

REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES Interim Entry

1. **DATA BASE No.** 0654

2. NAME *Cunderdin Hall* (1910; 1922-23; 1956)

3. LOCATION Main Street, Cunderdin

4. DESCRIPTION OF PLACE INCLUDED IN THIS ENTRY

Cunderdin Lot 179, being Crown Reserve 20869 and being the whole of the land comprised in Crown Land Record Volume 3027 Folio 477.

5. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA** Shire of Cunderdin

6. OWNER Shire of Cunderdin

7. HERITAGE LISTINGS

•	Register of Heritage Places:	Interim Entry	24/11/2000
•	National Trust Classification:	Ç	
•	Town Planning Scheme:		
•	Municipal Inventory:	Adopted	31/12/1996
•	Register of the National Estate:	-	

8. CONSERVATION ORDER

9. HERITAGE AGREEMENT

10. STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Cunderdin Hall, a brick and iron structure built in at least three main stages between 1910 and 1956 with a façade in the Inter-War Free Classical style, has cultural heritage significance for the following reasons:

the symmetrical and richly decorated façade, featuring a central pedimental motif over an arched entry, inset with raised scroll work, has a high degree of aesthetic value;

the place is a well-scaled example of the dignified Free Classical style of architecture often favoured for public buildings, and is an important element of the Main Street streetscape;

having being used for a variety of uses, including public hall, Roads Board office, library and film venue, the place has been continuously associated with the working, social and recreational life of the local community since 1910;

the establishment of the place through community fund-raising and public subscription represents the optimism and community spirit of the early twentieth century, and its subsequent additions and change of use indicate changing patterns of community life;

the place was designed by architect Harry Jefferis, who won the competition for the hall's design; and,

as the second hall built in Cunderdin, the place is representative of the increase in population and consolidation of Cunderdin, following completion of the Great Eastern Railway and the Perth-Kalgoorlie pipeline, as an important administrative and commercial centre in the Wheatbelt. (Criterion 2.2)