

Project Brief Thematic Study of National Trust Heritage Places

Proposals are sought from consultant historians with a well developed knowledge of Western Australian history and experience in the application of the Australian Historic Themes Framework to the exploration and understanding of heritage places.

Introduction

The National Trust of Western Australia is statutory authority that works under an Act of Parliament, but at the same time is recognised as a not for profit, community based organisation and a registered charity. The National Trust works both for Government and for the community.

The National Trust of Western Australia aspires to awaken the community to the value of heritage. It manages a substantial portfolio of heritage places and collections on behalf of the community and Government of Western Australia. The National Trust is committed to ensuring the heritage values of its places (both tangible and intangible) are acknowledged through an innovative and engaging approach to conservation, interpretation and community engagement.

The National Trust acknowledges its properties are situated on Aboriginal land across the state and recognises Aboriginal people remain the cultural and spiritual custodians of their land and continue to practise their values, languages, beliefs and knowledge. The National Trust is committed to working with Aboriginal people to ensure these practices are recognised and included in the conservation and interpretation of its properties and Aboriginal people are consulted and involved in the development of Trust projects and programs.

Background

The National Trust has been successful in an application to Lotterywest for funding to assess how its portfolio of places matches against the Australian Historic Themes Framework and to explore the thematic connections between these places. The project is funded over the current financial year (to end June 2019) with grant acquittal in September 2019.

The National Trust manages 71 heritage places across Western Australia - predominantly in the metropolitan area and the south-west of the State. These places are a combination of freehold and crown reserve with management orders in favour of the National Trust. In some cases there are joint management orders. Approximately 31% of the Trust's places are open to the public, 32% commercially leased, 13% have a cost recovery lease and 24% are vacant.

This portfolio of heritage places has been built over decades on an opportunistic basis rather than as a carefully considered collection. Regardless, there are common threads that link many of these places together, some obvious and some more subtle. Until now these thematic connections and the opportunities they present have not been formally considered.

Attached a list of the places managed by the National Trust of Western Australia. The status of each in relation to the Heritage Act of Western Australia and the Register of Aboriginal Sites is shown. The majority have conservation plans in place which provide some level of background history and many also have interpretation plans that include an analysis of the place against the Australian Historic Themes Framework.

Project Aims

The project will assess how places in the National Trust's portfolio of heritage places matches against identified themes within the Australian Historic Themes Framework and within the context of the history of Western Australia. It will interrogate, assess and consider these places in a thematic context rather than as singular items of interest. The portfolio comprises a wide range of heritage elements including buildings and structures; landscapes; Aboriginal and archaeological sites and provenanced collections; all with a wide range of associations and meanings, but with one thing in common:

'These are ... worth keeping because they enrich our lives – by helping us to understand the past; by contributing to the richness of the present environment; and because we expect them to be of value to future generations.' (The Burra Charter: The Australia ICOMOS Charter for Places of Cultural Significance, 1999).

Collectively they offer insights into the complex cultural layering and connections that give a sense of historical continuity, as well as distinctive characteristics. Applying the Australian Historic Themes Framework to this portfolio assists in understanding their multi-layered values and provides a broader context in which to understand and appreciate their significance.

The assessment of the portfolio of places against Australian Historic Themes Framework will highlight what is distinctive about these places and provide a better understanding of their comparative context. The considered examination of connections and commonalities across a seemingly diverse and unconnected grouping of places will enable the Trust to better engage the community and increase awareness and appreciation of their heritage values.

Consideration must also be given to the positive and negative aspects of the themes for example, the introduction of European farming practices has had an ongoing impact on Aboriginal people, and the environment, while concurrently supporting the growth and development of communities. Central to the success of the project is consultation with National Trust volunteers, and engagement with key stakeholders, to ascertain what they perceive to be the most significant themes for more detailed exploration.

It is recognised that finding links between places can be an infinite exercise. It is proposed the project focusses on the places classified as HIGH (see Attachment One) which largely comprises those open to the community. The places listed as MEDIUM will still require serious consideration with those listed as LOW to a lesser extent. However it is also possible to consider property types and current uses (see Attachment Two). It is anticipated the focus will be discussed and agreed between the consultant and the National Trust.

