1981.

A married woman, known as a Receiving Home Keeper, managed Eastville with the assistance of her husband, who was in paid employment. In return, they did not pay rent.

The Home provided accommodation for new wards of the state or children on remand from the courts until the Department found a more permanent placement for them. It also took in children requiring temporary accommodation under the *Domestic Service Assistance Act* and in transit between homes.

The Department changed the name in the early 1980s to Eastville Family Group Home apparently to emphasise its domestic environment and the fact that some children stayed in the Home longer if they got on well with the Receiving Home Keeper.

More info

Chronology

- **Eastville Receiving Home (1979 – 1980)**
 - Eastville Family Group Home (1981 - c. 1987)

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