

City of Greater Geraldton Municipal Inventory of Heritage Places Place Record

Area: Greenough Place Number: 65 Category: 2

 Assessment Date:
 16/12/1997
 Last Revision Date:
 09/02/2005

 HCWA Number:
 1140
 Asset ID:
 MCH126984

PLACE DETAILS

Name: Stoneleigh

Other Names: Bell Cottage, Duncan's Cottage

Type of Place: House

Address: off Brand Highway (west side)

Suburb: South Greenough

LOCATION

Map Walkaway **GPS** 6790028.00 **GPS** 283775.000

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



Photo Description:

9/12/2004 Henkel View of front (east) elevation

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SITE DETAILS

Lot No.: Lot 1 of CG 720

Reserv No.: Assess No.: 63804

Dia/Plan: Vol/Fol:

USE OF PLACE

Original Use: Residence Current Use: Not in use

Ownership:

Public Access: No Occupied: Not Occupied

DESCRIPTION

Walls: Limestone/Brick Roof: Corrugated Iron

Condition: Good **Integrity:**

Original fabric: Modifications:

Located on the west side of Brand Highway in an elevated position, this large stone house faces east with commanding views of the Greenough Flats. The rendered ashlar building has a hipped corrugated iron roof which has covered the original shingle roof evident at the south end where some iron sheets have come off. The roof extends to cover a long verandah to the front (east) elevation which is supported on timber posts. The verandah also extends around the north facade. Windows are timber framed and casement in style with 8 panes. There is a brick chimney to the south and a lean-to at the rear. Immediately to the north is the kitchen which is attached to the main house by a hipped roof. The kitchen is of rendered brick construction with a corrugated iron roof which extends to cover the verandah to the north and west. The roof is punctuated by a corbelled brick chimney to the west. The kitchen building features arched six pane double hung windows. There are a number of stone outbuildings to the north and west of the house, including a possible dairy, the ruins of a blacksmith shop and stables/shearing shed. A feature of the place is the stone walled garden with rendered walls approximately 1.5 metres in height.

2004/05 Review: There has been significant deterioration to the built fabric since the last inspection.

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HISTORY

Construction Date: 1860 Source: National Trust Records

Architect: Not available Builder: Not available

The place has been associated first with R. Bell and then with the Duncan family who owned the property for many years.

(Source: Suba, T., "The Greenough Front Flats Bibliography of Local Sources

and Table of Heritage Places", 1994)

HISTORIC THEMES

HCWA: 100 Demographic settlement and mobility

300 Occupations 602 Early settlers

AHC: 8.14 Living in the country and rural settlements

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Stoneleigh has considerable historic significance as a substantial rural property which has existed on the Greenough Flats for over 130 years. The place has high aesthetic value given its large scale, prominent elevated location and use of local materials. As a collection of buildings, the place makes an important contribution to the built environment of the locale.

MANAGEMENT CATEGORY

Management Category: 2

Level of Significance: CONSIDERABLE SIGNIFICANCE: Very important

to the heritage of the locality.

Management Conservation of the place is highly

Recommendation: recommended. Any proposed change should

not unduly impact on the heritage values of the

place and should retain significant fabric

wherever feasible.

OTHER LISTINGS

Shire of Greenough - Town Planning Scheme (55), 01/01/1970 National Trust of WA - Classified, 01/01/1970

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SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Bibliography:

HCWA Database No. 1140.

AHC Database No. 009620.

Feilman, M., "Greenough Historical Survey of the Front Flats",1977 (55). Suba, T., "The Greenough Front Flats Bibliography of Local Sources and Table of Heritage Places", 1994.



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