



REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES

Permanent Entry

1. **DATA BASE No.** 1892
2. **NAME** *Northam Post Office (fmr)* (1873, 1892)
3. **LOCATION** Wellington Street, Northam
4. **DESCRIPTION OF PLACE INCLUDED IN THIS ENTRY**
That portion of Northam Lot 380, being part of the land comprised in Certificate of Title Volume 1542 Folio 764 as is defined in Heritage Council drawing number 1892 prepared by Steffanoni Ewing and Cruikshank Pty Ltd.
5. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA** Town of Northam
6. **OWNER** Town of Northam
7. **HERITAGE LISTINGS**
 - Register of Heritage Places: Interim Entry 28/06/1996
 - Permanent Entry 13/12/1996
 - National Trust Classification: 04/03/1980
 - Planning Scheme: -----
 - Municipal Inventory: -----
 - Register of National Estate: 28/09/1982
8. **CONSERVATION ORDER**

9. **HERITAGE AGREEMENT**

10. **STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**
Northam Post Office (fmr), a brick and iron building combining Victorian Georgian and Federation Free Style architecture, has cultural heritage significance for the following reasons:
 - the architectural design is unique and has strong visual impact;
 - the place is an integral part of the Wellington Street Conservation Area;
 - the place is highly valued by the community for its aesthetic characteristics and as a focal point for social and cultural activities;
 - the unique design of the place was, in part, created by George Temple-Poole, Principal Architect of the Public Works Department;

the place is associated with the evolution and development of postal and telegraphic services throughout Western Australia; and,
as Northam's first purpose-built post office, it provides a link with the era when mail was consigned in horse-drawn Royal Mail coaches and distributed throughout country district mail routes on horseback.