

REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES Permanent Entry

1. **DATA BASE No.** 15756

2. NAME Albany Memorial Park Cemetery (1840 - 1959)

FORMER NAME Memorial Park Cemetery, Old Albany Cemetery, Middleton Road

Cemetery, Pioneer Cemetery.

3. LOCATION Middleton Road, Albany

4. DESCRIPTION OF PLACE INCLUDED IN THIS ENTRY

Albany Lot 327, 328, 329, S51, 503 and 504, being Crown Reserve 22406.

5. LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA City of Albany

6. OWNER State of Western Australia

7. HERITAGE LISTINGS

8. CONSERVATION ORDER

9. HERITAGE AGREEMENT

10. STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Albany Memorial Park Cemetery, a hillside cemetery reserve of just over 2.5 hectares divided into denominational sections and containing approximately 5,000 graves, has cultural heritage significance for the following reasons:

the place is the first consecrated cemetery in Western Australia;

the place has a landmark quality on both sides of Middleton Road, which has provided the basis for the development of further recreational developments in the immediate vicinity;

the place is the burial ground for many people involved in the European settlement of the region, and of members of families prominent in the early history of Western Australia, particularly those prominent within the Great Southern regions;

the place is significant for the number of burials of people from different cultural backgrounds and is representative of the multicultural foundation of the development of the town and region;

the place is valued by the Albany and the Plantagenet regional community as a tangible reminder of the historical development of the town and region. The place is valued through its religious, historical, familial, personal and social associations and contributes to the local community's sense of place; and,

the place is significant as a cultural landscape, a topographically unusual cemetery, and a collection of sepulchral masonry and ironwork.