



**HERITAGE
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Permanent Entry

1. **DATA BASE No.** P00380
2. **NAME** *Masonic Hall, Bunbury* (1893; 1935; 1985)
FORMER NAME Freemasons Hall; Wellington Lodge
3. **LOCATION** 74 Wittenoom Street, Bunbury
4. **DESCRIPTION OF PLACE INCLUDED IN THIS ENTRY**
Bunbury Town Lot 322 being the whole of the land contained in Certificate of Title Volume 666 Folio 148.
5. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA** City of Bunbury
6. **OWNER** The Wellington and Bunbury Masonic Hall Company Limited
7. **HERITAGE LISTINGS**
 - Register of Heritage Places: Interim Entry 03/06/2005
Permanent Entry 26/05/2006
 - National Trust Classification: -----
 - Town Planning Scheme: Heritage List, TPS No. 7 16/06/2003
 - Municipal Inventory: Adopted 04/09/2001
 - Register of the National Estate: -----
8. **CONSERVATION ORDER**

9. **HERITAGE AGREEMENT**

10. **STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**

Masonic Hall, Bunbury, a single storey, double volume, brick and corrugated iron building, constructed in 1893 in the Federation Academic Classical style and remodeled in 1935 in the Inter-War Art Deco style, has cultural heritage significance for the following reasons:

the place is a fine intact example of a building remodeled in the Inter-War Art Deco style and is a landmark with its elevated and visually dominant position on Wittenoom Street and its distinctive Art Deco façade;

the place contributes to the civic precinct within the Bunbury CBD as one of a group of places that includes the City Council and Gardens, Courts and Police Station;

the place is the second oldest extant purpose-built Masonic building in Western Australia, continues to function as a Masonic hall and is associated in particular with the establishment in 1886 of the Wellington Lodge, the first Masonic Lodge in the south west; and,

the 1935 Art Deco remodeling of the place was designed by prominent West Australian architects Herbert Eales and Eustace Cohen.

The 1985 additions are of low significance.