



City of Greater Geraldton Municipal Inventory of Heritage Places Place Record

Area: Geraldton	Place Number: 49	Category: 5
Assessment Date: 11/11/1996	Last Revision Date: 02/10/2009	
HCWA Number: 1050	Asset ID: MCH126729	

PLACE DETAILS

Name:	Site of Railway Institute Hall
Other Names:	WAGR Institute Hall
Type of Place:	Site
Address:	49-53 Forrest Street, cnr Chapman Road
Suburb:	Geraldton

LOCATION

Map Reference: 15.15	GPS Northing: 6815089.00	GPS Easting: 266920.000
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SITE DETAILS

Lot No.:	Lot 2	Assess No.:	19911
Reserv No.:	22481	Vol/Fol:	3000/889
Dia/Plan:			

USE OF PLACE

Original Use:	Railway Institute Hall		
Current Use:	Department of Social Security		
Ownership:	Western Australian Government		
Public Access:	No	Occupied:	Occupied

DESCRIPTION

Walls:	Not applicable	Roof:	Not applicable
Condition:	Good	Integrity:	
Original fabric:			
Modifications:	Numerous internal adaptations		

The Railway Institute Hall was located on the north west corner of the intersection of Chapman Road and Forrest Street. Photographic evidence reveals that the Hall was a simple timber framed corrugated iron clad building with a gable roof. The office of the Department of Social Security (Centrelink) is now located on the site.

HISTORY

Construction Date:	unknown	Source:	Bain, M.A.
Architect:	Unknown		
Builder:	Unknown		

Dances were held at the Hall. (Source: Amy Zinetti)

HISTORIC THEMES

HCWA:	202 Rail and light rail transport
AHC:	3.8.6 Building and maintaining railways

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The site of the Railway Institute Hall has local historic significance only for its association with rail transport in the town. The site is closely linked with the adjacent Railway Station building.

MANAGEMENT CATEGORY

Management Category:	5
Level of Significance:	HISTORIC SITE: The site has historic significance for its previous use and its role in the historical development of the locality.
Management Recommendation:	Proposed development may need to have regard to possible archaeological evidence remaining on the site. Recognise and interpret the site if feasible. This may be achieved through a variety of methods including, but not limited to, signage, public art, paving treatment and landscaping as well as design treatment of any new development which reflects the former use of the site.

OTHER LISTINGS

Heritage Council of WA - Register, 01/10/1999

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

GLLSPC - Railways.

OTHER PHOTOS

No other photos