



## REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES

### Permanent Entry

1. **DATA BASE No.** 00144
2. **NAME** *St Paul's Anglican Church & Graveyard, Edwards Crossing (1859)*
3. **LOCATION** 'Speldhurst', Avon Location I, Beverley
4. **DESCRIPTION OF PLACE INCLUDED IN THIS ENTRY**  
Portion of Avon Location I being the subject of Memorial Book 6 Number 1370.
5. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA** Shire of Beverley
6. **OWNER** The Bishop of Perth
7. **HERITAGE LISTINGS**

• Register of Heritage Places:	Interim Entry	18/05/2004
	Permanent Entry	23/11/2004
• National Trust Classification:	Recorded	02/06/1970
• Town Planning Scheme:	Included	16/12/1991
• Municipal Inventory:	Adopted	26/04/1996
• Register of the National Estate:		-----
8. **CONSERVATION ORDER**  
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9. **HERITAGE AGREEMENT**  
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10. **STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**

*St Paul's Anglican Church & Graveyard, Edwards Crossing*, comprising a single-storey rendered mud-brick auditory-plan church with corrugated iron roof, and graveyard, has cultural heritage significance for the following reasons:

the place is rare as a convict-period mud brick church;

the place is the only surviving built element of the Edwards Crossing settlement, which was relocated to Beverley in the 1860s and, situated on a rise in the rural landscape, is a local landmark;

the place was constructed by settlers and convicts, and is one of seven extant Anglican churches in the State from the convict period, the majority of which are located in the Avon Valley, indicating the importance of this region to the State at that time, and the graveyard, last used in 1972, contains graves for many notable families of the region;

the place is a good example of a rural parish church of the 1850s constructed in a simple vernacular style, featuring leadlight lancet windows, imported embroidered Puginesque carpet in the sanctuary, an original 1859 brass bell, and other fixtures and fittings; and,

the place has been a focus for the social and spiritual lives of the local Anglican community since 1859, and continues to be a focus of religious activity.