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A photograph of a hallway with a large arched doorway. The floor is made of dark wood. In the background, there is a blue wall and a glass door. Two large, spherical pendant lights hang from the ceiling. The hallway is well-lit and has a modern, clean aesthetic.

HERITAGE COUNCIL OF WA
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Acknowledgement

The Heritage Council of Western Australia recognises the diversity of the Aboriginal peoples of Western Australia and acknowledges the Traditional Owners and custodians and their connection to this land and its waterways. We pay our respect to Elders past and present and those who will follow in their footsteps.



Wirin at Yagan Square.

Overview

Heritage is important in understanding the story of Western Australia – its history, identity and diversity. Heritage comprises places such as buildings and structures, monuments, gardens, cemeteries, landscapes and archaeological sites.

As a community, we share the responsibility for identifying and protecting what is important and passing these places on to future generations so they will understand what came before them.

The Heritage Council of Western Australia (the Heritage Council), assisted by the Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage (the Department), works with Western Australians to recognise, conserve, adapt and celebrate our State's unique cultural heritage.

Our work includes:

- Advising State Government and its agencies on heritage-related issues.
- Assessing and recommending places for inclusion in the State Register of Heritage Places – a statutory list of places that represent the history and development of Western Australia.
- Managing change and adaptation of places to ensure that their heritage significance is maintained while encouraging contemporary use.
- Revitalising vacant and under-utilised State or local government owned heritage properties.
- Assisting local governments with advice and assistance to manage local heritage places.
- Promoting best-practice conservation and enhancing the community's understanding and appreciation of heritage places.



Ngarjarli Art Viewing Trail.

Message from Hon John Cowdell AM Chair of the Heritage Council of WA

On behalf of the Heritage Council of Western Australia, I am pleased to present this overview that highlights our achievements and activities over the 2021-22 period.

I would like to thank my colleagues on the Heritage Council for their support, and welcome incoming councillor Alan Kelsall, an experienced architect who brings a wealth of experience to the Heritage Council. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank outgoing Council member Jennifer Marschner for her invaluable commitment and expertise to Western Australia's heritage through her service over the years.

During the year, the Heritage Council met regularly, on a fortnightly basis, with members also attending conferences, workshops, committee meetings and presentations to further the statutory objectives of the Council.

Recent entries in the State Register of Heritage Places continue to recognise and protect the State's significant heritage places, and include the Don Aitken Centre, East Perth, Coinda, Mount Lawley, Little Wilgie, Cue, and Bob Hawke's House, West Leederville. Other places such as Goldfields Water Supply Scheme, Peel Town Archaeological Sites, De Grey – Mullewa Stock Route No. 9701, City Beach and Floreat Beach Precinct, and North West Stock Route progressed to public consultation.

The Department has continued to work proactively with local government, property owners and developers to achieve positive heritage outcomes with many examples completed or in progress such as Gage Road's A Shed at Victoria Quay, the conservation of Streeter's Jetty in Broome, the conservation of the Royal George Hotel in East Fremantle, the revitalisation of Piccadilly Theatre and Arcade and the adaptive reuse of Perth Girls' School, East Perth Power Station and various projects on Rottnest Island/Wadjemup.

In addition to providing expert heritage advice, the Heritage Council is committed to education and the advancement of heritage values in the general community through Government funding of the annual heritage awards program, heritage grants and sponsorships. This year saw the Council sponsor the Australian Institute of Architects Awards Program and ANZAC Day 2022 commemorations. This year also saw significant upgrades to the Heritage Plaques Program.



Fremantle Prison tour. Image supplied by Base Imagery.

The 29th Western Australian Heritage Awards were held in November at the Art Gallery of Western Australia. The winners of the 2021 awards shone a spotlight on the exciting heritage work being undertaken in regional Western Australia, and the contribution heritage plays within the tourism sector. The coveted Gerry Gauntlet Award was accepted by Nigel Oakey of Dome Coffees for the restoration of the Farmers Home Hotel in Northam, a project that demonstrates how adaptive reuse and interpretation provide a unique tourism experience.

