

Heritage Advisory Committee

Meeting Agenda

Meeting Name	Heritage Advisory Committee (HAC)	Meeting No.	D-23-075228
Meeting Date	Thursday 29 June 2023		
Meeting Time	11.30am-12.30am		
Meeting Location	Randolph Stow Meeting Rooms, Geraldton Regional Library		
Attendance by Electronic Means	<i>In accordance with the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996 regulation 14C (2) - Attendance has been authorised by the Mayor for Cr Michael Reymond to attend this meeting by electronic means.</i>		
Attendees	Cr. Jerry Clune (JC) (Chair) Cr. Michael Reymond (MR) (by electronic means) Cr. Kim Parker (KP) Cr. Natasha Colliver (NC) Cr. Tarleah Thomas (TT) Fiona Norling (FN) Tanya Henkel (TH) (by electronic means) Karrie Elder (KE) Trudi Cornish (TC) Farnaz Bairaghi (FB) Gary Martin (GM) Rita Stinson (RS) Gary Warner (GW) Leigh O'Brien (LO) Denielle Riley (DR) Sam Messina (SM) Marilyn McLeod (MM) Shiree Hamersley (SH) Annette Burton (AB) (Minutes)	By Invitation	
		Apologies	
		Leave of Absence	
		Distribution	As listed. National Trust (WA)
Purpose of Committee	Refer to Committee Book		

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[Meeting Procedures Local Law 2011](#)

[Council Policy 4.4. Operation of Advisory Committees](#)

[Council Policy 4.2 Code of Conduct for Council Members, Committee Members and Candidates](#)

1 Welcome & Apologies

2 Acknowledgement of Country

I would like to respectfully acknowledge the Yamatji people who are the Traditional Owners and First People of the land on which we meet/stand. I would like to pay my respects to the Elders past, present and future for they hold the memories, the traditions, the culture and hopes of Yamatji people.

3 Disclosure of Interests

4 Applications for Leave of Absence

5 Minutes of Previous Meeting

6 Action Log

7 Innovate Reconciliation Action Plan 2023-2025 (FN)

8 Ex-Victoria District Hospital Staff Association (NC)

9 Plaques Program for State Registered Places (TC)

10 Scoping Study: Future Storage Needs of CGG Cultural Collections (TC)

11 Mullewa Pioneer Cemetery (TC)

12 General Business

12.1 CGG Heritage Advisor – Reports Tabled April 2023, June 2023

12.2 Report from Heritage Services Coordinator

12.3 Reports from Community Museums and Groups

12.3.1 Greenough Museum and Gardens Community Association

12.3.2 Walkaway Station Museum

12.3.3 Geraldton Historical Society

12.3.4 Mullewa Heritage Sub-Committee, Mullewa Community Group

13 Date of next meeting

14 Close

Heritage Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Name	Heritage Advisory Committee (HAC)	Meeting No.	D-23-037933
Meeting Date	Thursday 23 March 2023		
Meeting Time	10.00am-11.30am		
Meeting Location	Randolph Stow Meeting Rooms, Geraldton Regional Library		
Attendance by Electronic Means	<i>In accordance with the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996 regulation 14C (2) - Attendance has been authorised by the Mayor for voting member Julie Freeman to attend this meeting by electronic means.</i>		
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		Leave of Absence	
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JC opened the meeting and welcomed those present.

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3 Disclosure of Interests

No disclosure of interest declared.

4 Minutes of Previous Meeting

Committee Recommendation:

RECOMMENDED that the minutes of the Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting held on 8 December 2022 as previously circulated, be adopted as true and correct record of proceedings.

COMMITTEE DECISION:

Moved: Cr Natasha Colliver, SECONDED: Marilyn McLeod

RECOMMEND that the minutes of the Heritage Advisory Committee held on 8 December 2022 as previously circulated, be adopted as a true and correct record of proceedings.

CARRIED

5 Review of Action Log

No discussions at this time. Review of Wongoondy Hall is ongoing and to be kept on the Action Log.

6 Update – *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2021*

After extensive consultation, in late 2021 WA Parliament passed new laws to reform the way Aboriginal cultural heritage is protected in WA. The *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2021* (Act) provides a modern framework for the recognition, protection, conservation, and preservation of Aboriginal cultural heritage. To support administration of the legislative requirements set out in the Act, a new fit-for-purpose ICT platform known as ACHknowledge (pronounced acknowledge) is being developed to replace the existing AHELP system that cannot meet these requirements.

ACHknowledge is scheduled to go-live on 1 July 2023 in alignment with the proclamation date for the new Act.

