

Heritage Advisory Committee

Meeting Agenda

Meeting Name	Heritage Advisory Committee (HAC)	Meeting No.	3 - D-22-056526
Meeting Date	Thursday 9 June 2022		
Meeting Time	10.00am-11.00am		
Meeting Location	Randolph Stow Meeting Rooms, Geraldton Regional Library		
Attendance by Electronic Means	In accordance with the <i>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))</i> the Mayor authorised for Cr T Thomas to attend this meeting by electronic means [Reference: D-22-010168].		
Attendees	Cr. Michael Reymond (MR) (Proxy Chair) Cr. Kim Parker (KP) Cr. Natasha Colliver (NC) Cr. Tarleah Thomas (TT) (by electronic means) Fiona Norling (FN) Leigh O'Brien (LO) Tanya Henkel (TH) Karrie Elder (KE) Trudi Cornish (TC) Lorin Cox (LC) Denielle Riley (DR) Rose Ann Jupp (RJ) Gary Martin (GM) Rita Stinson (RS) Sam Messina (SM) Gary Warner (GW) Marilyn McLeod (MM) Annette Burton (AB) (Minutes)	By Invitation	Pete Treharne (PT) (Acting Manager Community and Cultural Development, CGG)
		Apologies	Cr. Jerry Clune (JC) (Chair)
		Leave of Absence	
		Distribution	As listed. National Trust (WA)
Purpose of Committee	Refer to Committee Book		

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1. Welcome & Apologies

2. Disclosure of Interests

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Committee Recommendation:

4. Action Log

5. Agenda Items

- 5.1 Tenindewa Stockyards (PT)
- 5.2 Moonyoonooka Road Names (JC/TC)
- 5.3 Wongoondy Tardun Road – Mullewa Drive Trail (TC)
- 5.4 Scoping of CGG Cultural Collections (TC)
- 5.5 De Grey – Mullewa Stock Route No 9701 (KE)
- 5.6 Time Capsule, Art Gallery Park (LC)
- 5.7 Historical Mullewa Burials (TC)
- 5.8 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

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Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting

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9 June 2022

Item 3 - Minutes of Previous Meeting 10 March 2022

Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting Name	Heritage Advisory Committee (HAC)	Meeting No.	D-22-028527
Meeting Date	Thursday 10 March 2022		
Meeting Time	10.00am-11.30am		
Meeting Location	Greenough Museum and Gardens, 11 Phillips Rd, Greenough		
Attendance by Electronic Means	In accordance with the <i>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))</i> the Mayor authorised for Cr T Thomas to attend the meeting by electronic means [Reference: D-22-010168].		
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1. Welcome & Apologies

JC opened the meeting and welcomed those present. Apologies were noted from:

Rita Stinson, Leigh O'Brien, Sam Messina, Phil Melling, Gary Warner

2. 2. Disclosure of Interests

No disclosures of interest declared.

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting Committee

Recommendation:

RECOMMENDED that the minutes of the Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting held on 23 December 2021 as previously circulated, be adopted as a true and correct record of proceedings.

COMMITTEE

DECISION:

MOVED: Cr Kim Parker, SECONDED: Cr Michael Reymond

RECOMMEND that the minutes of the Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting held on 23 December 2021 as previously circulated, be adopted as a true and correct record of proceedings.

CARRIED

4. Action Log

Action Log items will be addressed in the agenda items below.

3. 5. Agenda Items

5.1 Chapman River Road Bridge – Overview of Referrals and Exemptions (KE)

KE advised that the Chapman River Road Bridge was added to the State Heritage Register on 31 January 2022. Future maintenance and works are governed by the Heritage Act 2018 and the Heritage Regulations 2019. Whilst the Act requires that local government refer proposals that will, or are likely to affect the Bridge, there are also exemptions built into the Act. KE has provided a summary of these exempted items to the CGG Manager Engineering Services.

