



# REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES

## Permanent Entry

1. DATA BASE No 1998
2. NAME *London Court* (1937)
3. LOCATION. 647-653 Hay Street, Perth
4. DESCRIPTION OF PLACE INCLUDED IN THIS ENTRY  
Portion of Perth Lot F4 the subject of Diagram 992, being the whole of the land comprised in Certificate of Title Volume 1042 Folio 150.
5. LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA City of Perth
6. OWNER London Court Pty Ltd
7. HERITAGE LISTINGS
  - Register of Heritage Places: Interim Entry 14/05/1996
  - Permanent Entry 08/10/1996
  - National Trust Classification: 07/08/1978
  - City of Perth City Planning Scheme (1985): 20/12/1985
  - Included in the Fifth Schedule of the Scheme
  - Municipal Inventory: -----
  - Register of National Estate: 28/09/1982
8. CONSERVATION ORDER  
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9. HERITAGE AGREEMENT  
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10. STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE  
*London Court* , comprising a three and four level open air arcade simulating an Elizabethan period shopping street, originally had fifty-three shops, fifty-five offices and twenty-four flats, has cultural heritage significance for the following reasons:  
  
the place is a distinctive landmark in the Central City Area of Perth and contributes to the streetscape of both St. George's Terrace and of Hay Street;  
  
the richly detailed facade of the place and it's distinctive clocks are important tourist attractions;

the place is historically associated with the development of the shopping precinct of Hay Street, and the construction of shopping arcades as a medium for north-south pedestrian movement through the city;

the place is closely associated with the entrepreneur and miner, Claude de Bernales;

the place has social value as a place for the people of Perth to shop, and for the association of the place with Britain and British history;

the place is representative of the Inter-War Old English style of architecture, embodying all the principle elements of the style: and, it is a rare example of an open air city arcade.