

City of Greater Geraldton Municipal Inventory of Heritage Places Place Record

Area: Greenough Place Number: 71 Category: 2

 Assessment Date:
 16/12/1997
 Last Revision Date:
 09/03/2005

 HCWA Number:
 1136
 Asset ID:
 MCH127030

PLACE DETAILS

Name: Old Walkaway

Other Names: Reynolds Road (south side)

Type of Place: Cottage

Address: Reynolds Road (south side)

Suburb: South Greenough

LOCATION

Map Walkaway **GPS** 6793428.00 **GPS** 283151.000

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



Photo Description:

9/12/2004 Henkel Front (north) elevation of cottage

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SITE DETAILS

Lot No.: CG 22

Reserv No.: Assess No.: 64031

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 Roof: Corrugated Iron

Condition: Good Integrity:

Original fabric: Modifications:

Located on the south side of Reynolds Road, just to the west of Brand Highway, this random rubble stone cottage has a gable corrugated iron roof. The original shingle roof is evident beneath the iron sheeting. The roof extends to cover the front (north) verandah which is supported on timber posts. There are brick chimneys to both gable ends. The front facade features three doorways and a timber framed 12 pane window. To the west are the stone ruins of what was possibly a barn. Large doors are evident in the structure.

2004/05 Review: Since the original inspection the cottage has been reroofed and the chimneys repaired. The old stone barn has several bushes growing out of it which would be contributing to its deterioration.

HISTORY

Construction Date: 1850 Source: Heritage Trail

Architect: Not available **Builder:** Not available

In 1852 George Shenton applied to lease 1,280 acres at the southern end of the Greenough Flats, south of the river elbow at Wagawa, now known as Old Walkaway. Shenton's daughter and son-in-law, William Cousins moved to the district to work the lease. Cousins planted what is believed to have been the first wheat crop in the district, however it proved to be a

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failure. The property was subsequently taken up by Edward Hamersley for his son Hugh.

(Sources: Greenough-Walkaway Heritage Trail, Red Book No. 1224, p.132, Ahearn, M., "I Remember", Perth, p.15, Bain, M.A., "A Life of its Own", 1996, p.96)

Old Walkaway was sold to C.D.V. Foss in 1877. The property was later owned by Samuel J.F. Moore of Dongarra. In 1904, Old Walkaway was owned by Moore and occupied by James Bell. By 1914 James Reynolds owned the property. (Sources: Gary Martin)

HISTORIC THEMES

HCWA: 100 Demographic settlement and mobility

302 Rural industry and market gardening

605 Famous and infamous people

AHC: 8.14 Living in the country and rural settlements

3.5.3 Developing agricultural industries

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Old Walkaway Cottage has high historic significance for its association with the early settlement of the Greenough District and possibly the first crop plantings in the area. The place has considerable aesthetic appeal given its simple style and use of local materials. It is representative of farming buildings of the same era. The cottage and outbuildings contribute to the built environment of the area.

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.

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OTHER LISTINGS

Shire of Greenough - Town Planning Scheme (57), 01/01/1970 National Trust of WA - Classified, 01/01/1970 Australian Heritage Commission - Register, 01/01/1970

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

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OTHER PHOTOS



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