



**HERITAGE
COUNCIL**
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REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES

Permanent Entry

1. **DATA BASE No.** 01891
2. **NAME** *St John's Anglican Church and Parish Hall, Northam* (1890; 1897; 1957; 1971; 1977)
3. **LOCATION** 11 Wellington Street, Northam
4. **DESCRIPTION OF PLACE INCLUDED IN THIS ENTRY**
Northam Lots 90, Northam Lot 91 and Northam Lot 92 being the remainder of the land contained in Crown Grant Enrolment No. ET4416.
5. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA** Town of Northam
6. **OWNER** The Perth Diocesan Trustees
7. **HERITAGE LISTINGS**
 - Register of Heritage Places: Interim Entry 19/08/2008
Permanent Entry 11/08/2009
 - National Trust Classification: Classified 03/04/1980
 - Town Planning Scheme: Adopted 25/02/1998
 - Municipal Inventory: High level of Protection 25/02/1998
 - Register of the National Estate: Nominated 06/08/1981
8. **CONSERVATION ORDER**

9. **HERITAGE AGREEMENT**

10. **STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**

St John's Anglican Church and Parish Hall, Northam, consisting of Church (1890) with Vestry (1971) a Pipe Organ, and Parish Hall (1897) with major additions (1957), both constructed of stone with asbestos shingle roofs in the Victorian Academic Gothic style, set in a landscaped garden, has cultural heritage significance for the following reasons:

the place has been the site of religious activity and worship since 1890, contributing to the community's sense of place as a site of spirituality and culture for the Parish of Northam;

the Church and Hall are excellent examples of well-composed stone ecclesiastical buildings in a landscaped setting constructed in the Victorian Academic Gothic style in the late 19th century, and have a significant presence in the streetscape of Wellington Street;

the place is associated with the development of the Avon Valley region and particularly the town of Northam and its surrounding areas in the later part of the 19th century when rapid growth was experienced following the establishment of the railway at Northam and the discovery of gold in the State;

the place has particular aesthetic value in the belltower, stained glass windows and tessellated tiles to the floor of the porch; and,

the place is associated with significant Perth architect, Francis Bird, and with the Hon George Throssell (second Premier of Western Australia) who was a noteworthy member of the committee that organised the construction of the church and hall.

The parish centre (former rectory 1981) and the pre-painted corrugated galvanised steel shed (2005) are of little cultural heritage significance.