The Heritage Council continues to support private owners of State Registered places through our grants program. The 2021-22 funding round resulted in 38 successful applications sharing \$1.33 million in grant funding to undertake vital conservation works of heritage places or deliver community projects that share stories of our past.

The 2021-22 Local Government Heritage Consultancy Grants offered 20 local governments funding to engage specialist heritage consultants to support the delivery of local heritage services. The funding will help local governments to work with heritage specialists to identify and record heritage places and develop the appropriate frameworks to protect these places for their communities, now, and into the future. Our work would not be possible without the support of the dedicated staff at the Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage and I thank them all for their hard work and commitment. I would like to pay tribute to Penny O'Connor and Harriet Wyatt for their many years of exceptional service to the Council.

It was unfortunate that this year's Heritage Conference could not be held in York but delegates from across Australia enjoyed an informative and engaging online event. Around 240 participants explored a program that focused on the challenges natural hazards can pose to Western Australia's heritage sites with an emphasis on preparing our heritage places and buildings for natural hazards.

I was pleased to report to the Heritage Chairs and Officials of Australia and New Zealand meeting that Western Australia had progressed with 'Dhawura Ngilan: A vision for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander heritage in Australia' through greater engagement with Aboriginal groups on assessment documentation, dual naming, the proposed sites of truth-telling project and heritage awards and grants.

The Heritage Council was delighted to see Fremantle Prison recognised in the nation's top tourism awards and awarded gold in the Cultural Tourism category.

Once again, I pay tribute to the hard work of my fellow Board members and the dedicated staff at the Department who have made possible the significant achievements of the year.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'John Cowdell'.

Hon John Cowdell AM
Chair
Heritage Council of Western Australia



Perth Town Hall. Image supplied by City of Perth.

The Heritage Council of Western Australia

The Heritage Council is the State Government's advisory and statutory body on heritage matters, established under the *Heritage Act 2018*. It is listed as a statutory authority on Schedule 1 of the *Financial Management Act 2006* and is subject to provisions of the *Public Sector Management Act 1994*. The Heritage Council comprises nine members, including the Chair.

The Heritage Council is vested with functions and powers under the *Heritage Act 2018*. Its primary roles are to:

- recommend places to the Minister for Heritage for entry in the State Register of Heritage Places
- review and provide advice on development of heritage places to ensure cultural heritage significance is maintained while allowing for contemporary use and adaptation
- promote the conservation of Western Australia's heritage
- set strategic direction for the Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage.

The [Heritage Council's Strategic Plan 2019-2023](#) can be viewed online.

More information on the members of the Heritage Council can be found in the Appendix at the end of this document (*Appendix A: Members of the Heritage Council of Western Australia*).



Exterior of Former Fremantle Courthouse and Police Station Complex.

The Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage

The Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage supports the Heritage Council and the Minister for Heritage to identify, celebrate and promote the conservation and sensitive development of cultural heritage places in the State.

The Department has delegated responsibility for carrying out the Heritage Council's day-to-day operations, including:

- advising State and local government on heritage related matters and providing assistance to manage local heritage places
- facilitating the identification and assessment of places of cultural heritage significance
- revitalising vacant and under-utilised State or local government-owned heritage properties through the Heritage Works program
- promoting best-practice conservation and enhancing the community's understanding and appreciation of heritage places
- conserving, interpreting and presenting the World Heritage-listed Fremantle Prison as a landmark compatible-use property.

Both the [Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage Strategic Plan 2019-2024](#) and the [Heritage and Property Services Strategic Business Plan 2021-24](#) can be viewed online.



Image courtesy of Fremantle Prison YHA. Photographer Jessica Wyld.

