Heritage Place Record Form

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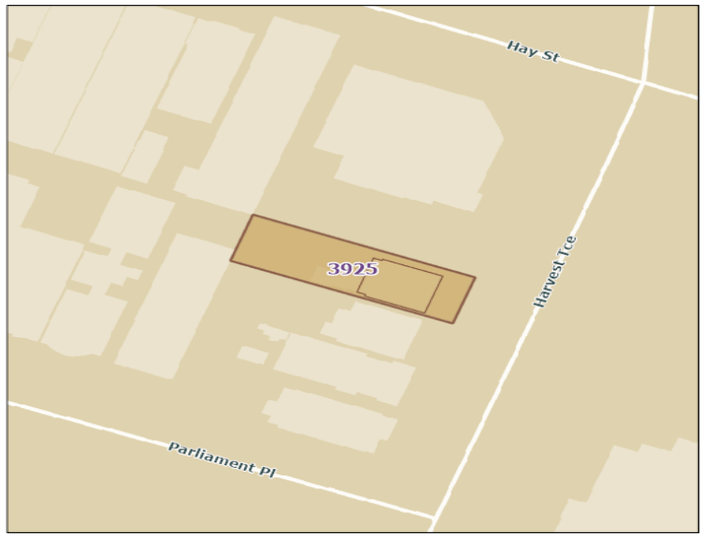

NAME AND LOCATION DETAILS

Place Name	Harvest House
Street Address	7 Harvest Terrace, WEST PERTH WA 6005
Location Description	
Other Names	Kalmeta
Historical Street Address	7 Harvest Terrace
Historical Perth Town Lot	
Place ID	3925
COP Property Key	176878
Property Titles	Lot 1 D 986

PLACE DETAILS

Place Type	Individual Building or Group
Local Heritage Survey	28/03/2023
Local MHI - Draft	13/03/2001
Local MHI - Adopted	13/03/2001
Local Heritage List	29/01/2008
Local Heritage Area	
Local Heritage Area – Building Contribution	
State Heritage Register	Yes
Commonwealth Listed	No
Other Listings	
Heritage Agreement	
Conservation Management Plan	

Original Construction Year	1892; 1893 (1890 - 1893)
Additional Construction Year (1)	
Additional Construction Year (2)	
Demolition Year	

INTEGRITY OF USE

Original - General Use	Residential
Original - Specific Use	Two Storey Residence
Present - General Use	Governmental
Present - Specific Use	Office or Administration Building
Integrity - Summary	Medium

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

Architectural Style 1 General	Federation (c.1890-c.1915)
Architectural Style 1 Specific	Queen Anne
Architectural Style 2 General	
Architectural Style 2 Specific	
Archaeology	
Physical Description	

Harvest House is a two storey Victorian Italianate residence constructed of brick masonry with a corrugated iron roof. The building fronts onto Harvest Terrace, opposite Parliament House in West Perth. It originally had a two storey verandah on the front, but this has been removed and replaced with a concrete porch at ground floor level. HCWA Assessment December 1998

Walls 1 Material	Brick
Walls 2 Material	
Roof Material	Metal - Corrugated Iron
Architect	J J Talbot Hobbs (reported to be Architect); Major Thomas Sherwood; Barry; Womens Service Guild of W
Builder	J J Talbot Hobbs (reported to be Architect); Major Thomas Sherwood; Mr Barry; Womens Service Guild o
Other Associations	

HISTORY

The two storey home was erected for Major Thomas Sherwood's family called Kalmeta. This house was apparently built by a Mr Barry who had won a contract to build Parliament House. The house is believed to have been designed by Perth Architect JJ Talbot Hobbs who was a close family friend.
Harvest Terrace, on which Harvest House is located forms part of the Parliament House precinct in West Perth. In keeping with the original form of terraces, such as St Georges Terrace and Adelaide Terrace in the city which overlook the Swan River, Harvest Terrace had houses erected only on the more elevated side of the street. These homes commanded panoramic views of the city and the large military complex known as The Pensioner Barracks.

WESTERN AUSTRALIAN HISTORIC THEME

4. Social and civic activities - 404 Community services and utilities

AUSTRALIAN HISTORIC THEME

4. Building Settlements, Town and Cities - 4.1 Planning urban settlements
6. Educating - 6.0 Educating

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The place is one of four remaining residential buildings on Harvest Terrace that were of a similar scale and built in the period 1890-1915 and is a tangible reminder of the former residential nature of West Perth.
The place was the headquarters of the Women's Services Guild of Western Australia from the 1956 to 1982, a prominent and active women's organisation concerned with education, health, social justice and equal employment opportunity issues.
Despite external modifications the place demonstrates elements of the Victorian Italianate style in both its proportions and internal detailing.
The place was built as a residence for Major Thomas Sherwood and his family.
Sherwood was a prominent member of Perth's business, religious and sporting society.

NATURE OF SIGNIFICANCE

HERCON Value A - Its importance in demonstrating the evolution or pattern of Perth's history

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HERCON Value B - Its importance in demonstrating rare, uncommon or endangered aspects of Perth's heritage

HERCON Value C - Its potential to yield information that will contribute to an understanding of Perth's history

HERCON Value D - Its importance in demonstrating the characteristics of a broader class of places

HERCON Value E - Any strong or special meaning it may have for any group or community because of social, cultural or spiritual associations

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HERCON Value F - Its importance in exhibiting particular aesthetic characteristics valued by any group or community

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HERCON Value G - Any special association it may have with the life or work of a person, group or organization of importance in Perth's history

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HERCON Value H - Its importance in demonstrating a high degree of creative or technical achievement

HERCON Value I - Any HERCON Value I - Any other characteristic it may have that in the opinion of the decision making body is relevant

CONDITION AND AUTHENTICITY

Condition	Good
Building Fabric Authenticity	Medium level of authenticity.

CLASSIFICATION OF SIGNIFICANCE

Exceptional – Category 1 - Essential to the heritage of the locality. Rare or outstanding example.

REFERENCES

HCWA Assessment

DATE OF SURVEY/ASSESSMENT

Initial date	
Last modified Date	

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