

Area: Greenough	Place Number: 39	Category: 1
Assessment Date: 23/09/1997	Last Revision Date: 19/04/2005	
HCWA Number: 1156	Asset ID: MCH126854	

PLACE DETAILS

Name:	Central Greenough School
Other Names:	Central Greenough State School, Miss Duncan's School
Type of Place:	School
Address:	Gregory Road (East side) (formerly called Clinch Place)
Suburb:	Greenough

LOCATION

Map Reference: Geraldton S.E.	GPS Northing: 6796181.00 0000	GPS Easting: 280170.000 000
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West and north elevations of school

SITE DETAILS

Lot No.:	Lot 53	Assess No.:	63420
Reserv No.:	36061	Vol/Fol:	
Dia/Plan:			

USE OF PLACE

Original Use:	School	Occupied:	Not Occupied
Current Use:	Heritage Place		
Ownership:			
Public Access:	Yes		

DESCRIPTION

Walls:	Limestone	Roof:	Shingle
Condition:	Poor	Integrity:	
Original fabric:			
Modifications:			

Located on the east side of Clinch Place, this simple rectangular random rubble limestone structure is built in Victorian Georgian style. It has a hipped roof which extends to the west to form a porch which covers the front entry and is supported on two tall timber posts. A stone corbelled chimney is set in the east roof of the building. The front entry has double timber doors with an arched transom light above. There are three windows to the sides of the building which are six pane pivot style above and fixed below.

HISTORY

Construction Date:	1865	Source:	Palassis
Architect:	Not available		
Builder:	William Trigg		

The first school building was erected in 1861 near Gray's Store [Place No. 50] in Company Road. However with the growth of the Central Greenough Community a new school was required which was constructed in 1865 to standard government specifications by builder William Trigg. Twenty students were recorded as attending at the end of the first year of occupation. A Miss Duncan was recorded as the teacher in 1880, and the place is sometimes called after her. By 1936, the population of the flats had declined and the school was operating from St Catherine's Hall (Place No. 33) as the school building proper was in a state

of disrepair. The place is currently owned by the National Trust of Australia (WA) who reconstructed it in 1977. The building is very similar in style to the North Greenough State School [Place No.15] which has been demolished. (Sources: Palassis Architects, "Greenough District Conservation Masterplan", 1995, p.206 & HCWA Register Documentation No. 1156)

HISTORIC THEMES

HCWA:	402 Education and science 400 Social and civic activities
AHC:	6.2 Establishing schools 6.5 Educating people in remote places 7.6.12 Conserving Australia's heritage

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Central Greenough School has high historic and social significance for its connection with education in the Greenough District for many years. Further, the place is a good example of a government school of its era given its good condition and high integrity. Its significance is strengthened by the loss of other state schools in the vicinity, making this one a rare remaining example. The school is an essential element of Central Greenough and makes an important contribution to the built environment of the Greenough Flats.

MANAGEMENT CATEGORY

Management Category:	1
Level of Significance:	EXCEPTIONAL SIGNIFICANCE: Essential to the heritage of the locality.
Management Recommendation:	Conservation 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 (34), 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

Bibliography:

HCWA Database No. 1156.

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Suba, T., "The Greenough Front Flats Bibliography of Local Sources and Table of Heritage Places", 1994.

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Photographs:

GHS0955 school ruin (n.d.)

OTHER PHOTOS



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