

City of Greater Geraldton Municipal Inventory of Heritage Places Place Record

Area: Geraldton **Place Number:** 67 **Category:** 5

 Assessment Date:
 05/12/1996
 Last Revision Date:
 06/10/2009

 HCWA Number:
 13251
 Asset ID:
 MCH126825

PLACE DETAILS

Name: Site of Chapman Smelting Works

Other Names: Chapman Road

Type of Place: Site

Address: Chapman Road

Suburb: Beresford

LOCATION

Map 15.17 GPS 6816058.00 GPS 267140.000

Reference: Northing: 0000 Easting: 000

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SITE DETAILS

Lot No.: Lot 32

Reserv No.: Assess No.: 11835

Dia/Plan: Vol/Fol:

USE OF PLACE

Original Use: Smelting Works

Current Use: Site

Ownership:

Public Access: Yes Occupied: Not Occupied

DESCRIPTION

Walls: Not applicable Roof: Not applicable

Condition: Good Integrity:

Original fabric: Possible archaeological remnants

Modifications:

Situated on the coast side of Chapman Road, the smelting works was located on an elevated site overlooking the ocean and adjacent to the railway line. For many years the site was marked by an old steam boiler from a locomotive which was used on the Ajana-Galena railway. (Source: Stan Gratte) The site is cleared of all evidence of the former smelting works. However, archaeological investigation may reveal evidence of the former site.

HISTORY

Construction Date: 1887 **Source:** Bryant, R. G.

Architect: Unknown Unknown

The Chapman Smelting Works were established in 1887. (Bryant, R.G., "Geraldton", Graylands Teachers College Thesis, 1960, page 18.)

HISTORIC THEMES

HCWA: 310 Manufacturing and processing

AHC: 3.4 Utilising natural resources

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The site of the Chapman Smelting Works has some historic significance as an industry which operated in Geraldton earlier last century.

MANAGEMENT CATEGORY

Management Category: 5

Level of Significance: HISTORIC SITE: The site has historic significance

for its previous use and its role in the historical

development of the locality.

Management Recommendation:

Proposed development may need to have regard to possible archaeological evidence remaining on the site. Recognise and interpret

the site if feasible. This may be achieved

through a variety of methods including, but not limited to, signage, public art, paving treatment and landscaping as well as design treatment of

any new development which reflects the

former use of the site.

OTHER LISTINGS

No other listings

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Bryant, R.G., "Geraldton", Graylands Teachers College Thesis, 1960.

OTHER PHOTOS

No other photos

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