For more information:

- Information on the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2021 please click on the link: [Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2021](#)
- For any other questions or for further information, please contact the project team at achknowledge@dplh.wa.gov.au.

7 Innovate Reconciliation Action Plan 2023-2025

FN advised that after extensive consultation and engagement with Reconciliation Australia, external stake holders, community groups, and the general public, the draft Innovate Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) 2023-2025, is now in the final stages of development.

ACTION: FN to circulate draft copy of the Innovate RAP to HAC members.

8 Regional Heritage Workshop

TC advised that a Regional Heritage Workshop for Local Government and Heritage Stakeholders is in the process of being organised by the Department Planning, Lands and Heritage (DPLH) and will be held on Monday 8 May 2023 (10am to 4pm tba) at the Geraldton Regional Library.

ACTION: TC to circulate invitation and more details when these are made available from the DPLH.

9 Review of CGG Heritage Strategy

At the HAC Meeting held 8 December 2022 the new Strategy document was presented to the meeting. The refreshed design included all feedback previously submitted by the HAC, along with photographs from the Local History Collection.

Final input from the HAC on the Strategy document was sought by 13 January 2023, with the final version of the draft document circulated to the Chair and all members of HAC on the 19 January 2023.

The draft Strategy was presented to EMT on 25 January 2023 and endorsed for community consultation. The community consultation period ran from 31 January – 6 March 2023, with no objecting comments received, only favourable ones about the photographs.

TC advised the DPLH have requested to provide further, informal feedback and will send this through by Monday 27 March.

FN advised that if information received from Senior Heritage Officer, DPLH was significant then a Councillor Briefing note would be circulated.

10 Update on Mullewa Drive Trail Signage

TC advised that a Capital Renewal budget bid has been submitted 2023-24 for the renewal of the Mullewa Trails infrastructure. This includes the northern and southern routes, the walk trails in town and the shifting of signage from the decommissioned site on the Wongoondy-Tardun Rd (to be relocated to the Mingenew-Mullewa Rd). A review of the maps and text would also be completed as a component of these works. The Meeting noted the Trail is extremely popular during the wildflower season.

KP – Noted it is great to see repairs undertaken on the old Tenindewa Stockyards.

FN – Advised that the work was completed with funding via CBH and the City. Repairs to the timber fencing was Stage One of the project and that the second stage would be to repair the old ramp.

JC – Noted congratulations to Tenindewa community members for maintaining their passion for local history.

11 Historic Cemeteries

TC advised site inspections had recently been carried out with regard to the Greenough Pioneer Cemetery, Old Walkaway, Bootenal (St John's) and Narra Tarra Cemeteries.

All sites were in relatively good condition with only minor issues identified. Mowing work at Bootenal and Narra Tarra has since been completed. Some removal of weeds in graves at Greenough would be beneficial and it was suggested as an idea for a possible community

busy bee when the weather becomes cooler, as has been conducted in partnership with the Community Group of Greenough in years past.

A Historic Graves and Cemeteries Memorial Request form and Promapp process were created, primarily to assist staff at Mullewa when they receive enquiries about the Mullewa Pioneer Cemetery. However, the form and process also relate to all historical, non-active burial grounds (7) and pioneer memorial walls in the City (3).

TC showed an example of a plaque that will be installed on the Mullewa Memorial Wall, commemorating infants, along with unknown persons buried without full records.

RS asked about installing markers on unmarked graves on private property grave sites.

TC advised that this while the City could provide some conservation advice, the requesting person would need to speak directly with the landowner.

TC advised that an Operating Budget Request 2023/24 had been submitted for GPR work at the Mullewa Pioneer Cemetery and the original burial ground off Maley Street. This would be a two year project.

12 General Business

10.1 Report from Heritage Services Coordinator

Report tabled by FB.

MR asked what the expected timeframe was for digitizing all the donated photographic items.

FN advised that, with the help of volunteers, that she expects that first group of donated photographs will be digitized before the next meeting.

10.2 Reports from Community Museums and Groups

10.2.1 Greenough Museum and Gardens

Presented by GM - As the only non-Government museum open regularly during the summer months, I am happy to report that we have had a very good start to 2023 with 320 paying visitors in the first 8 weeks. The average for this period over the last 4 years has been 206. January figures were boosted by 2 groups from Bambi Child Care. It is also good to see the international visitors return (we now also have a translation available in Spanish).

Forty people attended the opening of "Capture the Moment" an exhibition of the Midwest Bird Photography Competition on 10th December. This stunning exhibition was very well received by the public. It came down on 29th January, and the current exhibition "Baby" displays the museum's extensive collection of baby wear. Next up is a rehang of "Convict Tracks."

