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Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting

Date of Meeting: 10 March 2022

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Heritage Advisory Committee

Meeting Agenda

Meeting Name	Heritage Advisory Committee (HAC)	Meeting No.	2 - D-22-148329
Meeting Date	Thursday 10 March 2022		
Meeting Time	10.00am-11.30am		
Meeting Location	Greenough Museum and Gardens, 11 Phillips Rd, Greenough		
Attendees	Cr. Jerry Clune (JC) (Chair) Cr. Michael Reymond (MR) (Proxy Chair) Cr. Kim Parker (KP) Cr. Natasha Colliver (NC) Cr. Tarleah Thomas (TT) (by electronic means) Fiona Norling (FN) Tanya Henkel (TH) Karrie Elder (KE) Trudi Cornish (TC) Lorin Cox (LC) Denielle Riley (DR) (by electronic means) Rose Ann Jupp (RJ) Gary Martin (GM) Gary Warner (GW) Marilyn McLeod (MM) Annette Burton (AB) (Minutes)	By Invitation	
		Apologies	Rita Stinson (RS) Leigh O'Brien (LO) Mullewa Heritage Sub-Committee Rep Sam Messina (SM)
		Leave of Absence	
		Distribution	As listed. National Trust (WA)
Purpose of Committee	[Minute Secretary to refer to Committee Book for this information: D-19-068330]		

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ATTENDANCE

Attendance by Electronic Means

In accordance with the *Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996 regulation 14C (2) - Attendance by electronic means in public health emergency or state of emergency (Act s.5.25(1)(ba))* the Mayor authorised for Cr Thomas to attend the meeting by electronic means [Reference: D-22-010168].

1. Welcome & Apologies

2. Disclosure of Interests

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting Committee Recommendation:

4. Action Log

5. Agenda Items

- 5.1 Chapman River Road Bridge – Overview of Referrals and Exemptions (KE)
- 5.2 Natural Burials (KE)
- 5.3 Tardun Hall, Wongoondy Hall, Devil's Creek Hall and the former Eradu Hall (TC)
- 5.4 Bells/Duncan's Cottage (TC)
- 5.5 CGG Heritage At Risk Register (MR)
- 5.6 Recycling of Heritage Building Materials (MR)
- 5.7 Historical Mullewa Burials – Pioneer Cemetery, Pindar and Wooderarrung Spring (TC)
- 5.8 Rocks Laneway – CBD Heritage Walk Trail (TC)
- 5.9 Review of CGG Heritage Strategy (2017-2022) (TC)

6. General Business

- 6.1 Report from Heritage Services Coordinator
- 6.2 Reports from Community Museums
 - 6.2.1 Greenough Museum and Gardens Community Association
 - 6.2.2 Walkaway Station Museum
 - 6.2.3 Geraldton Historical Society
 - 6.2.4 Mullewa Heritage Sub-Committee, Mullewa Community Group

7. Date of next meeting

4.13 Heritage Advisory Committee

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Purpose:

Provide advice to Council on the development and implementation of the Heritage Strategy, 2017-2022

Committee Members:

All members appointed by a Council Decision have full voting rights.

Council Members (five):

Deputy Mayor Cr Jerry Clune [Chair]
 Cr Michael Reymond [Proxy Chair]
 Cr Natasha Colliver
 Cr Tarleah Thomas
 Cr Kim (Butch) Parker

External Members

One Representatives from the following groups/agencies (five):

Walkaway Station Museum Inc.
 Greenough Museum and Gardens Community Association Inc
 Geraldton Historical Society Inc.
 Museum of Geraldton
 Mullewa Heritage Sub-Committee

Community Representatives (two):

Ms Marilyn McLeod
 Mr Gary Warner

These appointments to apply until the expiration date of 21 October 2023 or as determined by Council.

City of Greater Geraldton - support staff

Director Development and Community Services or delegate, including:
 Manager Libraries, Heritage and Gallery Services
 Coordinator Heritage Services
 Coordinator Strategic Planning, Urban and Regional Development
 Aboriginal Engagement Officer
 Administration Support Officer

Ex-Officio Member:

City Heritage Advisor

Council Resolutions:

Date:	23 November 2021
Item Number:	CEO0085
Date:	22 February 2022
Item Number:	DCS516

Term of Office:

Membership expires 21 October 2023 or as determined by Council

Terms of Reference

SET the Terms of Reference of the Heritage Advisory Committee (HAC) to be:

- a. The quorum of a committee meeting is in accordance with Section 5.19 of the Local Government Act 1995, at least 50% of the number of officers (whether vacant or not) of member of the Committee;
- b. Appoint five Council Members to this Committee;
- c. Councillor will be the elected Chair;
- d. Appoint five External Members representing local heritage groups and museums;
- e. Community nominees will address specific criteria when nominating for membership of the Committee;
- f. Nominations for community membership will be assessed by the HAC, which will make recommendations to Council for the appointment of two representatives;
- g. Where a member is absent without notice and reasonable grounds throughout three consecutive meetings within any 12 month period, the continuance of that membership position shall be automatically terminated in order to ensure the effective operation of the Committee;
- h. Minutes of meetings will be circulated within five working days following the meeting;
- i. With the prior approval of the Chairperson, any persons or organisations may be invited to attend a meeting, where their attendance is directly related to the objectives of the Heritage Advisory Committee;
- j. At least one meeting per year will be held at Mullewa, Greenough or Walkaway; and
- k. Members will abide by the City of Greater Geraldton's Code of Conduct.

Delegation:

There is no delegated authority.

Meeting Details (if known)

Meetings will be held on triannual basis with the start time and venue being determined by the Advisory Group. At least one meeting will be held in either Mullewa, Greenough or Walkaway each year.

Updated: 23 February 2022

Heritage Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Name	Heritage Advisory Committee (HAC)	Meeting No.	1 - D-21-148329
Meeting Date	Thursday 23 December 2021		
Meeting Time	10.00am		
Meeting Location	Geraldton Regional Library – Randolph Stow Room 1		
Attendees	Cr. Natasha Colliver (NC) Cr. Jerry Clune (JC) Cr. Michael Reymond (MR) Cr. Kim Parker (KP) Tanya Henkel (TH) (by phone) Trudi Cornish (TC) Lorin Cox (LC) Annette Burton (AB) (Minutes)	By Invitation	
		Apologies	Cr. Tarleah Thomas (TT) Leigh O'Brien (LO) Karrie Elder (KE) Phil Melling (PM)
		Leave of Absence	
		Distribution	As listed
Purpose of Committee	Refer to Committee Book		

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1. Welcome & Apologies

TC opened the meeting and welcomed those present. Apologies from those unable to attend the meeting were accepted.

Noted that Cr. Fiorenza has resigned from Council and that the position on the Committee has not been filled.

2. Disclosure of Interests

No interests noted.

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting

RECOMMENDED that the minutes of the Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting held on 17 August 2021 as previously circulated, with the alteration noted by LC to Item 4.1, be adopted as a true and correct record of proceedings.

Moved: JC

Seconded: MR

CARRIED BY CONSENSUS

4. Action Log

Agenda Item 3.3 Natural Burials in Pioneer Cemeteries – Status is Ongoing, to be carried over to agenda of next HAC meeting.

5. Agenda Items

5.1 Appointment of Chair and Deputy

TC called for nominations to be Chair.

MR nominated JC to be elected as Chair of the Heritage Advisory Committee.

KP seconded. JC was voted in unopposed as Chair.

CARRIED BY CONSENSUS

KP nominated MR to be Deputy Chair of the Heritage Advisory Committee. JC seconded.

MR was voted in unopposed as Deputy Chair.

CARRIED BY CONSENSUS

5.2 Review of Terms of Reference

JC requested that the National Trust WA be removed as Ex-Officio Members as they rarely attend the meetings but to remain as invited guests and to also continue to receive a copy of the minutes.

JC requested that an invitation to fill the Aboriginal Community Representative position be extended to the CGG Aboriginal Engagement Officer and this position be moved under Support Staff accordingly.

MR requested that the number of City Councillors attendees to be reduced from 6 to 5 members.

TC will update the draft Terms of Reference for circulation to members and further discussion if needed.