5.2 Natural Burials (KE)

KE reiterated that this item had been considered by the previous HAC with regard to the possible re-opening of the State Heritage listed Greenough Pioneer Cemetery. The previous HAC agreed that this might be problematic due to sensitive nature of the site and the need to engage with many stakeholders for this to proceed. KE advised that the Geraldton Cemetery Board do not currently have any future plans to incorporate natural burials.

MR is a member of the Geraldton Cemetery Board and he advised that he would be happy to progress with the Board the idea of natural burials in the CGG.

5.3 Tardun Hall, Wongoondy Hall, Devil's Creek Hall and the former Eradu Hall (TC)

TC advised that the previous HAC were aware of severe damage to the old Tardun Hall as a result of Cyclone Seroja. The City's Heritage Advisor and the CGG Building and Maintenance team have been liaising with the Department of Planning, Land and Heritage (DPLH are site owners) to make the site safe. TC advised the site is on the southern loop of the Mullewa Wildflower Way Drive Trail. There is a rusty iron sculpture and interpretative signs in place. However, these will be reinspected as may be sun affected and also need to have content updated.

TC advised that the City has again recently followed up with the DPLH as to when they will address the condition of Wongoondy Hall or Devil's Creek Hall, with no response yet received.

JC advised that Eradu Hall is no longer standing and would like to make arrangements for interpretative signage be arranged for this site. He advised that the former Eradu Progress Association may have some funds that can be used for this purpose.

TC advised that this had been a past HAC Agenda item and that the Heritage Services team had previously started the process of organising signage for this site but needed further information for the signs to be supplied by a local.

JC advised that he would be able to supply local names that may be able to contribute.

ACTION: TC to facilitate the further investigation of interpretive signage to be installed at the former Eradu Hall site.

5.4 Bells/Duncan's Cottage (TC)

TC advised that the Heritage Services team are providing the current owners of this property with support regarding the creation of an interpretive sign, noting that all costs for design and installation are the responsibility of the owners. The signage is for the owners and future owners of the site and will not be made available to the public.

GM asked about the process in regarding the demolition of a property.

KE advised that the City of Greater Geraldton has formal guidelines and that many conditions that must be met before a property can be demolished by an owner.

JC asked about the process timeline and whether there was time for public to comment on a demolition of a property.

KE advised that the timeframe was short for the City of Greater Geraldton to process a demolition request and that as the buildings are privately owned that sometimes it was not conducive of asking for public opinion.

5.5 CGG Heritage At Risk Register (MR)

MR requested that the CGG Heritage At Risk Register (2014) be tabled to stimulate discussion around incentives/maintenance processes which might potentially be investigated with respect to protecting privately owned heritage buildings in the CGG.

KE advised that the City of Greater Geraldton must adhere to statutory obligations with regard to these buildings and their inspection given they are privately owned.

KE advised that the City of Greater Geraldton's Municipal Inventory needs updating and that the City may need to consult the community regarding whether the City is meeting its heritage expectations. KE suggested that a review could be made in regard to heritage properties and that we could look at what other Councils are doing with privately owned properties. KE advised that town planning doesn't have the personnel resources at the moment and suggested that there could be a need for a Heritage Officer who has the expertise to liaise with private owners regarding their buildings.

TC advised that City has Conservations Plans in place for all City-owned heritage buildings (aside from the Mullewa Town Hall – to be progressed in 2021/2022). Repairs to these sites are prioritised where budget allows.

5.6 Recycling of Heritage Building Materials (MR)

MR asked about the process in regard to recycling of materials from the demolition of buildings.

TC advised that some items are stored at the Depot, such as stone from Guild Cottage and timbers from Maley Bridge, until a use can be found for them. The timbers and stone from the bridge were offered by the City to the Greenough Museum and Gardens in 2020.

ACTION: TC to follow-up on status of timbers and stone at Depot.

5.7 Historical Mullewa Burials – Pioneer Cemetery, Pindar and Wooderarrung Spring (TC)

TC advised that a Request for Quote has been sent out by the City with regard to Ground Penetrating Radar (GPR) works at the Mullewa Pioneer Cemetery. In addition, the City has been liaising with Corrective Services re assistance with the clearing of scrub to make the area assessable for the GPR work.

