



REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES - ASSESSMENT DOCUMENTATION

11. ASSESSMENT OF CULTURAL HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE

The criteria adopted by the Heritage Council in September, 1991 have been used to determine the cultural heritage significance of the place.

11.1 AESTHETIC VALUE

St. Andrew's Church contributes to the aesthetic character of the streetscape in this section of St. Georges Terrace in that its Federation Gothic style of architecture, and use of red brickwork and sandstone detailing compliments the style of *St. George's Cathedral* and *Burt Hall*. (Criterion 1.3)

11.2. HISTORIC VALUE

The site upon which *St. Andrew's Church* stands is of some historical significance as it was previously occupied by the cottage of Dr. Collie, the Colonial Surgeon in 1832, which was demolished to construct the church. (Criterion 2.3)

The monument to Rev. David Shearer, relocated from the East Perth Cemetery forty-six years after his death, is of some historic and associational significance recalling the founder of Presbyterianism in Western Australia. This significance is not related to the location or the structure of *St. Andrew's Church* but does influence its significance as a place of historical memorial. (Criterion 2.3)

St. Andrew's Church has a close association with James Hine, the architect, who undertook a number of ecclesiastical commissions in Western Australia. (Criterion 2.3)

11.3. SCIENTIFIC VALUE

11.4. SOCIAL VALUE

St. Andrew's Church is historically important as one of the principal places of worship of the Presbyterians in Perth. It was the focus of Presbyterian activity in Perth for much of the twentieth century. (Criterion 4.1)

12. DEGREE OF SIGNIFICANCE

12. 1. RARITY

12. 2 REPRESENTATIVENESS

St. Andrew's Church is representative of the style of church building designed by Hine between 1905 and 1907. The design for *St. Andrew's Church* is very much within the pattern book oeuvre of his practice and is very typical of many Presbyterian and Methodist churches of the day. (Criterion 6.1)

12. 3 CONDITION

St. Andrew's Church is physically and functionally in good condition. The fabric has been maintained in a sound operational condition and fulfils the function for which it was originally intended. The aesthetic value of the place is diminished by extensive cracking on the internal and external wall surfaces and degradation of the external stonework and tower brickwork. For further details see discussion of the place in the Conservation Plan of the Central Government Precinct by Hocking Lovell and Associates : 'Central Government Precinct, Perth. Conservation Plan. Vols. 1 & 2. (prepared for the Premier's Capital City Committee and Heritage Council of Western Australia, March 1995).

12. 4 INTEGRITY

St. Andrew's Church continues to be used a place of worship. *St. Andrew's Church* has a high degree of integrity.

12. 5 AUTHENTICITY

The exterior of *St. Andrew's Church* is intact with only minor alterations having been made to link the church with McNess Hall. The principal change to the interior is the relocation of the organ and associated works. The plywood screen diminishes the aesthetic value of the interior. *St. Andrew's Church* has a high degree of authenticity.

13. SUPPORTING EVIDENCE

13.1 DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE

For a detailed discussion of the documentary evidence, refer to the discussion of the place in the Conservation Plan of the Central Government Precinct by Hocking Lovell and Associates : 'Central Government Precinct, Perth. Conservation Plan. Vols. 1 & 2. (prepared for the Premier's Capital City Committee and Heritage Council of Western Australia, March 1995). Vol 1. pp. 174-182.

13.2 PHYSICAL EVIDENCE

For a detailed discussion of the physical evidence, refer to the discussion of the place in the Conservation Plan of the Central Government Precinct by Hocking Lovell and Associates : 'Central Government Precinct, Perth. Conservation Plan. Vols. 1 & 2. (prepared for the Premier's Capital City Committee and Heritage Council of Western Australia, March 1995).

13.3 REFERENCES

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