

City of Greater Geraldton Municipal Inventory of Heritage Places Place Record

Area: Greenough Place Number: 30 Category:

 Assessment Date:
 23/09/1997
 Last Revision Date:
 19/04/2005

 HCWA Number:
 1143
 Asset ID:
 MCH126789

PLACE DETAILS

Name: Greenough Hotel (Fmr)

Other Names: Mill Farm Type of Place: House

Address: Gregory Road (East side) (formerly called Clinch

Place)

Suburb: Greenough

LOCATION

Map Geraldton **GPS** 6796950.00 **GPS** 279776.000

Reference: S.E. Northing: 0000 Easting: 000



Photo Description:

19/04/2005 Martin view of front façade from south west

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SITE DETAILS

Lot No.: Lot 1 of CG 293

Reserv No.: Assess No.: 64119

Dia/Plan: Vol/Fol:

USE OF PLACE

Original Use: Residence/Hotel

Current Use: Not in use

Ownership:

Public Access: No Occupied: Not Occupied

DESCRIPTION

Walls: Limestone Roof: Corrugated Iron

Condition: Fair **Integrity:**

Original fabric: Modifications:

The former Greenough Hotel is set on the side of a hill some 300 metres to the north of Cliff Grange. To the north, the original part of the building has two hipped corrugated iron roofs, each with a low set chimney in the centre of the roof at the apex of the gable. There is evidence of verandahs to the west and north facades. This section of the building is constructed of rendered random rubble limestone and has 12-pane timber framed double hung windows. To the south, a stone addition also has a corrugated iron hipped roof with a tall arched entry door set in the west façade. To the east, the original stone kitchen was replaced by a concrete block extension. There is a large cypress tree to the west side of the building. The place is in a deteriorated condition with much of its interior fittings removed. Conservation works, including the reroofing of the building and boarding up of the openings, occurred in April-May 1998, to assist with preservation.

HISTORY

Construction Date: 1867 Source: Palassis

Architect: Not available William Criddle

Thomas Walsh had been granted freehold title to 25 acres of land on location 293 in 1859. In 1867 he was granted a license for a hotel he had built on his property. The licence of the Greenough Hotel was taken over

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by R. Lucas from 1872-76, then by Hugh Stephens from 1876-80 and J.B. Thompson from 1881-88. The hotel was delicensed in 1888 and purchased by Thomas Clinch for his eldest son, Arthur Charles. On 31 July 1888, Thomas Clinch held a complimentary ball for upwards of 150 people in the ballroom at the Greenough Hotel to celebrate his recent purchase of the property. The hotel then became known as Mill Farm. Arthur Clinch ran the nearby flour mill [Place No. 31] and the extensive farm and was Chairman of the Road Board for many years. Arthur married Edith Waldeck, daughter of Joshua Waldeck of Mt Pleasant (Place No. 29) on 8 November 1892. The Clinch family continued to use the ballroom and the place was a centre of social activity during their period of ownership. Gladstone, the youngest son of Arthur Clinch married Caroline Wilson of Woodburn (Place No. 9) in 1923. On their return from their honeymoon they planted the cypress tree which is to be seen in front of the house. It was after Gladstone's marriage that the ballroom was divided into separate smaller rooms. In 1941 the Clinch family sold the property to Terence Angel. At the end of WWII, Cyril Ducas managed the farm which he later purchased. In the 1950s he bulldozed the rear courtyard buildings. The former Greenough Hotel is currently owned by the National Trust of Australia (WA).

(Sources: Palassis Architects, "Greenough District Conservation Masterplan", 1995, p.201 & Greenough-Walkaway Heritage Trail)

HISTORIC THEMES

HCWA: 311 Hospitality industry and tourism

400 Social and civic activities 603 Local heroes and battlers

AHC: 3.22 Lodging people

3.21 Entertaining for profit

7.6.12 Conserving Australia's heritage

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Mill Farm, the former Greenough Hotel, has high historic significance given its important role in the social lives of the early settlers. Further the place is closely associated with the Clinch family, well known in the district. Although in a ruinous condition the building still commands considerable aesthetic appeal given its prominent and elevated position and its close relationship with nearby Clinch's Mill and Cliff Grange. The place contributes significantly to the historic character of the Front Flats.

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MANAGEMENT CATEGORY

Management Category: 1

Level of Significance: EXCEPTIONAL SIGNIFICANCE: Essential to the

heritage of the locality.

ManagementConservation of the place is considered essential. Any proposed change should not

unduly impact on the significance of the place

and be in accordance with either a Conservation Plan or Heritage Impact

Statement.

OTHER LISTINGS

Shire of Greenough - Town Planning Scheme (26), 01/01/1970 National Trust of WA - Classified, 01/01/1970 Australian Heritage Commission - Register, 01/01/1970 Heritage Council of WA - Register, 01/01/1970

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

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No other photos

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