TH mentioned that a Heritage Interest Group may be forming in Mullewa and if so, queried whether they might play a role on the Committee under the External Representatives category. Members agreed with this suggestion. TC advised that the City had not had been contacted by this group. JC advised that they could be asked to join at a later date if they showed interest in attending.

5.3 EOI Process for Community Representatives

TC requested that she start the process and advertising for Expressions of Interest (EOI) for Community Representatives. EOI's will close Thursday 20 January 2022. Following which EOI's will be sent to Councillors, along with a scoring matrix, for evaluation.

Moved: NC

Seconded: JC

CARRIED BY CONSENSUS

5.4 Chapman River Road Bridge listing on State Heritage Register – Request to reconsider Council decision received from Geraldton Historical Society

NC requested that the Committee consider approaching Council to reconsider its position regarding listing the Chapman River Road Bridge on the State Heritage Register.

TH advised that she considers the structure to be of significance and that it should be added to the State Register.

ACTION: TC to facilitate the provision to the Committee of any surveys produced by the City with regard to the Chapman River Road Bridge as these become available.

5.5 Tardun, Wongoondy and Devil's Creek Halls

TH advised that the Tardun and Wongoondy Halls were damaged during Cyclone Seroja and that she considered them to be particularly unsafe. TH had previously advised the Dept. of Planning Land and Heritage (DPLH) of the condition of the Halls. Their condition was also further raised with the DPLH by the CEO in November 2021. Unfortunately Tardun Hall has in the months since Seroja continued to deteriorate and now may not be salvageable.

The Tardun, Wongoondy and Devil's Creek Halls are all under state ownership. JC asked for reporting on the status of the Halls and any actions taken by the DPLH to be an action item as an ongoing item on the Committee Agenda.

ACTION: TC to include Tardun, Wongoondy and Devil's Creek Halls on future Committee agendas, until the Committee advises otherwise.

5.6 Future Meeting Dates

Meetings of the HAC will be held in March, July and November, with Thursday mornings being agreed upon. It was proposed that the Greenough Museum and Gardens be approached to host the March 2022 meeting.

Moved: JC

Seconded: NC

CARRIED BY CONSENSUS

6. Date of next meeting

Proposed date of the next meeting to be advised. Calendar invitation to be circulated.

7. Close

There being no further business the meeting closed at 10.45am.

Signed (Chair – Cr. Jerry Clune)

Date

Heritage Advisory Committee - Action Log (D-18-092775)

HAC-026	18/05/2021	3.3 Natural Burials in Pioneer Cemeteries	Investigate if Natural Burials are available in other parts of Western Australia and what the process would be for our active cemeteries to hold Natural Burials	KE/TC	Ongoing - Update provided at HAC Meeting, 17 August 2021 by KE. Action is to keep this item on the HAC Agenda until further updates received.
HAC-027	23/12/2021	5.4 Chapman River Road Bridge regarding not listed on State Heritage Register	To facilitate the provision to the Committee of any surveys produced by the City with regard to the Chapman River Road Bridge as these become available.	TC	31/01/22 - Advice received 31 January 2022 that Chapman River Road Bridge has been added to the State's Register of Heritage Places.
HAC-028	23/12/2021	5.5 Tardun, Wongoondy and Devil's Creek Halls	To include Tardun, Wongoondy and Devil's Creek Halls on future Committee agendas, until the Committee advises otherwise.	TC	Ongoing - Action is to keep this item on the HAC Agenda for the time being. Update - 16/2/22 that Dept. PLH has engaged contractors to make site of Tardun Hall safe and remove building.

City of Greater Geraldton Heritage At Risk Register

Background:

The “Heritage At Risk Register” is a listing of built heritage places located within the City of Greater Geraldton that are considered to be at risk or under threat as a result of neglect, decay, continued vacancy or inappropriate development. Established in 2014, the list is compiled and maintained by the City of Greater Geraldton Heritage Advisory Committee and is updated on an annual basis. It is hoped that by identifying heritage places that are particularly vulnerable, some positive measures may be actioned to prevent further deterioration or the loss of a heritage asset. At the very least this Register aims to raise awareness of our heritage and focus community interest on the kinds of threats facing heritage places. Through the possible action recommendations it is hoped to impart knowledge, options and support to property owners to assist them with the restoration and re-use of their heritage place. Furthermore, it is hoped that the Register will also highlight examples of heritage places which have been restored and brought back into use.

Criteria for inclusion on the “Heritage At Risk Register”:

Assessing whether a heritage place is “at risk”, or vulnerable, is based on a number of factors including the condition of the place, whether the place is unoccupied with no identified new use, and whether the place is likely to be impacted by a new development etc. To be included in the “Heritage At Risk Register” the place must be listed in one of the three municipal inventories managed by the City (ie Geraldton, Greenough and Mullewa). Places can be removed from the listing if the CGGHAC assesses them as being conserved, secured and, where appropriate, occupied. Conversely a place can also be removed from the Register if it has been demolished.

Risk Rating:

A risk rating is assigned to each heritage place on the register to describe the extent to which they are at risk. The risk rating is not always directly associated with the condition of the place. The Risk Ratings are as follows:

- 1. Critical:** The place is threatened with demolition or is in danger of collapse, or partial collapse. There is an immediate threat of further deterioration/loss of original built fabric unless urgent stabilisation works are actioned.
- 2. High:** While there is no immediate danger of collapse, urgent remedial works are required to prevent a rapid deterioration in its condition.
- 3. Moderate:** The place is in a fair, relatively stable condition but there are concerns that either a lack of maintenance or continued vacancy will result in a decline in its condition.
- 4. Other:** While conservation of the place may not be appropriate or practicable, other measures may be considered to reflect the heritage value of the place.

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Note on Abbreviations and Terminology:

A	Property assessment number as assigned by the City of Greater Geraldton.
GMI	Geraldton Municipal Inventory.
GRMI	Greenough Municipal Inventory.
HLSS	Heritage Loan Subsidy Scheme: Owners of places listed in the Municipal Inventories within the City of Greater Geraldton are eligible to apply for a subsidy on the standard variable interest rate (subsidy currently set at 4%) to undertake approved conservation works (eg reroofing).
Heritage Subdivision	The WAPC Development Control Policy 3.4 Heritage Conservation allows for the subdivision of a lot containing a heritage listed place (either entered in the State Register of Heritage Places or the heritage list in the local town planning scheme) in order to facilitate the ongoing maintenance and conservation of the heritage place. This can be achieved via a Heritage Agreement between the Heritage Council of WA, the Local Government and the owner, and is binding on subsequent owners.
MMI	Mullewa Municipal Inventory.
RHP	State Register of Heritage Places as compiled and maintained by the Heritage Council of WA.

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Place Name	Place Ref No. (MI, RHP, Ass No.)	Place Address	Why at Risk?	Recommended Action	Risk Rating 1, 2, 3, 4
GERALDTON					
Gatekeeper's Cottage Fmr, Bluff Point	GMI 69 RHP 13253 A 12566	Lot 3046, 308 Chapman Road, Bluff Point	Unoccupied for several years, interior fire March 2010, future use options appear to be tied with adjacent residential subdivision.	Liaise with owner regarding future use options, ongoing maintenance and site security.	3
Gatekeeper's Cottage Fmr, Utakarra	GMI 122 RHP 13373 A 16245	Lot 2710 6 Eastward Road, Utakarra	Unoccupied for many years, future use options restricted by planning for North-South Transport Corridor.	Liaise with owner regarding future use options and ongoing maintenance.	3
Victoria Hotel Fmr	GMI 296 A 11550	Lot 8 185 Marine Terrace, Geraldton	Unoccupied for several years, future redevelopment options of site, and broader West End area, could result in partial or total demolition. Place is vulnerable to vandalism.	Liaise with owner regarding ongoing maintenance and site security, future use options including restoration and re-use or removal with interpretive outcome and recycling of suitable building materials.	3
Radio Theatre Fmr	GMI 301 RHP 1060 A 11554	Lot 20 205-09 Marine Terrace, Geraldton	Unoccupied for several years, minimal maintenance, pigeon ingress. Lack of sustainable reuse options.	Liaise with owner regarding ongoing security and maintenance of building. Inform owner about funding options (HCWA grants program for conservation plan/works), and HLSS.	3
King's Picture Theatre Fmr	GMI 407 A 11591	Lot 21 Fitzgerald Street, Geraldton	Unoccupied for many years, future redevelopment options of site, and broader West End area, could result in development pressure.	Liaise with owner regarding ongoing security and maintenance of building. Inform owner regarding incentives – HLSS.	3
Geraldton Railway Station Fmr	GMI 305 RHP 1068 A 18043	Lot 2842 246 Marine Terrace, Geraldton	Unoccupied since Museum vacated, minimal maintenance. Current vision for reuse as Visitor Centre still to be realised (In planning phase as at Dec 2013). <i>Note: Conservation Plan prepared in 2007.</i>	Ensure building remains secured against ingress (weather, vermin & vandals), implement ongoing maintenance as required, including pest control. City to actively implement conservation plan recommendations and secure a viable re-use for the place.	2
Semi-detached Houses	GMI 354	Lot 9	Minimal maintenance undertaken in	Liaise with owner to ensure ongoing	3