A YEAR AT A GLANCE

STATE REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES

- Six new heritage places added to the State Register, including the Don Aitken Centre in East Perth, Cooinda House in Mount Lawley and Bob Hawke's former family home in West Leederville.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

- The Department has continued to work proactively with local government, property owners and developers to achieve positive heritage outcomes.
- Through the Heritage Grants Program, 38 grants were awarded, worth more than \$1.3 million, for conservation and community projects that celebrate State Registered Heritage Places.
- Continued delivery of the Local Government Heritage Consultancy Grant Program providing more than \$317,000 to support projects associated with the identification of local heritage places.
- Providing support and advice to those impacted by Severe Tropical Cyclone Seroja.

STRATEGIC

- Completion of critical conservation works at the State Registered Parry Street Precinct. The works have enabled the properties to be prepared for occupation as social housing.
- The Department finalised a second phase of consultation on the Heritage Amendment Regulations 2022 designed to accompany the *Heritage Act 2018*.
- The Department is leading the delivery of 10 projects funded under the \$5.5 billion WA Recovery Plan following the impacts of COVID-19.
- Funding of \$1.6 million through the WA Recovery Plan was allocated for conservation works at Fremantle Prison.

PROMOTION

- Promotion, production and distribution of a new style of heritage plaques that marked a significant upgrade to the Heritage Plaques Program.
- Extensive promotion of the 2021 WA Heritage Award winning projects with a focus on social media and creating digital content.
- 1,437 Twitter followers @StateHeritage.
- Nearly 5,000 subscribers to Heritage Matters Enewsletter.
- Hosted the inaugural digital Heritage Conference '**Be Prepared – act now to protect our past**'. This online event involved more than 240 participants from across Australia with a passion for protecting heritage and learning how to prepare for natural disasters.

Heritage Grants Program

The Heritage Grants Program offers funding assistance for the conservation, future planning and promotion of heritage places.

There are two primary funding streams under the program, State Heritage Grants and Community Heritage Grants.

2021-22 Heritage Grants Recipients

Heritage site owners throughout Western Australia have benefited from a share of more than \$1.33 million in State Government funding to undertake vital conservation works of heritage places and deliver community projects that share stories of our past.

Through the State Heritage Grants stream, part of the Heritage Grants Program, 32 heritage owners have received funding to undertake conservation and heritage planning works.

Now in its second year, the Community Heritage Grants stream awarded six projects up to \$20,000 to deliver community engagement and heritage interpretation projects to share the stories of the places listed on the State Heritage Register.

[Read about the projects that received funding in the 2021-22 Heritage Grants funding stream.](#)

2021-22 Local Government Heritage Consultancy Grants

The 2021-22 Local Government Heritage Consultancy Grants offered 20 local governments with funding of up to \$20,000 each so they can engage specialist heritage consultants to support the delivery of local heritage services.

The funding will help local governments to review and develop local heritage surveys (LHS), heritage lists, investigate potential heritage areas, and create heritage-related local planning policies, strategies and guiding documents.

Under the *Heritage Act 2018*, local governments are required to have an LHS, previously known as a Municipal Inventory. The Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015 require local governments to establish and maintain a heritage list to identify places that are of cultural heritage significance and worthy of built heritage conservation in their locality.

The grants provide local governments with practical, immediate support to undertake critical work on their local heritage frameworks over the next 12 to 18 months.

[Read about the local governments that received funding through the Local Government Heritage Consultancy Grants program.](#)

Cyclone Seroja Recovery Grant Program

A 12-month extension for the Cyclone Seroja recovery grant program has been put into effect this financial period. This means that applicants now have until 30 June 2023 to apply for a grant and until 30 June 2024 to complete works.

It is hoped that this change to the Recovery and Resilience Grants process will reduce the burden on applicants.

The Department has been providing heritage and planning advice to property owners following the devastation of Tropical Cyclone Seroja, which impacted approximately 1,200 heritage places, of which 70 are in the State Register of Heritage Places.

The Department worked collaboratively to provide support through a Heritage Asset Grants program. Reimbursement grants of up to \$20,000 are available to private organisations, individuals and local governments who own or operate heritage assets within the activated local government areas to assist with the costs of clean-up and restoration of eligible heritage assets damaged as a result of Cyclone Seroja.