Small plaques have been installed onto grave sites that were previously at unmarked at Mullewa Pioneer Cemetery (1), Pindar (2) and Wooderarrung Spring (1).

The Mullewa Heritage Sub-Committee has advised TC that they will be seeking to re-engrave stone cairns located at Wooderarrung and also at the Butterabby Graves (off the Mingenew Rd).

5.8 Rocks Laneway – CBD Heritage Walk Trail (TC)

TC advised that five new heritage signs will be installed prior to June 2022 taking people on a short walk through Rocks to Post Office Lane.

KP asked about whether voice signage is possible and TC advised that the Heritage Team will be including QR codes which link to the Library website, with a chapter for each site, along with a downloadable version of the trail booklet. MR thanked the Heritage Services for their work on this project.

5.9 Review of CGG Heritage Strategy (2017-2022) (TC)

TC advised that the CGG Heritage Strategy which was created in 2016 is due for review. This document was prepared by the National Trust WA, following a lengthy consultation period. The meeting discussed the currency of items in the Strategy, which on the whole are strong and still valid.

JC asked if the HAC should review the Heritage Strategy or form a Sub-Committee.

It was agreed that each member of the HAC should review the Heritage Strategy and give their opinion on any changes that may need to be considered as a starting point. Following revision by the HAC, further community input will be sought.

ACTION: All members of the HAC to review the Heritage Strategy (2017-2022) and submit their comments to TC for compilation and discussion at the next HAC Meeting.

4. 6. General Business

6.1 Report from Heritage Services Coordinator

LC advised the following:

- Application submitted for CHART grant funding for photography, creation and printing of community museums promotional flyer. It has been a 50 year partnership with all three community museums and associated LG.
- Upcoming Event - Yamaji Yanda Image Drive at Bundiyarra, 04 April 2022, 1:00-4:00pm
- Upcoming Event - Junior Writing Workshop at Greenough Museum and Gardens, 14 April 2022, 1:00-3:00pm
- Upcoming Event - History of the Town Hall exhibition at GRAG scheduled to be opened towards the end of September. Will include images on top floor from Abdullah family private collection featuring the first Aboriginal Debutante Banksia Ball held in 1972. Opportunity to include a celebration of the creation of the Aboriginal Development and Cultural Council (which preceded Bundiyarra).
- Upcoming Event - Beginners Family History Workshop presented by Geraldton Family History Society scheduled for 18 June 2022.
- Signage replacement Dec 2021 at Lion's lookout featuring Pages Beach and Fisherman's Harbour history.
- Signage has been replaced at Bluff Point Midden site which was suffering terribly from deterioration.
- Queens Park Theatre 40th this year which will be celebrated via social media posts.
- Lighthouse memorial bench seat at Bluff Point: Environment and sustainability team are working in this area to improve access, revegetate and stabilise pathways. Liaising with all parties to ensure sensitivity around original site of lighthouse and lighthouse stone utilised to create memorial.
- Follow up from August 2021 meeting note: Year 3 Local History Education Pack delivered to all primary schools Dec 2022. Western Australian History Foundation Grant.
- Time capsule – we are looking into installing a capsule at the Art Gallery Park to be opened on 12/7/2057 which will be 150 years since the town hall was opened.
- Plaque Chapman River Railway Bridge – was stolen, however, a replacement has arrived ready for installation.
- Mystery Photo collection was a success and a descendant was found. There may be more filming by ABC which may possibly air in April.

- Air Mail Centenary booklet was completed and launched in December 2021.

6.2 Reports from Community Museums

6.2.1 Greenough Museum and Gardens Community Association

Before commencing this report, I would like to acknowledge the deaths of two friends and supporters of this museum, being Stan Maley on 29/01 and Lindsay Royce on 17/02.

Visitors - Despite reduced opening hours, and occasional closures because of COVID, 2021, has been our busiest year with 2,709 paying visitors and 577 children. On 16/10 we raised admission prices to \$9.00 adults and \$7.00 concessions.

Successes - Won the Centacare Volunteer Involving Organisation Award on 3/12. Also successful in obtaining CHART funding for new signs and banners incorporating our new logo and colour scheme.