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(2) 100-102 Sanford Street	A 11636	100-102 Sanford Street Geraldton	recent years. Owner applied for demolition in 2012, wanting to sell a vacant block.	maintenance of building minimises deterioration of fabric. Inform owner regarding HLSS.	
GREENOUGH					
Maley's Mill & Store	GRMI 17 RHP 1165 A 3213	CG 142 Phillips Road Greenough	Considerable damage caused by a fire in Oct 2013, resulting in roof and wall collapses to 3 storey mill. Further collapse highly likely unless urgent stabilisation works carried out. <i>Note: Conservation Plan prepared in 1999.</i>	Support owner with seeking funding assistance to undertake stabilisation works to ensure ongoing use of building.	1
Delower's Cottage	GRMI 21 A 3970	Lot 1 Crowther Road Greenough	Unoccupied for many years with no future use options presently being considered.	Liaise with owner to ensure ongoing maintenance of building minimises deterioration of fabric. Support owner with investigating reuse options. Inform owner regarding HLSS.	3
Greenough Hotel (fmr)	GRMI 30 RHP 1143 A 4119	Lot 1 of CG 293 Gregory Road, Greenough	Unoccupied for many years with no future use options presently being considered. <i>Note: Conservation Plan prepared in 1998.</i>	Liaise with owner to ensure ongoing maintenance of building minimises deterioration of fabric. Support owner with investigating reuse options for this and other nearby buildings.	3
Clinch's Mill	GRMI 32 RHP 1146 A 4119	Lot 1 of CG 293 Gregory Road, Greenough	Unoccupied for many years with no future use options presently being considered.	Liaise with owner to ensure ongoing maintenance of building minimises deterioration of fabric. Support owner with investigating reuse options for this and other nearby buildings.	3
Cliff Grange	GRMI 32 RHP 1154 A 3485	Lot 3 of CG 294 Gregory Road, Greenough	Unoccupied for several years with no future use options presently being considered.	Liaise with owner to ensure ongoing maintenance of building minimises deterioration of fabric. Support owner with investigating reuse options for this and other nearby buildings.	3

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Barn Cottage	GRMI 47 A 3594	CG 85 McCartney Road, Greenough	Unoccupied for many years with no future use options presently being considered.	Liaise with owner to ensure ongoing maintenance of building minimises deterioration of fabric. Support owner with investigating reuse options for this and other nearby buildings.	3
Barn	GRMI 48 A 4086	Lot 1 of Pt CG 85 McCartney Road, Greenough	Unoccupied for several years with no future use options presently being considered.	Liaise with owner to ensure ongoing maintenance of building minimises deterioration of fabric. Support owner with investigating reuse options for this and other nearby buildings.	3
Wesley Church	GRMI 49 RHP 1167 A 3594	Part Lot CG 85 Cnr Company & McCartney Roads, Greenough	Unoccupied for many years with no future use options presently being considered. Building requires repairs (eg guttering). <i>Note: Conservation Plan prepared in 1998</i>	Liaise with owner to ensure ongoing maintenance of building minimises deterioration of fabric. Support owner with investigating reuse options for this and other nearby buildings.	3
Gray's Store	GRMI 50 RHP 1153 A 3789	Pt CG 77 Cnr Company & McCartney Roads, Greenough	Unoccupied for many years with no future use options presently being considered. Yard walls showing particular signs of deterioration and without attention may partially collapse. <i>Note: Conservation Plan prepared in 2000.</i>	Liaise with owner to ensure ongoing maintenance of building minimises deterioration of fabric. Support owner with restoration of yard walls and investigating reuse options for this and other nearby buildings.	2
Temperance Lodge	GRMI 51 A 3789	Pt CG 77 Company Road, Greenough	Stone ruin requires ongoing maintenance and clearing of invasive vegetation to minimise deterioration over time. Capping to tops of stone walls could prevent future collapse.	Liaise with owner to ensure ongoing maintenance of building minimises deterioration of fabric. Support owner with removal of invasive vegetation.	3
Ahearn Cottage	GRMI 53 A 3002	CG 160 McCartney Road, Greenough	Unoccupied for several years. While some maintenance work is ongoing, unless a sustainable ongoing use can be found for the place its condition could deteriorate.	Liaise with owner to ensure ongoing maintenance of building minimises deterioration of fabric. Support owner with investigating reuse options. Inform owner regarding	3

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				HLSS.	
Three Bottle Farmhouse	GRMI 63 A 3205	Lot 6 of CG 463 Company Road, South Greenough	Stone ruin requires ongoing maintenance and clearing of invasive vegetation to minimise deterioration over time. Previous proposed development to Caravan Park included restoration & reuse of building – in abeyance.	Liaise with owner to ensure ongoing maintenance of building minimises deterioration of fabric.	2
Stoneleigh	GRMI 65 A 3804	Lot 1 of CG 720 Brand Highway, South Greenough	Building in ruinous condition and deteriorating rapidly. Potentially beyond repair.	Liaise with owner to encourage stabilisation of building to minimise future deterioration of significant built fabric. Liaise with owner to discuss future options for place including heritage subdivision.	1
Greenough Farmer's Club Hall	GRMI 73 A 3096	CG 726 Brand Highway South Greenough	Unoccupied for many years with no future use options presently being considered.	Liaise with owner to ensure ongoing maintenance of building minimises deterioration of fabric. Support owner with removal of invasive vegetation. Discuss reuse options for the place, including heritage subdivision.	2
St James' Anglican Church	GRMI 82 RHP 1145 A 3064	CG 703 Brand Highway	Unoccupied for many years with no future use options presently being considered. <i>Note: Conservation Plan prepared in 2006.</i>	Liaise with owner to ensure ongoing maintenance of building minimises deterioration of fabric. Support owner with investigating reuse options for this and other nearby buildings.	3
Stokes' Cottage	GRMI 86 A 3083	CG 895 Brand Highway, South Greenough	Unoccupied for many years and falling into a ruinous condition with invasive vegetation contributing to deterioration.	Liaise with the owner regarding reuse options for the place, including heritage subdivision. Inform owner about HLSS.	1
Ventura Cottage	GRMI 102 A 1167	VL 1479 Arthur Road, Georgina	Unoccupied for many years and showing signs of rapid deterioration.	Liaise with the owner regarding reuse options for the place, including heritage subdivision. Inform owner about HLSS.	2
St Thomas' Catholic	GRMI 112	VL 1349	Unoccupied for many years with no	Liaise with the owner regarding	3

