

<b>Area:</b> Geraldton	<b>Place Number:</b> 104	<b>Category:</b> 2
<b>Assessment Date:</b> 08/12/1996	<b>Last Revision Date:</b> 28/10/2009	
<b>HCWA Number:</b> 13356	<b>Asset ID:</b> MCH126563	

### PLACE DETAILS

<b>Name:</b>	Office
<b>Other Names:</b>	Urch's Warehouse
<b>Type of Place:</b>	Office
<b>Address:</b>	25 Chapman Road (facing Durlacher Street)
<b>Suburb:</b>	Geraldton

### LOCATION

<b>Map Reference:</b>	15.15	<b>GPS Northing:</b>	6814791.00	<b>GPS Easting:</b>	266882.000
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**Photo Description:**

14/12/2007

Rod Milne

Front facade painted white.

## SITE DETAILS

<b>Lot No.:</b>	Lot 2	<b>Assess No.:</b>	11741
<b>Reserv No.:</b>		<b>Vol/Fol:</b>	
<b>Dia/Plan:</b>			

## USE OF PLACE

<b>Original Use:</b>	Shop		
<b>Current Use:</b>	Shop		
<b>Ownership:</b>			
<b>Public Access:</b>	Restricted	<b>Occupied:</b>	Occupied

## DESCRIPTION

<b>Walls:</b>	Stone	<b>Roof:</b>	Corrugated Iron
<b>Condition:</b>	Good	<b>Integrity:</b>	
<b>Original fabric:</b>			
<b>Modifications:</b>			

This single storey stone building has a corrugated iron gable roof which extends to the rear of the building. The gable end to the street facade is rendered masonry. Below, the wall is painted coursed stone which is emphasised by recessed jointing. The stonework is rendered to the opening surrounds and below window sill height. The front facade has centrally placed double aluminium entry doors, with small timber framed windows each side. The door and windows have curved metal awnings.

## HISTORY

<b>Construction Date:</b>	1895	<b>Source:</b>	HCWA
<b>Architect:</b>	Unknown		
<b>Builder:</b>	Unknown		

This building was previously Urch's Warehouse, Importer and Consignor to the goldfields. The business also operated out of the adjacent building, located at 28 Durlacher Street. (Source: Stan Gratte) Photographic evidence reveals that the building previously had "AAA Carrying Co Storage" inscribed on the front facade. (GLLSPC)

## HISTORIC THEMES

<b>HCWA:</b>	308 Commercial services and industries
<b>AHC:</b>	3.19 Marketing and retailing

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This building has historic significance given its connection to the development of commercial activities within Geraldton and the region. With much of its original fabric and decorative features, such as the coursed stonework, remaining intact the place has considerable aesthetic merit. The building has high streetscape value.

## MANAGEMENT CATEGORY

<b>Management Category:</b>	2
<b>Level of Significance:</b>	CONSIDERABLE SIGNIFICANCE: Very important to the heritage of the locality.
<b>Management Recommendation:</b>	Conservation of the place is highly recommended. Any proposed change should not unduly impact on the heritage values of the place and should retain significant fabric wherever feasible.

## OTHER LISTINGS

No other listings

## SUPPORTING INFORMATION

GLLSPC - Geraldton (General).  
Feilman & Associates, "Survey of Places of Historic and Landscape Significance in Geraldton", 1977.

## OTHER PHOTOS



**Photo Description:**

8/12/1996

Suba & Grundy

Curved metal awnings a later addition.