



**HERITAGE  
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OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

## REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES PERMANENT ENTRY

1. **DATA BASE No.** 11551
2. **NAME** *York & Districts Co-Op & Quarters* (1872, c.1880, c.1888)  
**OTHER NAMES** Edwards General Store; York District Farmers' Co-operative
3. **LOCATION** 138 Avon Terrace, York
4. **DESCRIPTION OF PLACE INCLUDED IN THIS ENTRY**  
Lot 5 on Deposited Plan 223261 being the whole of the land contained in Certificate of Title Volume 2055 Folio 929
5. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA** Shire of York
6. **OWNER** York and Districts Co-operative Ltd
7. **HERITAGE LISTINGS**
  - Register of Heritage Places: Interim 13/01/2009  
Permanent 08/01/2010
  - National Trust Classification: Classified 03/05/1985
  - Town Planning Scheme: York Town Centre Precinct 21/12/1995
  - Municipal Inventory: 31/12/1995
  - Register of the National Estate: -----
8. **CONSERVATION ORDER**  
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9. **HERITAGE AGREEMENT**  
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10. **STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**

*York & Districts Co-Op & Quarters*, a two-storey brick and stucco general store with corrugated iron roof, over a stone-walled basement and including former residential quarters, originally constructed in the Victorian Georgian style (1872 and c.1880) and extended with a Victorian Free Classical style façade (c.1888), has cultural heritage significance for the following reasons:

the place has operated continuously as a general store since its construction in 1872;

from 1956 to the present (2008) the place has been owned and operated by York and Districts Farmers Co-operative which has supported the development of both York and the wider Avon area;

the place makes a strong contribution to the important historic townscape of central York, primarily comprising buildings dating from 1845 to 1911, which is a fine collection of buildings demonstrating the architectural development of the town throughout this period;

the decorative c.1888 façade is a rare example of the Victorian Free Classical style, and the place as a whole is a good example of a Victorian era building demonstrating both the Victorian Georgian and the Victorian Free Classical styles;

the place was constructed in 1872 for William Edwards Jnr, of a notable storekeeping family, and was owned and operated by members of the Edwards family until 1936.

The supermarket extensions to the rear of the building, internal layout changes to facilitate the supermarket, and 1968 changes to the ground floor front façade are of little significance. The supermarket fit-out throughout is of no significance. The front canopy and 20th century verandah infills are intrusive.