There are many places in the portfolio with links to other heritage places that are not National Trust places (eg Cattle Chosen, a private property, has historic links to Ellensbrook and Wonnerup). There is a density of connections between families and places that also offer opportunities for

interpretation and storytelling in addition to collaborations with other organisations and property owners.

For the National Trust as an organisation the outcomes of this project will form a cornerstone for the management of its whole portfolio of heritage places. A well developed and considered understanding of these places against the Australian Historic Themes Framework heightens the potential for community engagement and the role of these heritage places as vital parts of the communities in which they are situated.

The National Trust will apply the project outcomes to assess the collective value of the portfolio which will in turn support planning, inform future acquisition, and ultimately interpretation and storytelling, marketing and promotion. It will provide an approach to connecting key historical activities and phases covered in the thematic frameworks into evocative storylines within and across the portfolio. The project outcomes will also prompt creative endeavour in the National Trust's collaborations with partner individuals and organisations.

Scope of Works

The scope of works for this project includes the following:

- An interrogation of Australian Historic Themes Framework and a summary description as to how the themes apply to the Trust's portfolio demonstrating connections between place, people and landscape (this is to include consideration of how the Australian Historic Themes Framework applies to a Western Australian context)
- Mapping of the individual places against the Australian Historic Themes Framework and identification of major thematic gaps (if any) in the property portfolio (consideration should also be given to links to relevant school curricula)
- Mapping of thematic links between places, their relative strengths and weightings and the
 extent to which the places are theoretically positioned to amplify these themes
- A thematic overview of the Trust's property portfolio as a whole, what it represents and how
 it is positioned for the exploration and understanding of Western Australia's heritage
- Recommendations as to how this project could be extended in the future, identifying additional considerations and applications for the outcomes such as opportunities for collaboration with other organisations and property owners
- Consultation with volunteers and key stakeholders (to be identified and agreed with the National Trust) regarding their perceptions of the key themes and how various places might be thematically linked

Deliverables

The consultant will be required to present a reverse brief one week after appointment. This will help frame the ongoing direction of the project.

It is anticipated the project overall will result in a report that addresses the scope of works above. The report is to include a graphic representation of the mapping components that will serve as a visual summary of the project findings.

A minimum of two concise stand-alone articles (no more than 800 words) are to be written that will be published by the National Trust in its national magazine or in other publications.

Fees and Timeframe

It is expected the project, for which this brief applies, will be carried out within a budget of \$20,000 +gst inclusive of all fees, travel and disbursements.

The project is to be completed by 4 March 2019.

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Insurance Requirements

Consultants and sub consultants are expected to hold both Professional Indemnity and Public Liability insurances, each to the value of \$20million.

Attachments

- 1. List of National Trust heritage places
- 2. Visual representation of National Trust properties
- 3. Australian Historic Themes Framework (also available at: http://155.187.2.69/heritage/ahc/publications/commission/books/pubs/australian-historic-themes-framework.pdf)

Client Liaison

The primary contact for this project is Sarah Murphy, Manager Interpretation and Collections.

Information Required for Lodging Submissions

Submissions should demonstrate the applicant's knowledge, expertise and experience in projects of this nature, particularly in relation to heritage places.

Submissions must be limited to 10 pages and will be evaluated against the following criteria:

- 1. Demonstrated knowledge of Western Australian history
- 2. Previous experience in the application of the Australian Historic Themes Framework to heritage places
- 3. Response to the brief and proposed approach to the project
- 4. Understanding of the tasks and outcomes
- 5. Value for money

The following details must also be included within the submission:

- Name of the consultant, business address and relevant contact details
- Details of services offered, background and financial standing
- Confirmation of total fee including travel and other disbursements
- Rates for any additional works outside the agreed scope
- Names and contact details of three referees who have had recent dealings with the consultant
- Details of any sub-contractors proposed
- Level of professional indemnity and public liability insurance and name of the company that holds the policy

