

REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES Interim Entry

1. **NUMBER** 0558

2. NAME Original Cemetery

3. DESCRIPTION OF ELEMENTS INCLUDED IN THE ENTRY (GENERAL)

The register entry includes two intact headstones, other stone grave markers, and a memorial, and the land on which they stand being Reserve 6441.

4. LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA Coolgardie

5. LOCATION Forrest St, Coolgardie

Reserve 6441 Lot Coolgardie 1923

6. OWNER

7. STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE OF PLACE (ASSESSMENT IN DETAIL)

PHYSICAL AND DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE

The cemetery is the first burial ground in Coolgardie, containing the graves of the first 32 burials, the most notable of which is the grave of Holland, the renowned discoveror of underwater water sources and a trail blazer in the early days of the district. The cemetery comprises an area of approximately 50m x 50m with two intact headstones, some other small stone grave markers, and a memorial.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The place has been assessed by the National Trust of Australia (WA) and has been entered in the Register held by that body as a classified building with the following statement of significance:

Historical and social associations with the first settlers in the district.

The place has also been assessed by the Australian Heritage Commission and has been entered in the Register of the National Estate with the following statement of significance.

As Coolgardie's first burial ground, the cemetery is significant for its historical link with the early history of the town and important figures in the town's development.

8. REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES (DATE OF GAZETTAL)

Interim Entry 5/5/1992 Permanent Entry 20/8/1993

9. CONSERVATION ORDER

10. HERITAGE AGREEMENT

11. REFERENCES

National Trust Assessment Exposition Register of the National Estate