



**HERITAGE
COUNCIL**
OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES

Permanent Entry

1. **DATA BASE No.** 11696

2. **NAME** *Wellsteads' Homestead Group* (John's Cottage, 1850, rebuilt 2004; main homestead, c.1858-59, 1860s, 1970; sheep pens (later Girls' Room), c.1850s, 1860s, and addition, c.1984; shops, 1850s, c.1884; Boys' Room, c.1870s; shearing shed, 1870s, 1915; wool barn, 1878; 'Mount Joy', 1884)

OTHER NAMES Wellstead's Station; Peppermint Grove and Mount Joy

3. **LOCATION** Wellstead Road, Point Henry Peninsula, Bremer Bay

4. **DESCRIPTION OF PLACE INCLUDED IN THIS ENTRY**
 1. Lot 1 on Deposited Plan 27789 being the whole of the land contained in Certificate of Title Volume 2215 Folio 743
 2. Portion of Lot 9011 on Deposited Plan 47524 being part of the land contained in Certificate of Title Volume 2661 Folio 76 and portion of Kent Location 7 contained in Country Enrolment 2898
 3. That portion of Lot 500 on Deposited Plan 56910 labeled 'H' being part of Wellstead Road and part of the land contained in Crown Land Title Volume 3151 Folio 138, portion of Lot 2193 on Deposited Plan 190860 being part of Wellstead Road and part of the land contained in Crown Land Title Volume 3125 Folio 816 and Lot 2194 on Deposited Plan 190860 being part of Wellstead Road and the whole of the land contained in Crown Land Title Volume 3125 Folio 817

together as shown on Heritage Council of Western Australia Survey Drawing No. 11696 prepared by McMullen Nolan

5. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA** Shire of Jerramungup

6. **OWNER**
 1. John Walton Wellstead
 2. William Max Wellstead
 3. State of Western Australia
(Responsible Agency Shire of Jerramungup)

7. **HERITAGE LISTINGS**
 - Register of Heritage Places: Interim Entry 18/12/2007
Permanent Entry 17/10/2008
 - National Trust Classification: -----
 - Town Planning Scheme: -----

- Municipal Inventory: Adopted 17/07/1997
- Register of the National Estate: -----

8. CONSERVATION ORDER

9. HERITAGE AGREEMENT

10. STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Wellsteads' Homestead Group, comprising John's Cottage, Main Homestead House, sheep pens, Girls' Room, workshops, Boys' Room, Shearing Shed, Wool Barn, and 'Mount Joy' Homestead House, has cultural heritage significance for the following reasons:

the place is a rare, early, and intact example of an isolated farm homestead group, in which most buildings are constructed in granite construction, and retains an unusually large number of original artefacts associated with the development of the place;

the place is a picturesque complex of homogenous granite Victorian Georgian design buildings sited in an imposing position on a rise and along the end of a grassy valley;

the place was the first farm complex established by European settlers at Bremer Bay, one of the earliest in the south-east region, and has been a central and integral part of the area's development since the mid-19th century;

the place demonstrates, to a high degree, the exceptionally self-reliant and resourceful lifestyle of an early pioneering family in Western Australia and in particular the diligence and acumen brought to the development of the place by its founders, John Wellstead and his family to the present;

the place was established by John Wellstead, and has remained in his family through successive generations to today; and,

the place has associations for members of the Nyoongar community whose ancestors worked at the place, particularly the McGlade family.

The Museum building, which is the relocated Goods Shed from Wagin, the new sheds to the north and north-east of the barn, the new sheds behind the peppermint grove to the west of the valley floor, the shed and garage on the site of the dairy and the shed to the rear of 'Mount Joy' are considered to have little significance at the present (2006-07) period.