Submissions

All submissions should be clearly marked, "Thematic Study of National Trust Places" and submitted no later than 9am WST on Monday 5 November 2018 at the following address:

Location Address

Postal Address

National Trust of Western Australia The Old Observatory 4 Havelock Street WEST PERTH WA 6005 National Trust of Western Australia PO Box 1162 WEST PERTH WA 6872

Email Address trust@ntwa.com.au

Email proposals received by the nominated closing date and time will be accepted provided that they are completed, signed, legible and include all necessary information required to be submitted as part of the proposal, and a hard copy of the proposal is forwarded to the National Trust of Western Australia on the same day.

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ATTACHMENT ONE

NATIONAL TRUST MANAGED PROPERTIES				
Metropolitan Place	Local Government Authority	Project Focus		
Artillery Drill Hall	Fremantle	Medium		
Curtin Family Home	Cottesloe	Medium		
East Perth Cemeteries	Perth	High		
Gallop House	Nedlands	Medium		
Luisini Winery	Joondalup	Medium		
57 Murray Street	Perth	Medium		
Old Observatory	Perth	Medium		
Old Perth Boys School	Perth	Medium		
Peninsula Farm	Bayswater	High		
Royal Perth Hospital Heritage Complex	Perth	Medium		
Samson House	Fremantle	High		
Settlers Cottage	Stirling	Low		
Stirling House	Fremantle	Low		
Wanslea	Cottesloe	Low		
Woodbridge	Swan	High		
Non Metropolitan Place	Local Government Authority	Project Focus		
Avondale	Beverley	High		
Beverley Police Quarters	Beverley	Low		
Bill Sewell Complex, Geraldton	Greater Geraldton	Low		
Bridgedale	Bridgetown	Low		
Central Greenough	Greater Geraldton	High		
Cliff Grange	Greater Geraldton	Low		
Clinch's Mill	Greater Geraldton	Low		
Cold Harbour Land	York	Low		
Collie Police Station	Collie	Low		
Collie Roundhouse	Collie	Low		
Cue Masonic Lodge	Cue	Low		
Ellensbrook	Augusta-Margaret River	High		
Gingin Railway Station	Gingin	Low		
Gray's Store	Greater Geraldton	Low		
Greenough Hotel	Greater Geraldton	Low		
Greenough Warden's House	Greater Geraldton	Low		
Hydro Power Station	Dardanup	Low		
Israelite Bay Telegraph Station	Esperance	Low		
Jarrahdale Heritage Park	Serpentine-Jarrahdale	Medium		
Mangowine	Nungarin	High		
Moir Homestead	Esperance	Low		
Old Blythewood	Murray	High		
Strawberry Hill	Albany	High		
Parkwater	Cowaramup	Low		
Pinjarra Courthouse	Murray	Low		
Rosella House	Greater Geraldton	Low		
St James' Church	Greater Geraldton	Low		
St Peter's, Glebe Gilgering	York	Low		

Stone Barn & Cottage	Greater Geraldton	Low
Temperance Lodge	Greater Geraldton	Low
The Hermitage	Greater Geraldton	Low
Walkaway Cemetery (part)	Greater Geraldton	Low
Warden Finnerty's Residence	Coolgardie	High
Wesleyan Church	Greater Geraldton	Low
Whitby Falls	Serpentine-Jarrahdale	Medium
Wonnerup	Busselton	High
York Courthouse Complex	York	High

Golden Pipeline	Local Government Authority	Project Focus
Karalee Rocks	Yilgarn	High
Mount Charlotte Reservoir	Kalgoorlie-Boulder	High
No 1 Pump Station	Mundaring	High
No 3 Pump Station	Cunderdin	High
No 4 Pump Station	Merredin	Low
No 8 Pump Station & House	Coolgardie	Low
Poole Street Bridge	Northam	Low
Weir Village Road Houses	Mundaring	Low

Categories:

- HIGH (17) properties open to the public
- MEDIUM (10) mainly leased properties where there is some interpretation <u>and</u> there is a high chance of *general public* access
- LOW (33) leased properties with low *general public* access, some leased properties, ruins, extremely remote etc