Collection - Transferred an ice-chest to Dongara's Museum of Fishing and the Sea; Warren Twomey donated a portable Buffalo forge, CVHS a 1941 Sromberg-Carlson radio, Beth Sievenpiper – painting of Raphoe and Wayne Sutton – organ from St James Church, South Greenough.

Collection online - Through funding from CGG, work continues on making the collection digitally accessible. We now have 275 objects listed on CollectionsWA and they are linked to TROVE.

Displays in the Community Hub – “Wild Flowers,” August – October, “Summer at Greenough,” November- February; “Life in the ‘50s,” from March.

Community Events – Alastair McKechnie's book launch 21/08; Barbara McKinnon's 66th Birthday in Kitchen 6/09; Baby Shower on side lawn 26/09; farewell to Helen Clarke & Ric McCracken 13/11; and GM&GCA Xmas Function 19/12.

Events coming up – Unveiling of plaque remembering Stan Maley 16/03 (has been postponed)

Kids Curios Writing Workshop 14/04.

Outdoor cinema courtesy of Shinema 30/04 (all being dependent on COVID restrictions).

6.2.2 Walkaway Station Museum

Report included with tabled documents. RJ read out the report to Committee.

6.2.3 Geraldton Historical Society

No representative present at the meeting and no report presented.

6.2.4 Mullewa Heritage Sub-Committee, Mullewa Community Group

No representative present at the meeting and no report presented.

6.3 Heritage Operational Item Budget (MR)

MR asked if the HAC has or could have an operational budget.

FN advised that the HAC is an Advisory Committee only and that this is not possible. However, project ideas or suggestions that arise via the HAC and which align with the CGG Heritage Strategy may be worked forward by Officers as future budget requests.

6.4 Heritage Staffing (MR)

MR asked if the City should look at the current number of officers who deal with heritage matters and assess whether this needs to be increased.

NC advised that we should address this through the budget process.

FN advised that this need could be identified in the revision of the CGG Heritage Strategy.

7. Date of next meeting

Proposed date of the next meeting is Thursday 9 June 2022, 10-11am, Geraldton Regional Library. Calendar invitation to be circulated.

8. Close

There being no further business the meeting closed at 11.14am.

Signed (Chair – Cr. Jerry Clune)

Date

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

Log #	Meeting Date	Agenda Item #	Action	Resp. Person	Status <small>(Ongoing / Complete / Next Agenda)</small>
HAC-029	10/03/2022	5.3 Tardun Hall, Wongoondy Hall, Devil's Creek Hall and the former Eradu Hall		TC	Ongoing - Update provided at HAC Meeting 10 March 2022, that Tardun was to be removed, no news on Wongoondy or Devil's Creek. Follow-up on signage at former Eradu Hall to be undertaken.
HAC-030	10/03/2022	5.6 Recycling of heritage building materials	Follow-up on status of Maley timbers and Gould's cottage stone at Depot	TC	Next Agenda, 9 June 2022
HAC-031	10/03/2022	5.9 Review of CGG Heritage Strategy (2017-2022)	All members of the HAC to review the Heritage Strategy (2017-2022) and submit their comments to TC for compilation and discussion at the next HAC Meeting	All members HAC	Next Agenda, 9 June 2022



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FAST FACTS

DE GREY – MULLEWA STOCK ROUTE No. 9701

The Heritage Council of Western Australia (the Heritage Council) is considering whether to recommend the Minister for Heritage include the *De Grey – Mullewa Stock Route No. 9701* in the State Register of Heritage Places. The Department has developed this information sheet to answer some commonly asked questions.

What is the role of the Heritage Council of WA?

The Heritage Council of Western Australia is the State Government advisory body on heritage matters. It is vested with functions and powers under the *Heritage Act 2018*. The Heritage Council is charged with the compilation of the State's Register of Heritage Places.

The Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage supports the Heritage Council and the Minister for Heritage.

What is the State Register?

