

REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES Permanent Entry

1. **DATA BASE No.** 0577

2. NAME House & Trees (fmr Warden Finnerty's House)

3. LOCATION 2 McKenzie Street, Coolgardie

4. **DESCRIPTION OF PLACE INCLUDED IN THIS ENTRY** Lot 2048, Diagram 56695, CL692/1934

- 5. LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA Shire of Coolgardie
- 6. OWNER
- 7. HERITAGE LISTINGS

| • | Register of Heritage Places: | Interim Entry | 05/05/1992 |
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| | _ | Permanent Entry | 25/06/1993 |
| • | National Trust Classification: | Ç | 27/10/1976 |
| • | Town Planning Scheme: | | |
| • | Municipal Inventory: | | |
| • | Register of the National Estate: | | 21/03/1978 |

8. CONSERVATION ORDER

9. HERITAGE AGREEMENT

10. STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

A large single storeyed house which demonstrates clearly the taste and style of an imposing residence of the early 1890's. The construction is stone walls, brick quoins and has generous protective verandahs, louvred timber shutters to full height of windows, elaborate joinery to gables, doors and windows. The ventilated roof lantern later became a typical feature of goldfields buildings.

The place has been assessed by the National Trust of Australia (WA) and has been entered in the Register held by that body as a classified building with the following statement of significance:

The important architectural character of the building and its historic associations, as well as its now unique existence in Coolgardie.

The place has also been assessed by the Australian Heritage Commission and has been entered in the Register of the National Estate with the following statement of significance:

This building, the only one of its type surviving in Coolgardie, is historically significant in being the former residence of the local mining warden. The house is architecturally important for the way it reflects the purpose for which it was built and for its distinctive design features, some of which later became much more widely used.