



**HERITAGE  
COUNCIL**  
OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

## REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES

### Register Entry

1. **DATA BASE No.** 0540
2. **NAME** *Railway Goods Shed & Footbridge, Collie* (1898; 1911-12; 1958; 1960s; 1990s)
3. **LOCATION** Railway Reserve, Forrest Street, Collie
4. **DESCRIPTION OF PLACE INCLUDED IN THIS ENTRY**  
Reserve 47296 comprising Lot 2888 on Deposited Plan 37771 being the whole of the land contained in Crown Land Title Volume LR3131 Folio 636; Part of Reserve 47297 comprising portion of Lot 2890 on Deposited Plan 37771 being part of the land contained in Crown Land Title Volume LR3131 Folio 638; together as defined on HC Curtilage Map P540-0.
5. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA** Shire of Collie
6. **OWNER AT REGISTRATION**  
State of WA (Responsible Agency: Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage; Management Order: Shire of Collie)
7. **HERITAGE LISTINGS**

• Register of Heritage Places:	Interim	28/08/1992
	Registered	16/12/2020
• National Trust Classification:	Classified	03/08/1998
• Town Planning Scheme:		-----
• Municipal Inventory:		-----
• Register of the National Estate:		-----
• Aboriginal Sites Register		-----
8. **ORDERS UNDER SECTION OF THE ACT**  
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9. **HERITAGE AGREEMENT**  
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## 10. STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

*Railway Goods Shed & Footbridge, Collie* comprising a timber framed and corrugated iron clad double gable Class 1 Goods Shed (1898) and a steel-framed timber decked Footbridge (1958) spanning the entire distance over the railway lines between Forrest Street and Throssell Street, has cultural heritage significance for the following reasons:

the place is closely associated with the development and expansion of Collie following the discovery of coal in the region in 1883 and the development of the only coal industry in the State;

the place demonstrates the development and importance of Collie as the State's only town producing commercially viable coal, reflecting the growth of the State to the mid-twentieth century and increased consumption of coal for electricity generation;

the place is associated with the work of C. Y. O'Connor, who was responsible for the design and planning of the Goods Shed. O'Connor was also an instrumental advocate in the economic advantage of using locally produced coal instead of importing it;

the Footbridge is a rare surviving example of a rural railway footbridge; and, the place is highly valued by the community for its associations with the railway history of Collie.