The State Register of Heritage Places is a statutory list of places that represent the story of Western Australia's history and development. Entry in the Register is reserved for places that the Heritage Council has assessed as being of State cultural heritage significance. The Register's primary focus is on places dating from and after European contact and Colonial settlement and includes places to which both Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal Australians retain a connection. The Register acknowledges the value and importance of a place and helps promote its conservation into the future. At present, there are 1,378 places in the State Register.

COVER: Waterfall Watering Point, Mullewa

Who decides what should be entered in the State Register?

The role of the Heritage Council is to determine the State significance of a place and make a recommendation to the Minister for Heritage, who makes the final decision on whether a place is entered in the State Register.



ABOVE: Well 3, De Grey - Mullewa Stock Route

What is the heritage significance of *De Grey – Mullewa Stock Route No. 9701*?

The *De Grey – Mullewa Stock Route No. 9701* is a 1,500 kilometre stock route from Mullewa, to just east of the De Grey River, near Port Hedland. It was first pioneered in 1866 by Edward Timothy (E.T.) Hooley and then formally defined by survey in 1893, before being defined as an A Class Reserve as part of a wider network of stock routes in 1905.

A series of 55 government wells are located along the stock route, sunk approximately 12 miles (19.3 kilometres) apart, which was roughly a day's journey for pastoralists using the route at the time. Several other features are found along the route, including privately dug wells, homesteads, natural bodies of water and stock yards. These other elements are also included in the area for the proposed registration.

The stock route likely includes watering points that were important to Aboriginal peoples. Opening the area up as a stock

route impacted sites of cultural significance to Aboriginal peoples and disrupted their traditional way of life.

The stock route played a significant role in opening up and sustaining the development of the northern districts for pastoralism from the late 1860s. It demonstrates the great number of stock that were being driven to Mullewa and taken from there either as livestock or meat to the Metropolitan Region and the Eastern Goldfields, and how important this was to the State.

The *De Grey – Mullewa Stock Route No. 9701* exists mostly as a surveyed route through the vast, open landscapes of low-lying scrubland, rich red soils and waterways, which are distinctive of the Mid West, Pilbara and Gascoyne regions. The limited development along much the route means there is still a profound sense of isolation, which helps to understand the ambitious and impressive nature of the journey. Although there is no track visible, it is likely there is important archaeological material remaining that may shed light on the lives and activities of early drovers and those who settled along the route.

BELOW: Well 49, De Grey - Mullewa Stock Route



There are several notable figures associated with the route including pastoralists:

- E. T. Hooley – who established the earliest version of the stock route
- George Gooch – who provided advice to the State Government, which informed developing the initial gazetted route in 1891
- Walter Padbury – a pastoralist, merchant and philanthropist, who established the first pastoral lease and station in the State’s north-west on the De Grey River in 1863
- Charles Straker – who was responsible for sinking the series of government wells from 1895.

What does entry in the State Register mean for De Grey – Mullewa Stock Route No. 9701?

Entry in the Register will recognise and celebrate the distinctive heritage values of the stock route and the features along it. It will also offer protection under the *Heritage Act 2018*, ensuring any major changes proposed are in keeping with its cultural heritage significance.

Can I still make changes to my property if De Grey – Mullewa Stock Route No. 9701 is entered in the State Register?

Yes. Inclusion on the State Register of Heritage Places does not prevent an owner or leaseholder from making changes to their property. Owners or leaseholders should discuss any potential development ideas



BELOW: Well 34, De Grey - Mullewa Stock Route

with the relevant decision maker, which in many cases may be the local government authority (LGA) and apply to the Local Government for development approval under the relevant Local Planning Scheme. The Local Government will refer proposals that might impact the stock route to the Heritage Council for advice as part of its standard assessment process. The Heritage Council will advise the decision maker on the heritage aspects of the proposal in light of the cultural heritage values of the *De Grey – Mullewa Stock Route No. 9701*.

The Heritage Council responds to referrals like this within the timeframe set out by the Local Government, so referrals do not create any delay in the development application decision-making process. Owners can also discuss their projects with the Department's Heritage Development team while preparing their plans.