A site was cleared for the new toilets at the end of January. We were hoping they could be officially opened in early May. But nothing has happened since. Meanwhile community facilities have been improved with the provision of air conditioning and access to WiFi in the Community Hub building. Repairs to gutters was also undertaken yesterday and today.

Care of the collection continues with the purchase of three new display cabinets in February. They replace three old cabinets that required two people to lift the Perspex tops off every time a display was changed. Those old cabinets have been given to museums at Morawa and Cervantes.

New donations include a map cabinet made in Geraldton in the 1950s complete with several hundred maps. An unused 1970s wind turbine has been transferred to the Morawa Museum.

Coming up next is a bird nest-box workshop courtesy of NACC and Birdlife on 1st April, a Strategic Planning Session on 6th April, a Creative Writing Workshop for Children on 13th April and the Midwest Chapter Meeting on 6th May. Other events in the planning for the next couple of months include an outdoor movie night courtesy of Shinema, Cancer Council Big Morning Tea, morning tea for volunteers and a Garden Workshop.

MR asked if the maps were going to be digitized?

GM advised that the maps will most likely be relocated to Museums to which the maps had locality relevance. He is unsure if they will then digitized by those locations.

MR asked if the Museum is going to obtain charitable status?

GM advised that this is in the process of being organised and that are working through the many steps to obtain this status.

10.2.2 Walkaway Station Museum

No representative present at the meeting and no report presented.

10.2.3 Geraldton Historical Society

RS advised that the Museum reopened two weeks ago.

RS advised that while the Museum was closed the Society had been very actively involved in the recent exhibition at the Geraldton Regional Art Gallery - *Town Hall 1907-1984*, curated by Ingrid Horn, Lorin Cox and Marina Baker. She said that it was a fantastic exhibition that she believed was very well received by the Geraldton public

10.2.4 Mullewa Heritage Sub-Committee, Mullewa Community Group

JF advised that Mullewa Heritage Sub-Committee had yet to meet since the last HAC meeting. She was pleased to be able to attend the HAC meeting, especially by electronic means.

10.3 Further Business

JC asked if TH had anything to report to the Committee.

TH advised that she had distributed her monthly report and was happy to take questions, either during or outside of the meeting.

NC asked about Edith Cowan talks that she heard were going to be held in Geraldton.

FB advised that the talks are part of the Australian Heritage Festival 2023 and are titled "Edith Dircksey Cowan: A unique Position". The talks will be presented by Hilary Silbert at the Geraldton Regional Library from 1 - 5 May.

FB advised that information about the Edith Cowan talks will be sent to HAC members following this meeting.

ACTION: FB to email poster containing details of Edith Cowan talk to HAC members.

13 Date of next meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday 22 June 2023, 10-11.30am at the Geraldton Regional Library. Calendar invitation to be circulated.

14 Close

There being no further business the Chair closed the meeting at 10.55am.

Signed (Chair – Cr. Jerry Clune)

Date

Initial: _____

Heritage Advisory Committee - Action Log - 2022/2023 (D-22-152682)

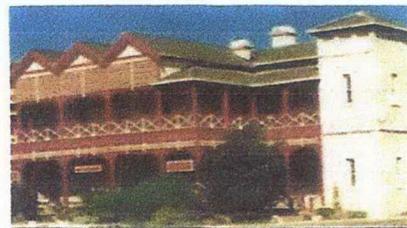
Log #	Meeting Date	Agenda Item #	Action	Resp. Person	Status (Ongoing / Complete / Next Agenda)
	9/06/2022		Report any updates with regard to Wongoondy Hall at next HAC Meeting	TH	Ongoing - To remain on HAC Agenda for time being.
HAC - 037	23/03/2023	7. Innovate RAP 2023-25	Circulate draft copy of RAP to HAC members	FN	Ongoing

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31.03.2023.

Dear cr. Natasha Colliver,

Councillor for the City of Greater Geraldton.

Thank you for your visit & meeting with Phyllis Weldon on 22.11.2022 at the Geraldton Heritage Precinct, where our group—Ex- Victoria District Hospital Staff Association Inc. have a Memorable Display of Hospital Equipment ,Photos of past Doctors, Nursing staff, Domestic,& Orderlies , a Dressed model of a Trainee Nurse from 1948 to 1966 catalogued. The Old Victoria District Hospital is a valuable building for the area, some records of those who worked there, dating back from 1887.

