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MEDIA STATEMENT

Artillery Drill Hall (fmr) lease

The National Trust of Australia (WA) has advertised for expressions of interest in the lease of the Artillery Drill Hall (fmr) currently home to Fremantle's Fly By Night Musicians Club.

National Trust CEO Tom Perrigo said it was vital to ensure all leasing arrangements at National Trust heritage places were transparent and accountable.

"The National Trust's Finance and Audit Committee and Executive have recommended the public advertising of the lease for the popular music venue as standard good governance," Mr Perrigo said.

"We have been very mindful of honouring the existing bookings at the Fly By Night Musicians Club through until September when the lease ends," he said.

The Fly By Night Musicians Club is coming to the end of its current seven year lease.

A decision on a new agreement is expected by mid July following the expression of interest process.

Mr Perrigo said the National Trust property has played an important role as a social and music venue for more than twenty years and favourable consideration would be given to community contribution as well as heritage maintenance in determining the new long term lease arrangements for this significant state registered place.

"I encourage the Fly By Night Musicians Club to respond with an expression of interest that the National Trust will comprehensively consider," Mr Perrigo said.