In 2021-22, the Department participated in three tours to the regions to support applicants and encourage property owners to access grant funding.

Western Australian Heritage Awards

The Western Australian Heritage Awards are the Heritage Council's major annual event to raise awareness and promote knowledge of WA's cultural heritage.

The awards program was established in 1992 to acknowledge the outstanding contribution of individuals and organisations to heritage in Western Australia, and to showcase outstanding examples of conservation, adaptive reuse, interpretation and heritage tourism projects.

The Awards promote heritage success stories through the media and corporate publications and engage with heritage owners and other stakeholders such as heritage professionals, local governments, heritage tourism operators, and community groups.

The 2021 WA Heritage Awards, now in their 29th year, were presented by the Minister for Heritage at a ceremony at the Art Gallery of Western Australia, with guests networking afterwards on the new rooftop space.

The coveted Gerry Gauntlet Award went to the Farmers Home Hotel in Northam for its multi-million-dollar restoration, showcasing adaptive reuse and layering old and new, in the hotel's design and interpretation to provide a unique tourism experience.

The Judges' Award recognised structural and heritage engineer, Ian Maitland OAM, who throughout his 54-year career, and into retirement, has worked tirelessly to promote and advocate for heritage, in particular engineering heritage.

2021 WA Heritage Awards Results

Voluntary Individual Contribution

Winner:

Owen Briffa, Volunteer Curator, Lost Mundaring & Surroundings Local History Museum

Commendation:

Maureen Lissiman, Volunteer, Holy Trinity Church, Roebourne

Marion Gathercole, Volunteer, See Subiaco and City of Subiaco

Professional Contribution

Winner:

Ian Maitland OAM, Retired Civil, Structural and Heritage Engineer

Contribution by a Community-based Organisation

Winner:

Heritage Skills Association WA Inc.

Commendation:

Littlewell Working Group

Friends of ANZAC Cottage Inc.

Contribution by a Public or Private Organisation

Winner:

City of Rockingham

Interpretation Project

Winner:

Missions Connect

Commendation:

Wadjemup Museum

Esperance Tanker Jetty replacement and interpretation



Photo supplied by Dion Robeson. Gimlet at Warders Hotel.

Heritage Tourism Product

Winner:

Ngarjarli Art Viewing Trail, Murujuga National Park

Commendation:

Farmers Home Hotel, Northam

Conservation or Adaptive Reuse of a State Registered Place

Winner:

Farmers Home Hotel, Northam

York Residency Museum

Commendation:

Warders Hotel and Emily Taylor, Fremantle

Old Onslow Townsite

The Gerry Gauntlett Award

Winner:

Farmers Home Hotel, Northam

The Judges' Award: The Professor David Dolan Award

Winner:

Ian Maitland OAM, Civil, Retired Structural and Heritage Engineer

Farmers Hotel, Northam Case Study

For over 150-years, the Farmers Home Hotel has been at the heart of the Northam community and a place of welcome and comfort for everyone from pioneers to premiers. This rich heritage served as inspiration throughout the hotel's multi-million-dollar restoration and conservation, which resurrected the Northam landmark on the same principles as which it was founded, to reopen as a modern boutique hotel, wine bar and Dome Café.

This layering of old and new is celebrated in the hotel's design and interpretation. Contemporary design, both cutting-edge and understated, provides a new level of amenity and sophistication while ensuring the building's federation grandeur and heritage features take centre stage to reveal the hotel's remarkable story.

The Farmers Home Hotel was awarded the prestigious Gerry Gauntlett Award which recognises excellence in conservation or adaptation of a place.

Owner and Director: Dôme Café Group

Architecture: spaceagency

Builder: Masterbuilt Constructions



State Register of Heritage Places

The State Register of Heritage Places is a statutory list of places that represent the story of Western Australia's history and development. Entry in the State Register recognises the value and importance of a place and helps promote its preservation into the future.