Your support of a letter from City of Greater Geraldton , supporting the re-homing of our Memorabilia Display to the Geraldton Campus, after new extensions to the building are completed in the near future, would be appreciated, when required.

Thank you for your interest in supporting an aspect of Geraldton History .

Maureen Millett. (committee member)



HERITAGE ADVISORY SERVICE

REPORT TO CITY OF GREATER GERALDTON

April 2023

GENERAL

- HCWA Heritage Grants Program: Successful applicants under the recent round of funding were announced including:
Radio Theatre Building, Geraldton - \$14,400 towards a conservation plan
Anglican Cathedral of the Holy Cross - \$7,596 top up funding to previous grant

DEVELOPMENT & PLANNING APPLICATIONS

- Giles Park – Site of Moonyoonooka School: DA referral for proposed replacement of toilet facilities. Report prepared and emailed. NB.
- 1 Grant Street, Beachlands: DA referral for proposed side and rear additions to MI listed residence within Heritage Area. Report prepared and emailed. MS.
- 162 Fitzgerald Street, Beachlands: Received amended plans for residence, carport and store. Prepared and emailed report. SS.
- Lot G33 Brand Highway, Greenough Flats: DA referral for a proposed outbuilding within the Heritage Area SCA 5. Report prepared and emailed. SS.
- 167 Durlacher Street, Geraldton: DA referral for proposed carport to side of MI listed residence. Report prepared and emailed. MS.

PLACE SPECIFIC ENQUIRIES

- 22 Sanford Street, Geraldton: Queries regarding proposed reroofing and options for external colour scheme. Historic research confirmed original metal roof, now tiles, of J.J. Jenner house.
- Wittencoom Building, Cnr Marine Tce & Cathedral Ave: Ongoing liaison with CGG Planning staff regarding proposed second pylon sign to Cathedral Ave frontage. CGG policy only allows for 1 pylon sign.
- Belay Homestead Group, near Walkaway: Discussed status of BA for stone repairs and reroofing of Old Dairy with CGG Building Staff.
- Geraldton Art Gallery (Fmr Town Hall): Discussion with CGG Property staff re damage to windows, uprights etc. Site visit to inspect and photograph. Provided information re matching glass.
- Greenough Museums & Gardens: Liaison with CGG staff regarding the proposed painting of the exterior walls, referral to DPLH for product options. Liaison with DPLH staff to explain background. Provided advice re condition of approval for new ablutions to rear for an archaeological watching brief. Reviewed draft brief and provided comments to CGG staff.
- Bluff Point Lighthouse Keeper's Cottage: On site meeting with Geraldton Historical Society President noting deterioration of guttering to front façade and broken window to shed on northern boundary. Email to CGG staff to advise re guttering.
- Walkaway Railway Station Museum: On site meeting with Walkaway Station Museum President noting deterioration of rail signal in front of building as well as

impact of bird ingress to both sheds. Email to CGG staff to provide information on both items.

- Geraldton Club, Marine Terrace: Query regarding the installation of a stair lift to the main stair to the RHP listed building. To meet on site during April trip.
- Geraldton Masonic Lodge, Augustus Street: Enquiry regarding the proposed replacement of the existing asbestos roof of the RHP listed building. Confirmed listing status and provided contact details for DPLH and offered to meet during April trip.
- Mullewa Town Hall: Reviewed draft RFQ for preparation of a conservation plan.

OTHER

- MidWest Heritage Inc: Attended the 17/2 meeting.
- Mons Hawes Board Meeting: Attended the general meeting on 17/2.
- CGG Heritage Advisory Committee: Attended the meeting on 23/3 via MS Teams.

HERITAGE ADVISORY SERVICE

REPORT TO CITY OF GREATER GERALDTON

June 2023

DEVELOPMENT & PLANNING APPLICATIONS

- Woorree Homestead: Subdivision application for 7 residential lots requiring the demolition of the MI listed homestead, outbuildings, fencing and vegetation. Close liaison with CK at CGG. Site visit during April trip to inspect the place. Liaison with local historian Stan Gratte whose wife worked at the property in the 1940s. Preparation of report and email to CK. Reviewed draft Planning report and provided feedback.
- Railway Gatekeeper's Cottage, Bluff Point: CGG staff member enquired about proposed installation of skylight to the rear roof to meet conditions for natural light. Advised re RHP listing and referral requirements and suggested option of installing a glazed door to rear façade as alternative. Amended DA referral seeking approval for installation of glazed door to rear façade to comply with Building Code natural lighting conditions. NB.
- 13 Burges Street, Beachlands: DA referral for proposed additions and renovations to MI listed residence located within Heritage Area. Report prepared and emailed to SS.
- Mount Hill Homestead: DA referral for proposed restoration, renovation and additions to MI listed homestead. Report prepared and emailed. NB.