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Church	A 3196	Cnr Arthur & McCartney Roads Georgina	future use options presently being considered.	reuse options for the place and HLSS.	
Island Farm Homestead, Shepherd's Cottage & Barn	GRMI 134 A 3147	VL 1023 Via Hamersley Road Walkaway	Unoccupied for many years and showing signs of rapid deterioration.	Liaise with the owner regarding reuse options for the place, including heritage subdivision. Inform owner about HLSS.	1
Cottage Ruin	GRMI 149 A 3587	Lot 12 of VL 816 Allanooka Springs Road, Walkaway	Unoccupied for many years and showing signs of rapid deterioration.	Liaise with the owner regarding reuse options for the place, including heritage subdivision. Inform owner about HLSS.	2
Newmarracarra Homestead & Outbuildings	GRMI 156 RHP 3443 A 1036	Lot 7 of Vic Loc 12 Geraldton-Mt Magnet Rd, Bringo	Unoccupied for many years with no future use options presently being considered. Conservation works have been ongoing over recent years (reroofing, verandahs). <i>Note: conservation plan prepared in 1996.</i>	Liaise with the owner regarding reuse options for the place, including heritage subdivision. Inform owner about HLSS and other funding assistance.	3
Eastern Valley Hotel (fmr)	GRMI 169 A 9861	Loc 1063 Geraldton-Mt Magnet Rd, Moonyoonooka	Unoccupied for many years and showing signs of rapid deterioration. Under threat from proposed Oakajee Transport Corridor.	Liaise with relevant government agency regarding significance of place, options for retention, possible recycling of building materials and interpretive outcome.	1
Riverside Cottage	GRMI 174 A 9832	Lot 9001 Verticordia Drive, Strathalbyn	Unoccupied for many years, building in ruinous condition and deteriorating rapidly. Owner would like to demolish the existing heritage buildings to accommodate a new house on the lot.	Liaise with the owner regarding reuse options for the place, including potential sale of property. Inform owner about HLSS.	1
Ellendale Homestead & Outbuildings	GRMI 179 A 1122	CG 126 Ellendale Road, Ellendale	Ruinous condition and potentially beyond repair.	Liaise with owner regarding options for stabilisation or possible recycling of building materials and interpretive outcome. Notes: Ellendale Pool interpretive signage includes reference to the Homestead.	1, 4
Geraldton Airport – Engine House &	GRMI 217	Geraldton Airport Gordon Garrat Drive,	Engine House – unoccupied with no reuse planned as yet, some asbestos	Engine House - Liaise with relevant City officers regarding reuse options	EH - 3 AR - 4

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Archaeological Ruins of No.4 Service Flying Training School		Moonyoonooka	issues. Archaeological Ruins – threatened by development of Light Industrial Estate.	and interpretive outcomes. Archaeological Ruins – Liaise with relevant City staff regarding possibility of retaining appropriate ruins/ foundations on public space and/or road reserve with meaningful interpretation.	
MULLEWA					
Railway Water Tank	MMI 32 RHP 6105	VCL Lot 75 Maley Street, Mullewa	Structure in a deteriorating condition. Stabilisation on timber base urgently required with ongoing maintenance. <i>Note: Conservation Plan for Railway Group prepared in 2010.</i>	Liaise with relevant City officers regarding maintenance plan, incorporating structural engineer's input. Support efforts to secure funding for stabilisation and conservation works.	2
Devil's Creek Hall	MMI 44	Reserve 19785, Lot 12 Mullewa-Mingenew Road	No longer in use.	Support local community consultation regarding future use options.	3
Woongoondy Hall	MMI 45 A 1416	Lot 20 Cnr Mullewa – Mingenew & Hebiton Roads	No longer in use. Building not secured.	Secure the building. Support local community consultation regarding future use options.	3
Pallottine Monastery	MMI 49 RHP 1673 A 8882	Lots 8396 & 10924 160 Pallottine Road Tardun	Building and precinct no longer in use – for sale. Reuse options a challenge given remote location. <i>Note: Conservation Plan prepared in 1999.</i>	Support measures that achieve a sustainable reuse of the precinct and the ongoing conservation of the fmr Monastery. Advise current and future owners regarding funding options, including HLSS.	3
Christian Brothers Agricultural College – Main Building, Convent and Chapel	MMI 50, 51 & 52 RHP 1672 A 671	Portion Vic Loc 9416 970 Kelly Road, Tardun	Buildings no longer in use – for sale. Reuse options a challenge given remote location and scale of precinct. <i>Note: Conservation Plan prepared in 1999.</i>	Support measures that achieve a sustainable reuse of the precinct and the ongoing conservation of the heritage buildings. Advise current and future owners regarding funding options, including HLSS.	3

Recycling of Heritage Building Materials

Discussion Paper

Background

The purpose of this Discussion Paper is to investigate how the City of Greater Geraldton can assist heritage property owners with sourcing building materials from redundant (heritage) buildings and structures in order to encourage the restoration of the City's heritage assets.

Throughout the City of Greater Geraldton and the wider MidWest Region there are opportunities for heritage restoration projects to benefit from enhanced access to heritage building materials. Restoration can not only be a time consuming and costly exercise, but it can often be quite a challenge to source appropriate building materials for certain projects. While it is always sad to see the demise of a heritage building (whether through approved demolition, surplus to requirements, storm damage etc), through the careful and considered dismantling of heritage buildings and structures the opportunity for recycling and reuse of heritage building materials is greatly enhanced. The recent example of the reuse of timber flooring from the demolished Warriedar Shearing Shed (DEC owned) to reinstate the timber verandahs of the original Glengarry Homestead was a pertinent example of how the loss of one building greatly benefited a significant heritage asset in the district.

PHOTOGRAPH: Reinstated timber verandah at original Glengarry Homestead utilising timbers recycled from Warriedar Shearing Shed.



Current Situation

The CGG presently stores remnants of the Greenough Convict Bridge (or Maley's Bridge) timber deck and stone from the demolished Gould's Cottage at the City's Depot site at the Geraldton Airport. The reuse of the materials was always the objective, with some bridge timber having already been used for the construction of benches accommodated on the front verandah of the Old Store at Central Greenough. (Please note that plaques identifying the source of the timbers still need to be installed – Action?).

PHOTOGRAPH: One of two benches located on the front verandah of the Old Store at Central Greenough, fabricated by Max Royce using timber from the old Convict Bridge deck.



The City also plans to reuse some of the old bridge timbers in public art and/or furnishings at the new Council Chambers in the Civic Centre. (According to Bob Davis) Meanwhile the Gould's Cottage stone rubble was being stored for reuse in restoration projects on local heritage buildings (as per the fmr Shire of Greenough condition of approval for demolition), however has inadvertently been bulldozed into a pile during a clean-up at the site.

Issues

- The current City Depot site is to be redeveloped and consequently a new site must be found to store the existing materials (timber decking & stone rubble). *Action: The anticipated timeframe for the closure of the current Depot needs to be clarified so that necessary arrangements can be made.*

- The old bridge deck timbers need to be stored appropriately (off the ground, covered, and if necessary sprayed for termites?) so as to maintain it in a suitable condition for reuse.
- Liaison needs to occur with the relevant City staff to ascertain how much timber is required for the Civic Centre Project. The remaining timber can then be released for reuse.
- Potential reuse options for the timber include additional bench seating at Central Greenough and the Greenough Pioneer Museum. Max Royce from Greenough Woodworks was involved with the construction of the benches at Central Greenough. *Action: Clarification of the previous arrangement needs to be sought (ie did Max construct the timber benches under the proviso that he secured some additional timbers for his use?)* Central Greenough Manager, Kevin ?, has indicated his keen interest to secure additional benches and tables made from the bridge deck. Additionally, Gary Martin, Caretaker of the Greenough Pioneer Museum, has also noted the relevance of that Museum as a possible recipient of any similar items given the close association of the place with J.S. Maley. *Action: Agree on how timbers can be reused.*
- *Action: An assessment needs to be made of the Gould's Cottage stone rubble to ascertain if any of it is still usable. If the material can be reused, it needs to be cleaned up, sorted and stored appropriately. If the stone rubble is no longer able to be used, the material needs to be disposed of.* Possible reuse options need to be investigated with priority given to Council owned heritage buildings and then MI listed places. Options could include stonework for interpretive measures (bases for signage, bases for benches etc), public art, restoration of stone walls etc.
- Interpretation Considerations: Investigate and agree on how the history of the source material can be interpreted in any new project. Plaques identifying that the Central Greenough timber benches are made from material sourced from the Convict Bridge timber still need to be actioned.
- Liaison with relevant City staff including Bob Davis and Depot staff.

Future Options for Recycling of Heritage Building Materials

Option One - City Operated Storage Facility for Heritage Building Materials

- An appropriate location should be agreed on with necessary on site storage facilities investigated including an undercover area, security etc.
- Ongoing management of the site and the stored materials needs to be determined, including the following:
 1. Person responsible for managing the facility.
 2. Determining the necessary storage requirements for the materials such as undercover (in a shed, under tarpaulins, in a sea container etc), in the yard (pest and weed control).
 3. Who decides and how is it determined what materials are accepted into the Storage Facility? Is the material of sound condition and able to be reused?
 4. Maintaining a catalogue of the building materials to record the source place so that future interpretive opportunities can be explored. Interpretation of source material could be a condition of release.