Entry in the Register is reserved for places of State cultural heritage significance and is the highest recognition afforded at the State level. Heritage places are entered in the State Register after an assessment and registration process which includes extensive consultation with owners, local governments and other stakeholders.

Entries in the State Register of Heritage Places this year (below) continue to recognise and protect the State's significant heritage places, and include the Don Aitken Centre, East Perth, Cooina, Mount Lawley, Little Wilgie, Cue, and Bob Hawke's House, West Leederville. Other places such as Goldfields Water Supply Scheme, Peel Town Archaeological Sites, De Grey – Mullewa Stock Route No. 9701, City Beach and Floreat Beach Precinct, and North West Stock Route have progressed to public consultation.

Place Number	Place Name
Place No. 26464	Bob Hawke's House (fmr), 101 Tate St, West Leederville
Place No. 26460	AA Dam No 190 James, Lake Grace
Place No. 9818	Cooinda House, Mount Lawley (Cooinda Education an Employment Hostel, Cooinda Hostel for Aboriginal Girls)
Place No. 3410	Chapman River Road Bridge (Bridge No 797)
Place No. 25362	Little Wilgie Ochre Mine, Cue (Kyarra Reserve, Little Wilgie Aboriginal Ochre Site)
Place No. 26494	Main Roads Building (Don Aitken Centre), East Perth

Bob Hawke's House (fmr) Case Study

The childhood home of former Australian Prime Minister Bob Hawke has been included in the Western Australian State Register of Heritage Places. The 1920s red brick and tile house on Tate Street in West Leederville was home to Mr Hawke for 14-years, from the age of 10 until he left home as a young adult in his early 20s.

Records show the house was built in 1929 and had only three owners before the State Government purchased the three-bedroom residence last year to acknowledge its associations with Labor's longest serving Prime Minister.

The house is largely unchanged with many of its original internal features remaining intact, including Australiana themed stained-glass windows, timber joinery, rear sleepout, outhouse and outside laundry.

Bob Hawke lived in the house with his parents during his formative years, while attending Perth Modern School and the University of Western Australia. This unremarkable suburban house, belonging to a lower middle-class family, was home to one of the most powerful political leaders in Australia.

The house is a rare residence and is one of only two registered places closely associated with an Australian Prime Minister, with strong links to Western Australia, reflecting an important chapter in State and National social and political history.

Inclusion of Bob Hawke's former home in the State Register of Heritage Places means the place will be preserved for future generations to appreciate.



Stained glass window at Bob Hawke's family home, 101 Tate Street, West Leederville.

Stakeholder Engagement

Sponsorship Program

The Heritage Council's Sponsorship Program aims to deliver partnerships that will support heritage in Western Australia.

Sponsored activities must meet one or more of the following outcomes:

- demonstrate sustainability and economic benefits of heritage conservation and adaptation
- deliver or contribute to training and education in heritage conservation management
- develop understanding of the importance of heritage and its conservation
- contribute to brand awareness for a nominated Heritage Council or a Department brand within relevant market sectors
- promote community understanding of, and engagement with, the State's heritage places
- promote and encourage heritage tourism
- make another demonstrated contribution to the Heritage Council and Department's strategic objectives.

Activities will generally be open to the general public or to a broad group within a relevant profession or interest area. Content should include positive messages or information about heritage or a closely related area.

2021-22 Sponsorship Program Recipients

Applicant	Funds Received
Australian Institute of Architects	\$13,200.00
Tourism Council of WA	\$9,900.00
Friends of Anzac Cottage	\$2,040.00
Total	\$25,140.00

One of the activities the Heritage Council supported during this period was the ANZAC Day event at ANZAC Cottage. This commemorative family event was attended by 200 participants, with a focus on young families and seniors.

While ANZAC Day at ANZAC Cottage is always an emotional occasion, 2022 was even more special given that the event had been cancelled due to COVID-19 the previous two-years. The Friends of ANZAC Cottage approach this day with strong reference to the cottage's community origins and the Sunset Service is based on these values and traditions. The Heritage Council's support enabled the Friends to host activities aimed at attracting a younger audience, such as a free poppy making workshop.