^{*} Golden Pipeline and Greenough properties could be considered as two distinct groupings instead of individual places and would therefore be in the HIGH category

MANAGED PLACES



+ not counted separately * joint management

FREE ENTRY

Mt Charlotte Reservoir, Kalgoorlie*

Strawberry Hill, Albany

BY VOLUNTEERS

East Perth Cemeteries

Woodbridge

No 4 Pump Station, Merredin* Israelite Bay Telegraph Station

Moir Homestead, Coomalbidgup* Karalee Rocks, Yilgarn

No 1 Pump Station, Mundaring

Weir

Peninsula Farm, Maylands York Courthouse Complex S

BY APPOINTMENT

Samson House, Fremantle

Old Blythewood, Pinjarra 10

No 8 Pump Station, Dedari

Ellensbrook, Mokidup

Wonnerup

LEASED RESIDENTIAL

Mundaring Weir Houses (x5) 19 Beachamp St, Albany

Curtin Family Home, Cottesloe Hampton St, Bridgetown

No 3 Pump Station, Cunderdin*

Gingin Railway Station

Avondale

Mangowine, Nungarin

Police Quarters Beverly (x2)

Warden Finnerty's Residence,

Coolgardie

Central Greenough

BY OTHERS

Lowe St Houses, York (x2) 15 Layman Rd, Wonnerup

Lewis St Houses, Geraldton (x2)

VACANT/ RUIN

Bridgedale, Bridgetown

Masonic Lodge, Cue

Collie Round House

Wesleyan Church, Stone Barn & Grays Store, St James' Church, Cottage, Temperance Lodge Grange, Clinch's Mill, Hotel, Greenough buildings: Cliff

Jarrahdale Mill Managers' House Hermitage, Geraldton and Heritage Park

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Avondale farmland, Beverley+

Jarrahdale 1949 Mill

Luisini Winery, Kingsley

Hydro Power Station, Wellington Poole St Footbridge

17

CAFÉ LEASE

Central Greenough+ Peninsula Farm+ Woodbridge+

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(excludes +) **TOTAL 71**

COMMERCIAL

57 Murray St, Perth

Old Perth Boys' School Wanslea, Cottesloe Stirling House, North Fremantle

Bill Sewell Complex, Geraldton Artillery Drill Hall, Fremantle

Rosella House, Geraldton

Cold Harbour land, York Greenough farmland+

COST RECOVERY

Pinjarra Courthouse Collie Police Station

Settlers Cottage, Herdsman

Royal Perth Hospital Heritage Complex, Perth

Whitby Falls Farm, Mundijong Old Observatory, West Perth St Peter's Glebe, Gilgering

Gallop House, Dalkieth

Parkwater, Cowaramup

OPEN

open to the public

ATTACHMENT THREE



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PRACING THE

as the ongoing history of human occupation from diverse areas

> The environment exists apart from being environment, and how our understanding However, a thematic approach recognises a construct of human consciousness. and appreciation of the environment the human factor in the natural

2.2 Adapting to diverse environments

2.3 Coming to Australia as

a punishment

2.4 Migrating

2.1 Living as Australia's earliest

inhabitants

- 1.1 Tracing climatic and topographical
- 1.2 Tracing the emergence of Australian plants and animals
- Assessing scientifically diverse
- 1.4 Appreciating the natural wonders of Australia

2.5 Promoting settlement 2.6 Fighting for land

migration



While Geoffrey Blainey conceived of Australian history as dominated by the tyranny of distance this omney?

the search for a staple on which to base regional economic development.

is alten to Indigenous Australians. Eighteenth and nineteenth century developments in technology made it possible to link the antinent to distant marketplaces, and the incentive for almost every expedition by the first European explorers was the search for valuable resource. Much subsequent Australian history has revolved around