PLACE SPECIFIC ENQUIRIES

- Geraldton Club, Marine Terrace: Ongoing liaison with Marilyn McLeod regarding the proposed installation of a chair lift to the RHP listed place. Discussion with Karen Jackson at DPLH regarding options and opportunity for site visit during her May trip.
- Walkaway Railway Station Museum: Meeting with CGG staff to discuss the future of the railway signal, security, key changes, curating assistance, cleaning, etc. Liaised with Stan Gratte, local railway enthusiast to clarify if signal was an original item for the precinct. Emailed findings and recommendations to Jan Featherby.
- Bluff Point Lighthouse Keeper's Quarters: Discussion with CGG staff confirmed that front deteriorated guttering to be replaced further to Feb site visit.
- Geraldton Masonic Lodge, Augustus Street: On site meeting with members of Building Committee to discuss proposed reroofing of the RHP listed building as well as funding options. Emailed information regarding grant opportunities and DPLH staffer Karen Jackson's May visit.
- St Patrick's College: Reviewed the proposed colour scheme for the new Geraldton Flexible Learning Centre to be constructed to the rear of the site. SS.
- Remnant Macadam Roads, S-Bend, Greenough: Email liaison with Gary Martin, Greenough Museum Curator and Trudi Cornish regarding background to proposed interpretive signage for the sections of cobbled road at the road lay-off sites.

- Fmr Bakery & Honeymoon Cottage and Fmr Bank, Gregory Street: Discussion with Gail Bermingham consultant planner re the proposed rezoning of the lots from residential to mixed use and any heritage considerations. Man Cat 2 places located within the Heritage Area.
- Fmr Commonwealth Bank Building, 171 Marine Terrace: Email enquiry regarding the heritage listings for the Art Deco building.
- Bootenal Tavern, Edward Road: Prospective purchaser enquired about implications of MI listing (Man Cat 2) for proposed shed to adjacent carpark area. Discussed issues relating to siting, scale, drainage etc, also front brick fence etc.
- Fmr Mill Manager's Residence, 9 Urch Street: Owner enquired about options for exterior colour palette as well as fretting brickwork to north elevation.

OTHER

- MidWest Heritage Inc: Attended the 11/4 meeting.

Heritage Services Coordinator Report – June 2023

1. Moonyoonooka Giles Park Plaque foundation – repair works.



2. Australian Heritage Festival

- a. Whispered Stories Kids Curious Writing Workshop at Greenough Museum and Gardens - with Lorraine Chapman
Thursday 13 April 2023



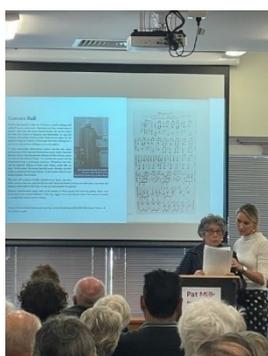
- b. Edith Dircksey Cowan: A Unique Position – Hilary Silbert
(Monday to Friday) 01 – 05 May 2023



3. **Greg Keynes Book Launch** – The Flying Bushman: Stories from the heart
Friday 28 April 2023



4. **Pat Mills Family History Talk** – Ventura and Perejua families.
Saturday 06 May 2023



5. **Mary Taylor's donation** and **Chapman Valley Historical Society donation** are both almost completed. Some items have already been uploaded for a digital display of the item on the online catalogue.
6. **Heritage Services officer** – Introducing Ben Marsh
7. **Consortium Training** took place on 03 April 2023 with a focus on strengthening ties with other Libraries in our regional sector, and the Heritage, and Gallery teams through capacity building (as individuals and as professionals).

8. Midwest Chapter – Saturday 06 May & Sunday 07 May 2023

Looking at collection, conservation, management, and promotion through Collections WA.

9. ABC collaboration

- a. 'Then and Now' project
- b. Apex Cemetery Video

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Then and Now:
A glimpse into local history! The view of Geraldton's main street in the 1970's.
What are we missing now - what businesses would you like to see back on Marine Terrace?
📌 Geraldton Regional Library
For more local news <https://www.abc.net.au/wheatbelt>



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Wendy O'Neill
Yes a lot of beautiful old buildings were bulldozed and especially the post office it could of been left there and modernised the interior but no! They just decided it had to go and what is there now is no use to anyone!!!!

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Wendy O'Neill



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