Digital Heritage Conference 'Be prepared – act now to protect our past'

Western Australia experiences many natural hazards which include bushfire, flood, cyclone, severe storms, and earthquakes, all of which pose a serious risk to our cultural and built heritage.

Experience shows that the impact of a natural hazard, such as an earthquake or cyclone, on heritage buildings can devastate a town's economy and social fabric. It is important that government agencies and the local community come together to find ways to make these buildings more resilient to natural hazards.

This two-day digital conference, held on the 19 and 20 May 2022, provided an opportunity to explore strategies to help make heritage places more resilient in the face of disaster. A more resilient structure not only results in less damage, it also helps to speed up the recovery process.

Delegates at the 2022 Heritage Conference '**Be prepared – act now to protect our past**' enjoyed an informative and engaging online event.

Around 240 participants explored a program that focused on the challenges natural hazards can pose to Western Australia's heritage sites with an emphasis on preparing our heritage places and buildings for natural hazards. This digital event attracted an audience from across Australia who share a passion for protecting heritage places.

The program covered topics such as climate change and heritage, how to prepare heritage places for the impacts of climate change, mitigating earthquake risk in Western Australia, the heritage town of York and lessons from Tropical Cyclone Seroja.

Holding the event online allowed the Department and the Heritage Council of WA to attract a larger audience, with almost double the number of delegates registering, when compared to last year's Heritage Conference in Busselton. The event still provided attendees with an opportunity to connect and network, albeit virtually, during breaks.



Photo supplied by Ross Tinney. York streetscape.

Natural hazards such as bushfires, cyclones, flooding, earthquakes and tsunamis have the potential to have an impact on cultural heritage places across WA and the conference provided an opportunity for private owners of heritage places, those working across State and local government, heritage professionals, academics and students, local museums and historical societies, and heritage tourism operators to come together to look at ways to prepare for and manage these events when they occur.

It is not possible to prevent or predict the occurrence of all natural hazards, however, a thorough understanding of the risk posed by a hazard and the likelihood of occurrence are vital in informing a strategy for disaster management and response. It is work that needs to be prioritised as our heritage places and buildings are so important to our community fabric, our feeling of connectedness and sense of place, and once lost they cannot be replaced.

[Watch the presentations from the 2022 Heritage Conference.](#)

Heritage Plaques Program

Heritage plaques play a pivotal role in telling the stories surrounding State Registered places, promoting heritage tourism and encouraging community engagement with our heritage places.

In 2021, the Heritage Council endorsed an updated plaque design that features the registered name of the place and date of construction. The strategic intent of the plaques program is commemoration and celebration of the State Register of Heritage Places and raising brand recognition of the State Register, rather than interpretation.

The colour of the refreshed plaque is bronze, reflecting earlier designs by the Heritage Council for continuity of branding.

The budget has been increased to allow for this new design and to enable the Department to reprint and replace any old or tarnished plaques from previous plaque rounds.

The list of places recommended to receive a plaque through the 2021 Plaques Program has been compiled to ensure that both metropolitan and regional places are represented; the places are in high traffic or frequently visited areas; chosen to represent the variety of places in the State Register; as a means to improve strategic relationships with stakeholders; and promote the WA Heritage Awards. It includes several places whose owners requested a plaque. Places to receive a plaque in the 2021-22 fiscal period include:

- Wadjemup Museum
- Warders Hotel and Emily Taylor (Warders' Cottages)
- ArtGeo Courthouse Building
- Beatty Park
- Residency Museum, Albany
- His Majesty's Theatre

In 2022, the Minister for Heritage's office and the Department identified the possibility for further stakeholder engagement with community members and organisations in relation to the Heritage Plaques Program through events. The Department worked closely with the Minister's office to try to encourage small handover events or meet and greets. These were organised by the relevant Local Member of Parliament and the plaque recipient.

