



REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES

Permanent Entry

1. DATA BASE No. 1877
2. NAME *Northam Town Hall* (1898)
3. LOCATION Wellington Street, Northam
4. DESCRIPTION OF PLACE INCLUDED IN THIS ENTRY
Northam Town Lot 86 being the whole of the land comprised in Certificate of Title Volume 85 Folio 176.
5. LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA Town of Northam
6. OWNER Town of Northam
7. HERITAGE LISTINGS
 - Register of Heritage Places: Interim Entry 08/09/1995
 - Permanent Entry 09/02/1996
 - National Trust Classification: 08/04/1980
 - Town of Northam Town Planning Scheme: 25/03/1992
Clause 5.9, Schedule 7.
 - Register of National Estate: 28/09/1982
8. CONSERVATION ORDER
9. HERITAGE AGREEMENT
10. STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Northam Town Hall, a brick structure including two-storey main hall and single-storey lesser hall, with rendered pilasters and pediments and corrugated iron roofs, has cultural heritage significance for the following reasons:

the place is valued by the community for its association with the past growth and development of Northam;

the place contributes to the Northam community's sense of place and possesses social value as the former centre of local government, and as a venue for community functions, meetings and social gatherings;

the place is a fine example of Federation Free Classical architecture, demonstrating a high quality of architectural detailing and craftsmanship;

the place is a landmark in Northam and contributes to the streetscape of Wellington Street;

the place demonstrates Northam's prosperity, and the confidence of the town's civic leaders, in the 1890s;

the place has a close association with Sir John Forrest (a former Premier), Charles Knight, George Throssell, James Byfield (prominent local councillors), and Henry Prockter (a prominent Perth architect);

the place is representative of late nineteenth century public buildings; the formal quality of its design and details being characteristic of its building type; and,

the place has scientific value for the potential of its design, fabric and contents to contribute to the understanding of similar building types.