Why does the Heritage Council want to register this place given the stock route is no longer in use or very visible in some areas?

While the stock route is no longer in use, it still tells an important story about the State and its development. It continues to be recognised in the form of Reserve 9701 that was surveyed as an A Class reserve with the designation of stock route in 1905.

The stock route is also visible in the landscape through the many features associated with its historic use including wells, homesteads and natural water sources.

How was the area for the proposed registration decided?

The area proposed for the State Register is based on the land that was reserved for the stock route in the 1905 gazette notice, as shown on historical maps and in land tenure today. This route followed much of the original 1866 stock route pioneered by E.T. Hooley and the later gazetted route of 1893. However, in some areas, the original route now passes through areas of residential or commercial development. As a result, these areas have not been included in the area proposed for registration.

BELOW: Well 9, De Grey - Mullewa Stock Route



What are the benefits of registration?

Registration recognises the place and its significance to the story of Western Australia and will ensure that story will continue to be recognised into the future. Registration also provides the opportunity for those eligible to apply to the **Heritage Grants Program** for funding for physical conservation works or the preparation of conservation management planning documents for important elements along the route.

Does registration affect ownership/public access?

No. Registration does not affect ownership or require owners to give public access to their property.

How can I comment on the proposed registration of De Grey – Mullewa Stock Route No. 9701 Stock Route?

Comments on the proposed registration can be made online through the Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage's **Consultation Hub** or by email to HCWAregistration@dph.wa.gov.au.

The comment period closes Friday 29 July 2022.

What happens next?

Once consultation period has closed, the Heritage Council will consider whether to recommend registration to the Minister for Heritage, who will make the final decision on whether the place is entered in the State Register.

BELOW: Well 35, De Grey - Mullewa Stock Route



Item 5.8 - CGG Heritage Strategy Review Notes Tanya Henkel

Review of CGG Heritage Strategy 2017-2022

Background

The first Heritage Strategy for the City was adopted in 2013. Many of the actions and aims in the Strategy were implemented and achieved, with a summary of these included in the appendix of the 2017-2022 document.

The Heritage Strategy assists the City to determine priorities and ensure efficient use of resources for heritage over a five year period. The actions are connected to and complement the City's overall vision and relevant strategic documents.

It is important that the actions are developed to ensure they are achievable, prioritised and result in real outcomes for the community.

The Heritage Services team is based at the Geraldton Regional Library, under the Development and Community Services Directorate and is staffed by 2 officers (1 full-time Coordinator Heritage Services, 1 part-time (0.74 FTE) Heritage Services Officer. In addition, the CGG Coordinator Strategic Planning, Urban and Regional Development addresses heritage planning matters and the Aboriginal Engagement Officer provides cultural advice and guidance which relate to Aboriginal heritage. The City has access to a Heritage Advisor who provides support across all matters relating to heritage.

The revision of the Heritage Strategy will be informed by the following CGG strategic documents:

Greater Geraldton 2031 Strategic Community Plan

Underpinning the Heritage Strategy are community aspirations contained in the [Greater Geraldton 2031 Strategic Community Plan](#):

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ECONOMY – A healthy and resilient economy that provides opportunities for all whilst protecting the environment and enhancing our social and cultural fabric.

Other Informing Documents

- [Council Policy 1.3 Heritage](#)
- [Council Policy 1.9 Commemorative Plaques](#)
- [Operational Policy OP019 Local History Collection Development](#)
- [City of Greater Geraldton Corporate Business Plan 2021-2025](#)

Review of the CGG Heritage Strategy

Please provide any comments/feedback/suggestions in the following and save a copy of this word document in the Share Folder. Please also complete the Heritage Strategy Action Items sheet and save a copy in the Share Folder.

Please complete this by **Friday 20 May 2022**, giving Officers time to collate the results before our next meeting,

The space provided in the tables below is indicative only. Please feel free to add content as you wish.

VISION:

The CGG Heritage Strategy should help to protect, conserve, promote and celebrate our natural, historic and Aboriginal heritage by providing clear aims and prioritised actions.

