

Area: Greenough	Place Number: 56	Category: 5
Assessment Date: 12/11/1997	Last Revision Date: 10/05/2005	
HCWA Number: 13879	Asset ID: MCH126939	

PLACE DETAILS

Name:	St Catherine's Church Site
Other Names:	St Catherine's Church
Type of Place:	Site
Address:	off Company Road (west side)
Suburb:	Greenough

LOCATION

Map	Geraldton	GPS	6794720.00	GPS	279897.000
Reference:	S.E.	Northing:	0000	Easting:	000



Photo Description:

Aerial Photograph - Location Map

SITE DETAILS

Lot No.:	CG 174	Assess No.:	63239
Reserv No.:		Vol/Fol:	
Dia/Plan:			

USE OF PLACE

Original Use:	Church		
Current Use:	Not in use		
Ownership:			
Public Access:	No	Occupied:	Not Occupied

DESCRIPTION

Walls:	Not applicable	Roof:	Not applicable
Condition:	Good	Integrity:	
Original fabric:			
Modifications:			

The site of the original St Catherine's Anglican Church, a timber and iron building, is on the west side of Company Road, approximately 450 metres south of McCartney Road.

HISTORY

Construction Date:	1892	Source:	Palassis
Architect:	Not available		
Builder:	Not available		

The need for an Anglican church at Central Greenough prompted the Rev. J.E. Harston to visit England in 1890. Through the generosity of a Mrs Llewellyn of Baglan Hall, Glamorganshire, sufficient funds were raised to construct a timber and iron church, which was shipped to Champion Bay on the 'Glencoynne' the following year. The church came completely fitted out with seating, altar, reading desk and communion vessels, and the windows were filled with stained glass. The total cost was over 750 pounds. The vestry agreed to erect the church on the rectory block. The church which could hold 200 worshippers and had some "pretensions of architectural beauty" was opened for public worship in February 1892. The church, known as St Catherines, was consecrated by Bishop Parry on 25 March 1892. By 1902 the church structure had been weakened by termite damage and in 1911 a decision was made to build a new church at Central Greenough. The last service was conducted by Rev. T. Whitehead

on 7 July 1912 and the church was demolished soon after, with much of the salvageable material being used in the second St Catherine's Church which was built in 1913. [Place No. 36]
(Sources: Gary Martin, "Victorian Express", April 1, 1892,)

HISTORIC THEMES

HCWA:	100 Demographic settlement and mobility 400 Social and civic activities 603 Local heroes and battlers
AHC:	8.6.2 Maintaining religious traditions and ceremonies 8.5.4 Pursuing common leisure interests

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The site of St Catherine's Church has considerable historic significance for its association with the development of religious activities in the district and in particular as the first Anglican Church on the Greenough Flats.

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

Shire of Greenough - Town Planning Scheme (58), 01/01/1970
National Trust of WA - Recorded, 01/01/1970

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Bibliography:

Victorian Express, 1/04/1892.

Doncaster, E.W., "One Hundred Years on the Greenough," 1964.

Ahearn, M.E., "I Remember," 1977.

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

Palassis Architects, "Greenough District Conservation Masterplan", 1995.

OTHER PHOTOS

No other photos