- Investigate how to promote the Storage Facility to ensure wide dissemination of information regarding the available heritage building materials.
- Determine an equitable system for release of materials to ensure no conflict of interest or other conflict arises. Consider that materials should only be released for use on places included in the City's three Municipal Inventories. This would provide for an additional incentive to owners to have their properties included in the MI.

Option Two – City Operated Email Network

- Establish a Registry of local restoration projects and/or restorers. Level of information required needs to be determined (eg types of materials being sourced etc) as maintaining currency of information may be problematic.
- When the City becomes aware of heritage building materials becoming available (possibly via demolition approvals or liaison with other government agencies such as DEC etc) action an email circular to people listed on the Registry to advise them.
- It is then up to the people themselves to liaise with the property owner, inspect the subject material and arrange for transportation etc.
- The Email Network could also work in conjunction with the Storage Facility as a way in which to disseminate information about the building materials being stored.
- Liaison with IT staff regarding viability of email network.

Option Three – Conditioned Demolition Approvals

- Investigate whether the recycling of building materials can be built into the Planning and Building framework for approving demolition of MI listed (or otherwise) buildings and structures.
- This raises questions such as who determines what materials can be reused, relevant insurances, Health & Building issues such as asbestos etc.
- Liaison with Planning staff to determine whether this is feasible.

Case Study

Recently the Heritage Council of WA gave permission to the PTA to demolish the Gatekeeper's Cottage located at Short Road, north of Walkaway. The approval was conditional on a scope of works for the careful 'deconstruction' of the building being prepared by a heritage consultant, who would also oversee the deconstruction works. A further condition was for appropriate interpretation to be implemented on the site.

PHOTOGRAPH: Gatekeeper's Cottage, Short Road approved for demolition with recycling of building materials a positive outcome.



The PTA's consultant conservation architect has since prepared the scope of works (as per below) and identified building materials which could be used for the restoration of both the Bluff Point and Utakarra Gatekeepers Cottages.

WORKS SCHEDULE:

DECONSTRUCTION OF GATEKEEPER'S HOUSE (fmr), BRADLEYS

The overriding intention is to salvage maximum original fabric for future use in the conservation of Utakarra and Bluff Point Gatekeepers' Houses (fmr).

Prior to any works commencing on site, the following is required:

- Site meeting with all parties to discuss and agree fully on what works are to be carried.
- All relevant insurances will apply on this project and will be provided in hard copy.

The deconstruction works are recommended as follows;

- Erect a star picket bunting fence around the perimeter of the house with appropriate signage forbidding unauthorised entry.

- Disconnect all services and remove all service and connection elements associated with the building.
- Remove the corrugated iron roof sheeting, trims and roof plumbing elements, and dispose of off site (may be retrievable for re-use at Utakarra or by other parties).
- Remove all Asbestos elements according to the Australian Standards in compliance with all health and safety requirements and dispose off per statutory requirements, by an approved contractor;
 - External and internal kitchen wall linings and kitchen ceiling (possible)
 - External bathroom elements
- Deconstruct brick chimney.
- Remove all roof timbers including (and with particular attention to) the board linings from the original shingle roof, as well as roof structural elements, ceilings joists and bearers. Retrieve all salvageable elements of the boarded lining and viable jarrah roof timbers. Relocate to the secure lockup garage at Bluff Point site.
- Ceilings are irretrievable- dispose of off-site.
- Demolish and dispose of the following off-site;
 - side lean-to including all external laundry and bathroom additions (concrete block) and all associated elements
 - front verandah enclosure (concrete block balustrade and end walls, and louvered remains
 - interior kitchen fitout
 - cement block wall in rear room
 - fireplace in living room
 - freestanding external structures
- Deconstruct stone walls, retrieving undamaged stone elements. All stone with cement render, plaster or cement mortar to be removed from site. Particular attention to retaining and relocating the quoin stones and arched header bricks. All retrievable stone and bricks to be relocated to the Utakarra site for future use.
- Retrieve all viable timber window frames or parts thereof. (Bluff Point site)
- Retrieve all viable tongue and groove timber floor boards. (Bluff Point site)
- Retrieve all viable sub floor timber joists and bearers. (Bluff Point site)
- Remove concrete floors and dispose of off-site.
- Remove any remaining elements from the site and dispose of to ensure a clear site with no evidence or remains of the dwelling, outbuildings or other elements, including existing remnant fencing.

(Acknowledgement: Laura Gray)

NOTE:

Determining what building materials are suitable for recycling and the preparation of a Works Schedule for the deconstruction of a building would appear to be paramount to the success or otherwise of such a project. The Heritage Adviser will closely monitor the progress and outcomes of the deconstruction of the Short Road Gatekeepers Cottage and any successful reuse of materials and report back to the Heritage Advisory Committee in due course.

PHOTOGRAPH: Timber lining to underside of verandah roof could be reused along with feature bricks and stonework.



Discussion Paper prepared by Tanya Henkel, Regional Heritage Advisory Service.

HAC Agenda Item 5.7 Historical Mullewa Burials – Pioneer Cemetery, Pindar and Wooderarrung Spring

Wooderarrung Spring



Pindar





Mullewa Pioneer Cemetery



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IMAGE: P2106 (p 15), Undated, Marine Terrace, Courtesy of the Geraldton Regional Library

1.0

Introduction

The City of Greater Geraldton in the Mid West Region of Western Australia is responsible for significant natural, historic and Aboriginal heritage. From identification and management of heritage places, to encouraging the recording of local histories and ensuring Aboriginal culture is recognised and promoted, it is important the City of Greater Geraldton has a clear strategy to enable these values to be looked after.

The first Heritage Strategy for the City was adopted in 2013. Many of the actions and aims in the Strategy were implemented and achieved, a summary of these have been included in Appendix 1. This new Strategy assists the City to determine priorities and ensure efficient use of resources for heritage over the next five years. The actions are connected to and complement the City's overall vision and reference has been made to related policy and strategic documents. Consultation with City staff and community representatives has also determined the direction of this Strategy and identified the challenges and opportunities for future action. Importantly, the actions contained herein have been developed to ensure they are achievable, prioritised and result in real outcomes for the community.

The management of heritage is shared within the City of Greater Geraldton, with **Libraries and Heritage** primarily responsible for the implementation and monitoring of this Strategy along with the support of Council and other relevant City departments and officers.

1.1 Vision

The Vision for the City of Greater Geraldton is,

*'A prosperous, diverse, vibrant and sustainable community'*¹

The region's heritage supports this vision and the detailed actions have been determined with this goal in mind. Heritage is integral to communities and their identity; the environment and contribution to vitality and sustainability; and the recognition and celebration of diverse cultures.

1.2 What is Heritage?

¹ City of Greater Geraldton Community Strategic Plan 2017-2027 p.6

"Valuing our heritage helps us learn more about ourselves and gives us a sense of belonging and place."²

Heritage is something inherited from the past and valued enough today to leave for future generations (National Trust of Western Australia). Heritage encompasses natural, historic and Aboriginal tangible and intangible elements. Heritage is expressed through places – buildings, landscapes, public parks and gardens, archaeology, infrastructure, monuments and public art. It is also represented in objects, artefacts, archives, photographs, maps, drawings;

as well as our traditions, events and celebrations, people's memories, artist's expressions, Dreaming stories and the more subtle marks of past people and their cultures.

Heritage is intrinsic to a community's history, environment and culture. It should not be viewed in isolation, removed from normal planning or policy processes or seen as a burden. Rather, the acknowledgement, conservation, management and interpretation of heritage values can result in economic, social and environmental benefits for communities.

² City of Greater Geraldton, Local Heritage, <https://www.cgg.wa.gov.au/live/my-community/local-heritage.aspx>



1.3 Greater Geraldton's Heritage

With a population of approximately 40,000 people and spanning an area of 12,600 square kilometres, Greater Geraldton was created in 2011 after the amalgamation of the Shires of Mullewa and Greenough. Geraldton was proclaimed a municipal district in 1871, later amalgamating with the Shires of Mullewa and Greenough to form the City of Greater Geraldton in 2011.

