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# REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES

## Permanent Entry

1. **DATA BASE No.** 00355
2. **NAME** *The Residency, Bunbury* (1896; 1960s; c. 1979/1980; c. 1990)
3. **LOCATION** Cnr Stirling & Moore Streets, Bunbury
4. **DESCRIPTION OF PLACE INCLUDED IN THIS ENTRY**  
Wellington Location 4406, being the whole of the land comprised in Certificate of Title Volume 1472 Folio 180.
5. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA** City of Bunbury
6. **OWNER** Minister for Works
7. **HERITAGE LISTINGS**
  - Register of Heritage Places: Interim Entry 19/05/1992  
Permanent Entry 14/12/2001
  - National Trust Classification: Classified 17/10/1980
  - Town Planning Scheme: -----
  - Municipal Inventory: Adopted 31/07/1996
  - Register of the National Estate: Permanent 21/10/1980

8. **CONSERVATION ORDER**  
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9. **HERITAGE AGREEMENT**  
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10. **STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**

*The Residency, Bunbury*, a single storey brick and iron building in the 'Victorian' Regency style, has cultural heritage significance for the following reasons:

situated within a large open landscaped area that contains two large plane trees, the place is a competently designed and built example of a substantial house in the Victorian Regency style and contributes to the aesthetic and precinctual qualities of Stirling Street;

as a substantial residence constructed in the 1890s in the Victorian Regency style and situated in a landscaped setting, the place is a rare and prominent house type in the Stirling Street precinct;

the place was the official residence of the Resident Magistrate from 1896 to the early 1960s and has associations with the various Resident Magistrates who served the district during this time, including W. H. Timperley (Resident Magistrate 1890 - 1905) for whom the place was

built in 1896, and William Lambden Owen (Resident Magistrate 1905 - c. 1920);

the place is associated with development of Bunbury and the Wellington district at the end of the nineteenth century, which resulted in the consolidation of Bunbury as the principal port and the minor capital of the southwest region; and,

the place is valued by the local and wider community for its contribution to the built environment of Bunbury, and as a result contributes to this community's sense of place. This is evidenced by its inclusion in all relevant heritage listings, the preservation works carried out in c. 1979/1980 and c. 1990, and its retention in public ownership.

The freestanding laundry and bathroom block is assessed as being of little significance.