More information

[Heritage Council on the Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage website](#)

[The Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage Annual Report 2021-22](#)

Accessing information on State Registered places

Information on new inclusions in the State Register can be found through [inHerit](#), the online database of heritage places on the State Heritage website. This information includes the significance and history of the place; other heritage listings; curtilage area; spatial mapping and street view; and images. The inHerit database can be searched by using the place number or name of the place.

The Heritage Council on Twitter

<https://twitter.com/StateHeritage>

Heritage Matters eNewsletter

To stay up-to-date with the Heritage Council and the Department's activities, sign up for the [Heritage Matters eNewsletter here](#).

Appendix A: Members of the Heritage Council of Western Australia



Hon John Cowdell AM
Chair

Hon John Cowdell AM was appointed Chairperson of the Heritage Council of Western Australia in January 2020. A former President of the Legislative Council of Western Australia, John had a long and successful career in State Parliament and formerly served as both President and Vice President of the National Trust of WA, and Director and Deputy Chairperson of the Australian Council of National Trusts.

He is a long-term ambassador of heritage conservation and an advocate for the importance of heritage to the Western Australian community, as well as having substantial experience in providing leadership of high-level government bodies.

Mr Cowdell was appointed a Member of the Order of Australia in 2010 for services to the Parliament of Western Australia, to regional development, and to the community, particularly through contributions to history and heritage.



Leigh Barrett
Councillor

Leigh Barrett is a creative and strategic heritage practitioner across the public and private sectors of Western Australia. Leigh is the former Executive Director at Heritage Perth, a not-for-profit organisation which actively supports the conservation and interpretation of the City of Perth's heritage, encouraging a culture that values and celebrates it.

The Principal of her own consultancy – Leigh Barrett, Heritage Advisory Services – Leigh works with a variety of clients to provide a fresh approach to the industry. Having previously worked for the National Trust of Western Australia, Leigh currently works for local government.

She has built an extensive network of contacts through her career in heritage and is experienced at all levels of advisory services. Leigh enjoys travelling the country delivering presentations, speaking and hosting workshops on heritage projects.



Lloyd Clark
Councillor

Lloyd Clark is the Founder and Managing Director of Match group of companies. Match has undertaken a number of redevelopments of heritage properties including the WD & HO Wills Building known as the ‘Home’ warehouse apartments, which won the 2009 National Property Council of Australia Award for adaptive reuse.

Match undertook the redevelopment and adaptive reuse of the historic Dalgety Wool Stores building in Fremantle known as ‘Heirloom’. Completed in early 2017, this redevelopment saw this famous landmark building converted into 183 ‘warehouse’ residential apartments.

The innovative and sensitive adaptation of the city block-sized former wool stores won two of the 2017 Heritage Awards, including the prestigious Gerry Gauntlett Award that recognises outstanding conservation or adaptation of a State Registered place. Lloyd’s strong business acumen, property development expertise and practical ‘hands on’ experience with large scale adaptive reuse and heritage renewal projects stands him in good stead as Councillor.



Alan Kelsall
Councillor

Architect and former Heritage Coordinator for the City of Fremantle, Alan Kelsall brings a wealth of experience to the Council from his extensive portfolio of conservation planning and building projects, including undertaking more than 50 heritage assessments.

While at the City of Fremantle, Alan oversaw the conservation works undertaken on Fremantle Town Hall. The award-winning conservation of the Town Hall is the largest conservation project the city has ever undertaken. Under Alan's direction, a large team of skilled stonemasons, plasterers, lead workers and slate roofers with specialist traditional skills transformed the exterior of the town hall building using traditional building methods. Alan played a crucial role in developing the whole-of-agency approach the City now adopts towards promoting Fremantle's heritage, and in integrating awareness of the benefits of positive heritage outcomes with the planning and development processes.

