

REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES PERMANENT ENTRY

1. **DATA BASE No. 13491**

2. NAME Agricultural Bank (fmr), Merredin

(1920s; 1937; 1954; 1972; 1980s)

OTHER NAMES Homeswest Building, CALM office

3. LOCATION 33 Bates Street, Merredin

4. DESCRIPTION OF PLACE INCLUDED IN THIS ENTRY

Lots 2, 3, 4 and 5 on Diagram 9881 being the whole of the land contained in Certificate of Title Volume 1049 Folio 958.

5. LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA Shire of Merredin

6. OWNER AT PERMANENT

State of Western Australia (Responsible Agency: Department of Communities)

7. HERITAGE LISTINGS

•	Register of Heritage Places:	Interim Entry	20/07/2018
		Permanent Entry	11/12/2018
•	National Trust Classification:		
•	Town Planning Scheme:		
•	Municipal Inventory:	Adopted	16/04/1999
•	Register of the National Estate:		

8. CONSERVATION ORDER

9. HERITAGE AGREEMENT

10. STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Agricultural Bank (fmr), Merredin, comprising a single-storey brick, render and corrugated iron bank created in 1937 in the Inter-War Art Deco style, has cultural heritage significance for the following reasons:

the place was established as a direct result of the 1934 Royal Commission into the operation of the Agricultural Bank, which had been established by

the Western Australia Government and was a major factor in the development of the West Australian Wheatbelt; and,

the place is elaborately designed and features fine detailing in the Inter-War Art Deco style and contributes to the streetscape of one of the main streets of Merredin.

The garage and the rear extensions to the building are of no heritage significance.