



REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES

Amended Entry

1. **DATA BASE No.** 3374
2. **NAME** *Sunset Hospital* (1904/06 -)
3. **LOCATION** Birdwood Parade, Dalkeith
4. **DESCRIPTION OF PLACE INCLUDED IN THIS ENTRY**
Reserve 1667 being the whole of Lot 303 on Deposited Plan 49483, being the whole of the land in Crown Land Title Volume LR3164, Folio 176.
5. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA** City of Nedlands
6. **OWNER** Department of Treasury and Finance

7. **HERITAGE LISTINGS**

- Register of Heritage Places: Interim Entry 11/03/1997
Permanent Entry 02/09/1997
Amended Entry 30 / 08/ 2014
- National Trust Classification: 05/10/1993
- Town Planning Scheme: -----
- Municipal Inventory: -----
- Register of National Estate: -----

8. **ORDERS UNDER SECTION 38 OR 59 OF THE ACT**

9. **HERITAGE AGREEMENT**

10. **STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**

Sunset Hospital, a complex of Federation Arts and Crafts, Inter-War Arts and Crafts and other style buildings, has cultural heritage significance for the following reasons:

it is one of the largest intact early twentieth century public health facilities in the State and, through its site planning and building design, represents the health care policies and practices of the time and throughout its development and operation;

it is a unique example of the type of government sponsored housing for homeless and vagrant men in the State in the early twentieth century;

the buildings generally display a high degree of homogeneity and, united by the landscaped open spaces, collectively form an historic precinct;

it is a recognised and important landmark which can easily be identified from the river and other areas around Melville Water; and,

its association with prominent architect Hillson Beasley who, as Chief Architect at the Public Works Department, was ultimately responsible for the original site planning and building design.

The zincalume Garage, an asbestos cement Workshop, the Switchroom (a small brick building with corrugated fibrolite roofing) and Transformer Compound, the corrugated iron clad Stores, the Nursing Administration Building (clad in fibrous cement with a colourbond roof), the Gardener's Store (a small brick shed with an iron roof) are not considered significant. [These are designated B, C, D, J, N, and R in Hocking Planning and Architecture Pty Ltd: 'Conservation Plan, Sunset Hospital' (prepared for the Building Management Authority in September 1995)].

The Doctor's and Staff Accommodation [a brick and tile building designated T in the Conservation Plan] is not included in this registration.