Prior to joining City of Fremantle, Alan was Co-Principal of Kelsall Binet Architects, a small two-partner practice, he formed with Gena Binet in 1998. Kelsall Binet worked for a range of clients, including the former Governor's Residence on Rottnest Island/Wadjemup and Saint Patrick's Basilica Fremantle. Prior to establishing Kelsall Binet, Alan worked for architectural practices in London and Perth for 22-years, specialising in conservation and heritage work.



Catherine Lezer
Councillor

Catherine Lezer brings valuable expertise and insights from her roles as President of the Strata Community Association Inc WA and as a City of Perth Councillor to the Heritage Council. After various finance positions and property directorships, Catherine developed a passion for adding value to apartments and apartment buildings. Adding value to Catherine is more than just renovating. Efficiency, asset management, facility management, sustainability and community are as important to Catherine as aesthetic appeal.

Catherine Lezer has experience in managing strata properties, and in her role has undertaken significant projects including lift replacements, solar installations and defects remediation.

Ms Lezer holds a Bachelor of Business, Master of Business Administration and qualifications with the Australian Institute of Company Directors.



Sally Malone
Councillor

Sally Malone Design is a sole practitioner design office focused on working with clients to achieve well-managed projects and innovative design solutions. Sally has worked in local government and the private sector in a number of roles ranging from managing large scale public place construction projects for the City of Perth, to implementing designs for small civic gardens. Her work has been equally divided between urban centres and country and remote rural areas.

Sally has a deep understanding of the potential that well-designed public spaces bring to community liveability, economic resilience and environmental amenity. She was awarded a Churchill Fellowship to research the benefits that the creative economy can generate for towns, and continues to explore ways to 'value-add' to design concepts she creates for clients.



Jennifer Marschner
Councillor

Jennifer Marschner is an architect with over 20-years' experience. She has a passion for the layers and complexities of the built environment and has been involved in the adaptive reuse of some of WA's most recognisable State Registered places including the 'The Maltings' residential development in Palmerston Street, the adaptation of the former Government Printer's Office into the Curtin Graduate School of Business and the conversion of the Former Elders Woolstores in Fremantle.

Prior to going into sole practice, Jennifer was an Associate Director and then Design Consultant at DesignInc, a tutor in design at the University of Western Australia's Faculty of Architecture and Fine Arts, and worked as an Architect at The Buchan Group and with Gerald McCann Architect.

Jennifer has a particular interest in the process of identifying those places which are considered to have cultural significance to our State and ensuring their significance is retained within their fabric as a tangible record of Western Australia's history.



Nerida Moredoundt
Councillor

Nerida Moredoundt is the Principal Heritage Architect with element WA. She brings a depth of experience in heritage planning to the important advisory role the Heritage Council plays in the identification and management of heritage places in Western Australia.

Nerida has built an enviable reputation for delivering iconic and innovative solutions for some of the State's most valued heritage places and has pioneered application of the World Heritage Cultural Landscapes framework to Rottnest Island/Wadjemup and played an instrumental role to secure World Heritage Listing for the Australian Convict Sites.

With an unrivalled track record working on complex urban revitalisations and adaptive reuse projects, she is a trusted advisor across the full statutory heritage spectrum, with particular expertise in heritage assessments and analysing development proposals. She has a particular interest in working with owners, government agencies and community organisations to find practical outcomes that enhance our appreciation of heritage places.



Richard Offen
Councillor

Richard Offen retired in 2017 after 13-years as Executive Director of Heritage Perth. During that time, he was able to immerse himself in the history of Perth and Western Australia. In retirement, he writes, takes walking tours of Perth's historic sites and is a popular lecturer on the subject. Richard also remains a regular broadcaster on both radio and television.

Richard was the co-author of the National Trust book *The Living Coast* and penned the captions for a book of aerial photographs of the British coast entitled *Coastline UK*. In late 2016, Richard released the book *Perth: Then and Now*. Using historic photos of Perth and specially commissioned current photographs taken from as near the same angle as possible, the book illustrates the growth and change to Perth over the last 150-years.



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