The region's Aboriginal people who have lived in the area for over 40,000 years consist of the various groups who collectively form the Yamaji. This includes the Wilunyu/Amangu people, Naaguja people, Wadjarri people, Nanda people, Badimia people as well as the Martu people from the Western Desert.³

With a landscape spanning the coast to the desert, the outstanding Houtman Abrolhos Islands is an area of natural significance with 122 island located 60kms off the

coast and stretching over 100km teaming with marine and bird life. The *Batavia* tragedy is also associated with this place when in 1629 the Dutch East India Company ship was deliberately steered off course before being wrecked off the Morning Reef. 125 men, women and children were murdered during a two month long mutiny as part of a plan to steal the valuables on board.

Geraldton was originally surveyed around 1850 with mining and pastoralism supporting the establishment of the town. The first town jetty constructed later that decade provided an early port for the region. The present port was constructed in 1924 with subsequent upgrades as the region grew.⁴ Geraldton is an important service area for the region's industries including mining, pastoralism, fishing and tourism.

The town of Mullewa was gazetted in 1894 to support pastoral leases and receive grains produced in the wider region. Monsignor John Cyril

Hawes, a priest and architect was responsible for designing several buildings including the Church of Our Lady of Mount Carmel in Mullewa and impressive St Francis Xavier Cathedral in Geraldton. The hamlet of Greenough established in the mid-1850s is largely a ghost town with many of the buildings under the custodianship of the National Trust of Western Australia.

HMAS *Sydney 11* was a significant maritime tragedy during WWII when the Australian navy ship was destroyed by the German HSK *Kormoran* which also did not survive the battle. It took 66 years for the wreckage to be found and a major memorial to those who lost their lives overlooks Geraldton.

As the capital of the Mid West region, Geraldton and the surrounding district has an active community and a distinct history which reflects its remoteness, determination and fortitude.

³ City of Greater Geraldton, Aboriginal Culture, <https://www.cgg.wa.gov.au/live/my-community/aboriginal.aspx>
⁴ Mid-West Port Authority, History, https://www.midwestports.com.au/history_and_facts.aspx



2.0

Provisions and Framework

2.1 Current Statutory Provisions

The Planning and Development Act 2005, Heritage of Western Australia Act 1990 and the Aboriginal Heritage Act 1972 provides the statutory framework for heritage and planning in Western Australia. As well, *State Planning Policy 3.5 Historic Heritage Conservation* specifically 'applies principally to historic cultural heritage including heritage areas, buildings and structures, historic cemeteries and gardens, man-made landscapes and historic or archaeological sites with or without built features.'

The City of Greater Geraldton operates under two local planning schemes which include *Local Planning Scheme No. 1* and *Town Planning Scheme No. 1A (Greenough River Resort)*.

The aims and activities of this Strategy support these legislative frameworks and the City's statutory obligations.

2.2 Community Strategy

This Heritage Strategy supports the City's current Community Strategic Plan (Community, Environment (Natural & Built), Economy and Governance). In particular, heritage falls under the Community category, in addition heritage has relevance to Economy (3.2 Lifestyle & Vibrancy) and Governance (4.1 Community Engagement)⁵.

5 City of Greater Geraldton, 2017-2027 Strategic Community Plan,



3.0

Opportunities and Challenges

3.1 Opportunities

The City of Greater Geraldton has a number of opportunities and potential to build upon the actions and initiatives which have been developed and promoted in previous years under the 2013 Heritage Strategy.

The City has experienced Libraries and Heritage staff providing support and delivering heritage training to regional libraries and other Councils. The CGG Heritage Advisor provides advisory services for owners of heritage places and City officers. The Heritage Advisory Committee acts as a conduit between the community and Council.

The City has a good level of historic information available publically including a comprehensive Municipal Inventory; excellent online communication of information on heritage and local history and a dedicated local history collection at the City's Library.

Grants provided both by the City (i.e. the Community Grants Program) and via external sources provide opportunities to support one off or ongoing projects. This includes annual support by the City for the three regional museums.

Aboriginal heritage can be further developed and is supported by the Reconciliation Action Plan and other

programs including Storylines with the support of the State Library of Western Australia.

There are opportunities to work more closely with tourism to enhance existing experiences and attractions. With the Abrolhos Islands and wildflower season attracting large amounts of tourists, increasing the awareness of associated historic and Aboriginal heritage can be targeted. The Yamaji Drive Trail for instance allows visitors and locals to experience the natural landscape as well as learn about the region's Aboriginal culture and history.

3.2 Challenges

The City of Greater Geraldton has experienced significant budgetary constraints which has led to a reduction of City staff numbers⁶ as well as subsequent cuts to the activities and services previously offered. Economic downturns can have a marked impact on heritage-related activities. In this challenging environment, it is essential to ensure that any proposed actions are achievable within existing constrained conditions.

Ensuring there is sufficient support for heritage activities within the community can be a contested area with essential services, e.g. infrastructure, health, community services etc. often taking priority. Greater Geraldton is widely known for its natural landscapes with wildflower season a particularly

popular time of year. The history and cultural heritage is less well known. Increasing awareness for both locals and visitors is a challenge which requires effective communication.

Greater emphasis on partnerships with organisations including educational institutions, sourcing external funding opportunities and

6 City of Greater Geraldton, Annual Report 2015-16, p 4

4.0

Heritage Strategy: Aims and Actions

This Heritage Strategy has been developed in accordance with the City of Greater Geraldton's priorities and Council policies. A number of prioritised actions, based around the themes of *knowing, protecting, supporting and communicating* have been developed to assist the City to achieve heritage-related goals and provide an outline of activities to enable resources to be effectively directed.

This Strategy provides an outline for current and future heritage activities in the City of Greater Geraldton. It does not dismiss or exclude any new proposed projects or initiatives considered in the future; however, these should be assessed within the parameters of the aims and actions of this Strategy.

IMAGE: Ilgarijiri Sculpture, City of Greater Geraldton



4.1 Knowing

Understanding the region's history, culture and environment is fundamental to planning and managing heritage. The City will take positive steps to be informed and act as a leader for the community in developing and nurturing the connections in the community.

Action 1.

Ensure Elected Members and internal employees are aware of heritage related subjects including the purpose and use of the Municipal Heritage Inventory, intercultural awareness training and heritage legislation. Heritage training should be included in Induction Packages for Councillors and employees.

Action 2.

Encourage City officers to take part in training and networking opportunities through WALGA and the State Heritage Office who administer programs and activities.

Action 3.

Support the Heritage Advisory Committee through setting clear actions or goals for the year and encouraging diverse membership to include those with expertise or interest in natural and Aboriginal heritage, the arts, tourism and business.

Action 4.

Review and update places of heritage significance included on the Municipal Inventory by ensuring new information is added as required and to deal with new nominations in a

timely manner.

Action 5.

Investigate places of significance for Aboriginal people and develop appropriate actions to support this. This should be supported



IMAGE: Greenough work, National Trust of WA



IMAGE: P825, children swimming off the jetty Undated, Steve Douglas

4.2 Protecting

Understanding statutory controls and policies and adhering to best practice is vital to creating a positive environment which values and protects our region's heritage.

by the Reconciliation Action Plan.

Action 6.

Ensure the management and protection of natural, historic and Aboriginal heritage values appear in all relevant Council documents by having these documents reviewed by the CGG Heritage Advisor during the development stage.

Action 7.

Continue digitisation of existing archived records and consider developing a relocation plan for the existing archives across the City. Investigate funding opportunities to undertake these activities, e.g. Lotterywest, National Library of Australia.

Action 8.

Source funding opportunities for City assets and places

including grant programs (refer to 'Useful Resources') and the National Trust's heritage appeals.

Action 9.

Continue to support the Yamaji Yanda project through the State Library's 'Storylines' program.

Action 10.

Connect the region's areas of natural significance, i.e. Chapman River, Bootenal Springs etc. by featuring these places as part of heritage activities, for example developing an oral history project or collecting photographs and objects related to these places and their values.

Action 11.

Conservation Management Plans and Schedules of Works

for City-owned heritage places should be regularly reviewed, prioritised and managed to set a good example to the community.

Action 12.

The City should continue to recycle built fabric at its own properties and encourage the community to undertake this action.

Action 13.