OPPORTUNITIES AND CHALLENGES:

Challenge: Dealing with such a large geographic land area and a considerable number of heritage places with a limited budget.

HERITAGE STRATEGY – AIMS AND ACTIONS

The Strategy currently contains 33 Action Items. Please use the Heritage Strategy Action Items form in the Share File to indicate those you wish to see continued.

Please suggest any new Actions/or revisions in the following:

KNOWING:

- Action 1 Elected Member Heritage Training: Encourage this more eg Heritage section within Induction Package, promote councillor attendance at DPLH Seminars etc.
- Action 4 Review and Update of MI: Regular updating of the MI has proven challenging to manage due to several reasons including functionality of the software, limited staff resourcing etc. A more streamlined process is needed to ensure minor upgrades can occur in a timely manner to ensure that the MI is kept current. A large scale review of the MI is now required for all 3 volumes. Amendments need to address the changes in name from MI to LHS.

PROTECTING:

- Action 6 Management and Protection of Heritage: Not sure if signage should be included in this section – perhaps move to Communicating?
- Action 7 Digitisation of Archives & Relocation Plan: CGG Cultural Collections Scoping Study currently underway (22-23). Could potentially emphasise this more.
- Action 11 Conservation Management Plans: Good work has been done in this regard to review, update and prepare CMPs for City owned heritage assets.
- Action 12 Recycling of built fabric: More work needs to occur in this area.

SUPPORTING:

- Action 14 Support community museums: Include reference to Disaster Preparedness and Recovery Plans further to Cyclone Seroja.

COMMUNICATING:

- Action 21 Heritage Trails: Considerable work achieved in this area.
- Action 22 Vacant Shopfront Opportunity: More work needs to occur in this area.
- Consider new technologically advanced interpretive initiatives such as QR Codes, augmented reality and listening posts etc.
- Individual Place Signage: ensure signage is documented via an audit, maintained and upgraded as needs be.

ANY FURTHER COMMENTS:

Edits:

1. 2.1 Current Statutory Provisions: Reference to *Heritage of Western Australia Act 1990* needs to change to *Heritage Act 2018*. Check references to CGG LPS's.
2. Action 1 and others: References to Municipal Heritage Inventory need to change to Local Heritage Survey.
3. Action 2 and others: References to State Heritage Office need to change to Department of Planning, Lands & Heritage.
4. Action 3: Add historic heritage.
5. Action 6: The CGG Heritage Adviser is able to advise on historic heritage but is not trained in natural and Aboriginal heritage so other expertise will need to be enlisted for these areas.

Other Informing Documents:

Knowing:

MHI (3 volumes)

CMPs

Protecting:

LPP Heritage Conservation and Development

LPP Geraldton/Beachlands Heritage Area

SCA 5 Greenough Flats

Review provided by: _____ Tanya Henkel _____

Date: _____ 12 April 2022 _____

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ECONOMY – A healthy and resilient economy that provides opportunities for all whilst protecting the environment and enhancing our social and cultural fabric.

Other Informing Documents

- [Council Policy 1.3 Heritage](#)
- [Council Policy 1.9 Commemorative Plaques](#)
- [Operational Policy OP019 Local History Collection Development](#)
- [City of Greater Geraldton Corporate Business Plan 2021-2025](#)

Review of the CGG Heritage Strategy

Please provide any comments/feedback/suggestions in the following and save a copy of this word document in the Share Folder. Please also complete the Heritage Strategy Action Items sheet and save a copy in the Share Folder.

Please complete this by **Friday 20 May 2022**, giving Officers time to collate the results before our next meeting,

The space provided in the tables below is indicative only. Please feel free to add content as you wish.

VISION:

OPPORTUNITIES AND CHALLENGES:

Still relevant and if anything the budgetary and resourcing constraints may have worsened and could continue.

HERITAGE STRATEGY – AIMS AND ACTIONS

The Strategy currently contains 33 Action Items. Please use the Heritage Strategy Action Items form in the Share File to indicate those you wish to see continued.

Please suggest any new Actions/or revisions in the following:

KNOWING:

Action 4 .