- 3.8.6 Building and maintaining 3.1 Exploring the coastline
 - 3.2 Constructing capital city economies
- 3.3.1 Looking for inland seas 3.3 Surveying the continent
 - 3.3.2 Looking for overland stock routes and waterways
 - 3.3.3 Prospecting for precious metals
 - 3.3.4 Looking for land with agricultural potential
- 3.3.5 Laying out boundaries Utilising natural resources

2.4.2 Migrating to seek opportunity 2.4.3 Migrating to escape oppression

2.4.4 Migrating through organised 2.4.5 Changing the face of rural and urban Australia through

colonisation

2.4.1 Migrating to save or preserve

a way of life

- 3.4.2 Fishing and whaling 3.4.1 Hunting 3.4.3 Mining
 - 3.4.4 Making forests into a saleable resource
- 3.4.5 Tapping natural energy sources
 - Developing primary production 3.5.2 Breeding animals 3.5.1 Grazing stock

2.6.1 Resisting the advent of Europeans

2.6.2 Displacing Indigenous people

3.5.3 Developing agricultural industries

3.6 Recruiting labour

- 3.7.1 Establishing postal services 3.7 Establishing communications 3.7.2 Developing electric means
- Moving goods and people 3.8.1 Shipping to and from Australian ports
- 3.8.2 Safeguarding Australian products 3.8.3 Developing harbour facilities for long journeys
- 3.8.4 Making economic use of inland waterways

- 3.8.7 Building and maintaining roads 3.8.8 Cetting fuel to engines
 - 3.8.9 Moving goods and people by air 3.9 Farming for commercial profit
 - 3.10.1 Assisting Indigenous people 3.10 Integrating people into the cash economy
 - 3.10.2 Encouraging women into into the cash economy employment
- 3.10.3 Encouraging fringe and afternative businesses
 - 3.11.1 Regulating waterways 3.11 Altering the environment
- 3.11.5 Establishing water supplies 3.11.4 Clearing vegetation 3.11.2 Reclaiming land 3.11.3 Irrigating land
 - 3.12 Feeding people
- 3.12.1 Using indigenous foodstuffs
- 3.12.4 Preserving food and beverages 3.12.2 Developing sources of fresh local produce 3.12.3 Importing foodstuffs
 - 3.12.5 Retailing foods and beverages 3.13 Developing an Australian manufacturing capacity
 - 3.14 Developing an Australian
 - - 3.8.5 Moving goods and people on land
- 3.14.1 Building to suit Australian 3.14.2 Using Australian materials engineering and construction

- 3.15 Developing economic links outside Australia
 - 3.16.1 Dealing with hazards 3.16 Struggling with remot hardship and failure
 - and disasters 3.17 Inventing devices
- 3.18.2 Banking and lending 3.18.3 Insuring against risk 3.18.1 Raising capital

3.18 Financing Australia

- 3.18.4 Cooperating to raise capital (co-ops, building societies, etc.) 3.19 Marketing and retailing
- distributing newspapers 3.20.1 Making, printing and 3.20 Informing Australians 3.20.2 Broadcasting
 - 3.21 Entertaining for profit 3.22 Lodging people
 - 3.23 Catering for tourists
- 3.24 Selling companionship and sexual services

3.25 Adorning Australians

- 3.25.1 Dressing up Australians 3.26.1 Providing medical and 3.26 Providing health services dental services
- 3.26.2 Providing hospital services approaches to good health 3.26.3 Developing alternative



Although many people came to Australia suburbantsation have special characteristic in search of personal gain, they realised the næd to co-operate in the building which set them apart from similar phenomena ekewhere in the world. of safe, pleasant urban environment Australian urbanisation and

4.1.3 Learning to live with property 4.1.1 Selecting township sites 4.1.4 Creating capital cities 4.1.2 Making suburbs booms and busts

Planning urban settlements

- 4.2 Supplying urban services (power 4.1.5 Developing city centres
- transport, fire prevention, roads, water, light and sewerage)
 - 4.3 Developing institutions
- 4.4 Living with slums, outcasts and homelessness
- 4.5 Making settlements to serve
- in the development of settlements 4.6 Remembering significant phases towns and cities