Continue to manage the Local Studies Collection based at the Geraldton Regional Library as a peak depository for local history materials, including written, audio, and visual materials, as guided

IMAGE: Mullewa Masonic Lodge, City of Greater Geraldton



IMAGE: P1014, Jenner family outside house 1901, Houlst Farm



4.3 Supporting

Supporting the community to value our region's heritage through the provision of advice, sourcing funding and developing opportunities to encourage the community to value their heritage.

by the CGG Operational Policy (OP019) Local Studies Collection Development Policy.

of events and programs to support the City's heritage initiatives as part of the Everlasting program.

Action 14.

Support community museums through continued funding, advice and maintenance as required and ensure all three community museums meet national standards and current best practice for museums.

Action 17.

Continue to provide support to owners of heritage listed places through the CGG Heritage Advisor role who provides valued assistance and advice to owners of heritage places in the City.

Action 15.

Maintain community grants programs in the City to provide assistance to local community groups including information on external grants available. This can include Country Arts WA and the Department of Culture and the Arts.

Action 18.

Encourage stronger partnerships with external stakeholders. This can include tertiary institutions which may provide opportunities for students to research and other projects in the City as well as the WA Museum and National Trust of Western Australia, who have an existing presence in Geraldton, through regular and ongoing communication.

Action 16.

Generate corporate and commercial sponsorship



4.4 Communicating

Communicating and celebrating the region's heritage provides opportunities for the community to appreciate their history, culture and environment and to promote the region to visitors.

- Action 19.
Promote related sites and trails through annual events such as the Australian Heritage Festival (April – May).
- Action 20.
Open days and/or guided tours for properties and parks owned by the City could be organised with assistance from community museums, Aboriginal groups and community organisations.
- Action 21.
The photographic and oral history collections are popular, consider ways to circulate and promote these resources further, for example publishing a new photo each week or sharing a short oral histories online.
- Action 22.
Proposals for new heritage trails in the city and region should be encouraged and supported and require a coordinated response.
- Action 23.
Vacant or underutilised shopfronts in the City could be used as temporary galleries with historic images posted in the windows. The 'City Vibrancy' program could investigate this with corporate sponsorship sought.
- Action 24.
Include local schools as part of relevant communications to increase the awareness of places available for school groups to visit.
- Action 25.
Continue to develop connections with Aboriginal communities, undertake Aboriginal heritage public awareness talks and investigate establishing trails for sites of significance in the region.
- Action 26.
Develop a program to recognise outstanding heritage projects in the City. An online method of requesting nominations and presenting awards every two years would achieve this aim without substantial investment of scarce resources.
- Action 27.
Develop heritage information including updates and 'good news' stories on the City's website ('Latest News' on the homepage) to support a wider appreciation of the region's history.
- Action 28.
Continue to collect, record and publish stories related to the region through the *Mid West Heritage* and oral history programs. Support from the State Library of Western Australia may be sought.
- Action 29.
Promote the City's achievements and awards in heritage. These should be widely promoted such as on the Council's website, in local media, temporary signage at winning buildings could also be considered. This can be used as a focal point for promoting heritage to the wider community and tourists.
- Action 30.
Investigate ways of linking heritage to other local programs such as the Mid-West Arts Prize. With several categories, consider the development and sponsorship of a heritage/local history category that highlights the region – this could be done in partnership with the tourism industry.
- Action 31.
Commission the development of a Thematic History for the City of Greater Geraldton when resources allow. This provides a framework which can be used in guiding the Municipal Inventory as well as Interpretation Strategies by identifying the major themes (e.g. agriculture, industry, migration etc.) which have shaped the region. Grants may be available to support this (refer to Lotterywest).
- Action 32.
Investigate the possibility of developing stronger links with tourism. This may include having historic information available to visitors (e.g. the Mid West booklet series) and cross promotion.
- Action 33.
Continue to develop a visual and informative online presence for the Local Studies Collection via the Library Management System hosted by the Geraldton Regional Library.

5.0

Implementation

This Strategy should be adopted by the City of Greater Geraldton's Council and made accessible to all stakeholders. Whilst **Libraries and Heritage** staff have primary accountability for the implementation of this Strategy; it is important that City staff are aware of, and understand, their responsibilities and commitments for the implementation of this Strategy. For example, Urban & Regional Development staff should communicate with owners of heritage places about assistance available, i.e. access to the CGG Heritage Advisor; or Asset Management should ensure materials are recycled.

A progress report has been prepared as a separate document for City staff to record when an activity has commenced, has been completed/achieved or to monitor activity milestones.

IMAGE: Bimara Sculpture, City of Greater Geraldton



6.0

Useful Resources

GUIDES

Interpretation guidelines

James Semple Kerr's *The Conservation Plan*

<http://australia.icomos.org/publications/the-conservation-plan/>

Guide to Conservation Management Strategies

<https://www.stateheritage.wa.gov.au/docs/conservation-and-development/guide-to-conservation-management-strategies.pdf?sfvrsn=12>

The Burra Charter and associated Practice Notes

<http://australia.icomos.org/publications/charters/>

Australian Heritage Commission, *Ask First: a guide to respecting Indigenous heritage places and values*, Canberra

<https://www.environment.gov.au/heritage/ahc/publications/ask-first-guide-respecting-indigenous-heritage-places-and-values>

Australian Heritage Commission, *Australian Natural Heritage Charter*

<https://www.environment.gov.au/heritage/ahc/publications/australian-natural-heritage-charter>

National Trust of Australia (WA), 2007. *Sharing Our Stories (Guidelines for Heritage Interpretation)*

<https://www.nationaltrust.org.au/publications/sharing-our-stories/>

National Trust of Australia (WA), 2012. *'We're a Dreaming Country': Guidelines for Interpretation of Aboriginal Heritage*

<https://www.nationaltrust.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2015/09/WereaDreamingCountryWEBOct13.pdf>



GRANTS

Country Arts WA, The Project Fund

<https://www.countryartswa.asn.au/our-services/funding/project-fund/>

Department of Arts and Culture (various)

http://www.dca.wa.gov.au/Documents/Online_Grants/General_Information/DCA_Grants_Key_Dates_Calendar.pdf

Lotterywest, Heritage and Conservation Grants

<http://www.lotterywest.wa.gov.au/grants/grant-types/heritage-and-conservation>

State Heritage Office, Heritage Grants Program

<http://www.stateheritage.wa.gov.au/conservation-and-development/grants-incentives/heritage-grants-program>

Appendix 1

Achievements

A number of recommendations in the previous Heritage Strategy (2013) have been achieved. These have been listed below with the relevant action number:

- Inclusion of heritage services procedure added to the City's Promapp (electronic risk management application) (Action no. 1.4)
- Completion of the scanning of Conservation Management Plans in the Library's collection (Action no. 2.6)
- Significance assessment of the Mullewa Masonic Lodge (Action no. 2.6)
- Completion of a Conservation Management Plan for Walkaway Public Hall (Action no. 2.6)
- Completion of conservation works to the Old Railway building now in use by the Visitors Centre
- Stock take of Community and Civic archives (Action no. 2.8)
- Valuation of local studies collection completed (Action no. 2.8).
- Disaster Management Plan for offsite storage and local studies collection created (Action no. 2.8)
- Significance Assessment workshop held at the Library (Action no. 3.1)
- Promotional museum banners printed for each Museum (Action no. 3.1)
- Regular maintenance of buildings and grounds (Action no. 3.1 – ongoing)
- Support for the three volunteer Community museums with annual funding. This contributed towards information brochures being designed and printed (Action no. 3.1)
- Oral histories made available online via information sharing with the State Library of Western Australia catalogue (Action no. 3.6)
- Increased advertising for community museums in Museum Australia brochure (Action no. 4.1)
- Development of the Yamaji Drive Trail project with an accompanying Mid West Heritage Series Booklet (Action no. 4.2)
- Local history display at Bundiyarra (Action no. 4.2)
- Community grant awarded to Bundiyarra to further develop the Muguri trails tourist experience at Bundiyarra (Action no. 4.2)
- Yamaji bus tour undertaken as part of Heritage Week in collaboration with Bundiyarra (Action no. 4.2)
- Publication of Mid West Heritage Series booklets including Original Railway Station, Geraldton, History of Geraldton, Aboriginal History of Geraldton (Jambinu) (Action no. 4.5)
- Collaborated with the WA Museum to hold a professional development session for teachers (Action no. 4.6)
- Comprehensive audit of existing heritage and interpretation signage completed with ongoing upgrades as required (Action no. 5.2)
- Municipal Inventory of Heritage Places has been reviewed and additional places have been added (Action no. 1.6)
- The Heritage Conservation and Development Local Planning Policy was reviewed and updated (Action no. 2.3)
- The Geraldton-Beachlands Heritage Area was endorsed as part of the Local Planning Strategy and the Geraldton-Beachlands Heritage Area Local Planning Policy was adopted (Action no. 2.3)
- The Greenough Flats Special Control Area was adopted as part of Local Planning Scheme No. 1 in order to retain the heritage character of the area (Action no. 2.3)

Appendix 2

Heritage Registers

There are several levels of heritage identification and protection in Australia including World, National, State and Local.

