

REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES Permanent Entry

1. **DATA BASE No.** 3494

2. NAMES Houses (fmr) 257 & 259 Adelaide Terrace (1888, 1938,

1956, 1964, 1966, 1971) & (1886, 1945, 1954, 1962, 1982,

1987, 2001-02)

FORMER NAMES 257 Adelaide Terrace: Sydenham (1888); re-named Kincora (1907)

259 Adelaide Terrace: Lyminge (1886-1936); E. B. Johnston House

(1937)

3. LOCATION 257 & 259 Adelaide Terrace, Perth

4. DESCRIPTION OF PLACE INCLUDED IN THIS ENTRY

- 1. Portion of Lot 30 on Diagram 36380 and being part of the land contained in Certificate of Title Volume 2151 Folio 261, and
- 2. Portion of Lot S5 on Deposited Plan 41439 and being part of the land contained in Certificate of Title Volume 2643 Folio 964

As is defined in Heritage Council of Western Australia Survey Drawing No. 3494 prepared by Steffanoni Ewing & Cruickshank Pty Ltd.

5. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA** City of Perth

6. OWNER

- 1. Richard David Graham as to Lot 30
- 2. H. O. Johnston Estates Pty Ltd as to Lot S5

7. HERITAGE LISTINGS

•	Register of Heritage Places:	Interim entry Permanent Entry	20/03/2006 16/03/2007
•	National Trust Classification:	•	
•	Town Planning Scheme:		20/06/2006
	Municipal Inventory:	Adopted	13/03/2001
	Register of the National Estate:	•	

8. CONSERVATION ORDER

9. HERITAGE AGREEMENT

10. STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Houses (fmr) 257 & 259 Adelaide Terrace, two adjacent substantial two storey detached masonry and iron construction Perth residences dating from the pre Gold Boom era that, although extensively altered, exhibit some characteristics of

the Victorian Italianate style of architecture, have cultural heritage significance for the following reasons:

they provide a visual reminder of the former residential character of this area of the city of Perth in the pre Gold Boom era and demonstrate the standard of building and accommodation to which the city's leading citizens aspired in the 1880s and early to mid-1890s:

257 Adelaide Terrace was associated with the eminent Victorian architectural practice of Terry & Oakden, and built for prominent colonial merchant Ernest Chawner Shenton and, from 1908, was the home of the well known Hayes' family, including Sheila Gwynne (nee Hayes) who became an outstanding horse breeder and judge;

259 Adelaide Terrace (E. B. Johnston House) was built for well known Swan River colonist Stanley Parker, and from 1934 became the home of Senator Edward Bertram Johnston and his wife, Hildelith Olymphe Johnston (later Elliott);

despite extensive alteration, they are examples of finely detailed residences influenced by the Victorian Italianate style, relatively rare in the city of Perth, with 257 Adelaide Terrace relatively intact when viewed from the street and 259 Adelaide Terrace retaining much of its original internal spatial qualities and details;

together the two houses have landmark value and add depth and meaning to Adelaide Terrace as two Victorian houses in juxtaposition with the late twentieth century high rise buildings that now dominate the street;

they are representative examples of Victorian houses that have been altered and adapted to provide for changes of use to residential flats and later commercial use as the city expanded and the needs of society changed over the twentieth century, a pattern of use that is not just typical of this locality but is common in western cities everywhere; and

the individual significance of each of the houses that comprise *Houses (fmr)* 257 & 259 Adelaide Terrace is increased by its proximity to the other.

The boundary fences, plantings, gates, screens, car ports, paving and structures outside the alignment of the original house plans are of little significance.

The staircase addition on the north-western corner of 257 Adelaide Terrace is intrusive