I'd like to try and prioritise a full Local Heritage Survey and Heritage List review as part of this action.

It could be considered that the a full review could fall within the wording, but do we require something more specific or does that fall out of the progress report. Happy to have your thoughts.

Suggested wording:

Review and update **the Local Heritage Survey and Heritage List to ensure that the** places of heritage significance included **reflect the expectations of the community and aligns with the Community Strategic Plan. Continue to add** new information as required and deal with new nominations in a timely manner.

PROTECTING:

SUPPORTING:

COMMUNICATING:

ANY FURTHER COMMENTS:

General – update references to Municipal Inventory as Local Heritage Survey. Reference to Heritage List can stay.

Updates to 2.1 – Need to update Heritage and Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Acts.

Need to remove reference to two town planning schemes and remove reference to TPS 1A.

The City of Greater Geraldton operates under one local planning scheme being *Local Planning Scheme No. 1*.

Review provided by: _Karrie Elder

Date: 25 May 2022

Item 6.1- Heritage Services Coordinator Report

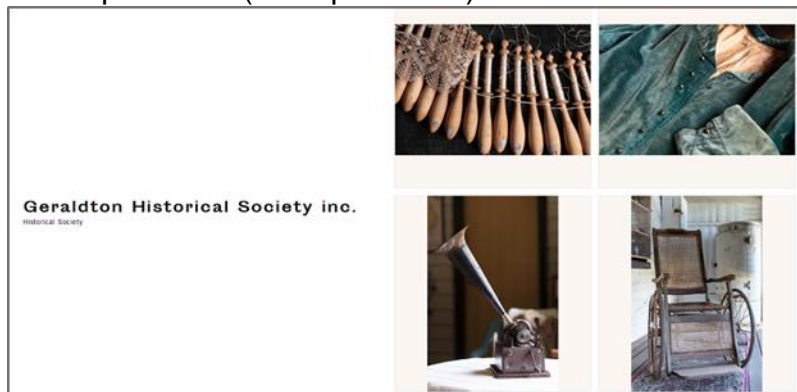
HAC - Heritage Services Coordinator Report – March to May 2022

1. **Signage Project:** The CBD Walk Trail brochure has been updated, redesigned and in the process of being reprinted to include the link from Rocks Laneway through the Post Office Lane Light box Gallery. It will soon be available from the Geraldton Regional Library and the Geraldton Visitor Centre. New signage has been researched by the Heritage Services Team, to be designed and installed along the walk trail.
2. **CHART Grant Update:** Culture, Heritage & Arts Regional Tourism funding was received in April 2022 to refresh the existing community museums brochure and pull up banners. Professional photography was completed in May 2022 and redesign is underway. The professional photographs will be available for use via additional promotional means.
3. *Batavia Coast Maritime Heritage Association Exhibition:* Exhibition detailing the progression of mapping the Western Australian coastline is on display at the Geraldton Regional Library from 23 May – 24 June. Research is



courtesy of Howard Gray from the Batavia Coast Maritime Heritage Association.

4. **History of the Town Hall Exhibition:** The Heritage Services Team have collated Historical material from the Local History Collection RE History of the Town Hall which has been provided to GRAG for curatorial expertise. Exhibition on track to open late September 2022 during the Big Sky Readers and Writers Festival.
5. **CollectionsWA:** Heritage Services staff have assisted the Walkaway Station Museum and the Geraldton Historical Society in creating an online presence (example below).



6. **Local History Enquiries** - Received (January -April 2022) 103 enquiries, 53 hours research assistance provided

Report prepared by Lorin Cox, 24 May 2022.

City of Greater Geraldton Heritage Strategy 2017-2022



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Prepared by the National Trust of Western Australia*

The City of Greater Geraldton respectfully acknowledges the Wilunyu People and the Yamaji People who are the Traditional Owners and First People of the land on which we stand.

We pay respects to the Elders past, present and future for they hold the memories, the traditions, the culture and hopes of the Wilunyu and Yamaji People.

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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



IMAGE: Opera at Greenough, West Australian Opera

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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