World Heritage Listing

This refers to places which are considered to have 'universal significance'. In Australia, these places are mainly natural (such as Shark Bay) but includes built heritage such as the Australian Convict Sites serial listing.

There are no World Heritage Listed places located in the City of Greater Geraldton.

National Heritage List

National Heritage places are those which demonstrate outstanding heritage significance to Australia. These can be natural, historic and Aboriginal places which are privately or publicly owned.

The Batavia Shipwreck Site and Survivor Camps Area 1629 (Place ID 105887) is included within this List.

Commonwealth Heritage List

Commonwealth listed places are those which are owned by the Commonwealth Government and demonstrate outstanding heritage significance to Australia.

The *Geraldton Drill Hall Complex* (Place ID 105658) is included within this List.

State Register of Heritage Places

The State Heritage Office maintains the Register which includes places significant to Western Australia on behalf of the Heritage Council. This listing has statutory authority and proposed development or works to places on the Register requires referral to the Heritage Council for advice.

A search of *Inherit* (the online database of heritage listings maintained by the State Heritage Office, refer <http://inherit.stateheritage.wa.gov.au/public> for places located within the City of Greater Geraldton revealed 81 places included on the Register.

Municipal Inventory and Heritage List

All local governments are required to maintain a Municipal Inventory (MI) which identifies places with heritage significance relevant to that Council but provides no controls for protection. All or part of the MI can be included within a local Council's Heritage List which does provide planning controls to manage proposed changes.

Refer to the City of Greater Geraldton for this information.

List of Classified Places

This List is maintained by the National Trust of Western Australia; however 'Classification' by the Trust has no statutory authority. This listing provides acknowledgement and a record of significant natural, historic and Aboriginal places which is a valuable source of information for the Trust's educational and advocacy activities.

Over 100 places have been Classified or Recorded by the National Trust of Western Australia (including places located within the former Shire of Greenough prior to amalgamation with Geraldton).

Appendix 3

Glossary

Burra Charter

This is a document that outlines the main principles and practices that guide the conservation of significant places in Australia. It was prepared by Australia ICOMOS (International Council of Monuments and Sites), and is the widely accepted standard for heritage conservation practice in Australia. Many, but not all, of the terms in this glossary were originally defined in the *Burra Charter* (refer to 'Useful Resources' for the link to this document).

Conservation

Means all the processes of looking after a place so as to retain its cultural significance. It includes maintenance and may, according to circumstances, include preservation, restoration, reconstruction, adaptation and will commonly be a combination of more than one of these.

Conservation Management Plan (CMP; conservation plan; conservation management strategy)

A document that details how to identify and look after the significant cultural values of a place. Its preparation is a systematic way of considering, recording and monitoring actions and decisions relating to all aspects of managing a place. There are guidelines for the preparation of conservation management plans to ensure that all important matters are considered; refer to James Semple Kerr's *The Conservation Plan* (refer to 'Useful Resources' for the link to this document).

Cultural Heritage

Something inherited from the past and valued enough today to leave for future generations. This could include buildings, landscapes, objects, traditions, stories and so on.

Cultural Heritage Significance

Aesthetic, spiritual, historic, scientific or social value for past, present or future generations.

Cultural Place

A site, area, building or other work valued for its cultural heritage significance, together with associated contents and surrounds.

Curtilage (Heritage Curtilage)

The extent of land around [a place] which should be defined as encompassing its heritage significance. There are four types of heritage curtilage:

- Lot Boundary Curtilage: where the legal boundary of the allotment is defined as the heritage curtilage. The allotment will in general contain all related features, for example outbuildings and gardens within its boundaries.
- Reduced Heritage Curtilage: where an area less than total allotment is defined as the heritage curtilage, and is applicable where not all parts of a property contain places associated with its significance.
- Expanded Heritage Curtilage: where the heritage curtilage is actually larger than the allotment, and is predominantly relevant where views to and/or from a place are significant to the place.
- Composite Heritage Curtilage: relates to a larger area that includes a number of separate places, such as heritage conservation areas based on a block, precinct or whole village.

Heritage Assessment

A systematic assessment that describes a place and its setting and states the significant heritage values of the place based on the criteria outlined in the *Burra Charter*.

Heritage Impact Statement

A document that evaluates the likely impact of proposed development on the significance of a heritage place and its setting, and any conservation areas within which it is situated, and outlines measures proposed to mitigate any identified impact.

Interpretation

'A means of communicating ideas and feelings which help people enrich their understanding and appreciation of their world, and their role in it' (Interpretation Australia). Effective interpretation allows visitors to gain a greater understanding of a place based upon its significance.

Management Category

A designation applied to each Cultural Place or Area on the Municipal Heritage Inventory that gives guidance as to how the future of that place should be managed by the owner, developer and/or Council.

Maintenance

The continuous protective care of the fabric, contents and setting of the place and is to be distinguished from repair. Repair involves restoration or reconstruction.

Municipal Heritage Inventory

A list of places that, in the opinion of the Council, reflect the cultural heritage of the local government area. It could be thought of as a list of the community's heritage assets, and as with any other kind of assets, it is first necessary to know what they are before they can be properly managed. The Municipal Heritage Inventory (MHI) provides no statutory protection; it simply identifies places of heritage significance within the local government area. All or part of the MHI can be included on the local government authority's Heritage List which is incorporated as part of the town planning scheme and ensures statutory protection.

Preservation

Maintaining the fabric of the place in its existing state and retarding deterioration.

Reconstruction

Returning a place as nearly as possible to a known earlier state by the introduction of materials (old or new). This is not to be confused with either re-creation or conjectural reconstruction which are outside the scope of conservation under the principles of the *Burra Charter*.

Restoration

Returning the existing fabric to a known earlier state by removing accretions or by reassembling existing components without the introduction of new material.

Significance

Means the importance and meaning we place on a landscape, site, building, object, collection or installation in the past, now and in the future.

Significance is not absolute. It's about value. Different people value different things at different times in their lives. Values can be personal, family, community, national and/or international.

Significance is assessed in terms of historic, aesthetic, scientific, social and spiritual values.⁷

Statement of Significance

A statement that clearly and concisely sets out the significant heritage values of a place, based on the criteria set out in the *Burra Charter*.

Appendix 4

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IMAGE: P960, Visitors on Arolhos Islands Undated, Neville Thompson

Walkaway Station Museum Report by Rose Ann Jupp

We had our final meeting on the 14th December 2021. We closed the Museum for the summer break on the 19th December 2021. We have our AGM on the 8th March and our opening day will be the 13th March 2022.

It was sad that some of our very old reading books (Dick & Dora & Nip & fluff) were stolen from the Museum. These were the reading books from the 1940 onwards so were very valuable. One of the ladies who grew up in Walkaway and went to school with us contacted us and told us she had sourced five of the books from South Australia and would post them to the museum. Which she did with our grateful thanks.

In the time we were closed we purchased 20 new display cabinets with a grant we received from Infigen Energy who has one of the Wind farms in this area. These were transported to Walkaway for us and in the cooler weather will be put together so some of our displays can be locked. Reason as Above.

We also received a grant from the State Government through Sandra Carr & Lara Dolton to purchase security cameras to cover every room in the museum. These are up and working with thanks to both ladies. Reason as Above

We have also received a grant from the CoGG to purchase a hot water system and new taps for the museum as we didn't have running hot water. This is happening now. Thank you CoGG

The gardens at the museum are going along nicely even the poor old roses who had been burnt with the excessive heat are still going

Even though we have been closed for 11 weeks there has still been work done by a few of us on the off days to bring the museum up to date for our opening season

Rose Ann Jupp

President

Walkaway Museum