

REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES

Permanent Entry

1. **DATA BASE No.** 00525

2. NAME Kingstown Barracks (1937)

3. **LOCATION** Rottnest Island (Phillip Point & Bickley Point)

4. DESCRIPTION OF PLACE INCLUDED IN THIS ENTRY

That part of Swan Location 10976, being part Crown Reserve 16713 and being part of the land comprised in Crown Land Record Volume 3096 Folio 976 as is defined in Heritage Council of Western Australia survey drawing No. 0525. prepared by Whelans Survey and Mapping Group Pty Ltd.

- 5. LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA Rottnest
- **6. OWNER** The Rottnest Island Authority

7. HERITAGE LISTINGS

 Register of Heritage Places: 	Interim Entry	16/10/1992
	Permanent entry	01/10/2002
 National Trust Classification: 	Classified	04/04/1969
 Town Planning Scheme: 		
 Municipal Inventory: 		
• Register of the National Estate:	Permanent	22/06/1993

8. CONSERVATION ORDER

9. HERITAGE AGREEMENT

10. STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Kingstown Barracks, forming a component of a defence complex in the Inter-War Art Deco style and containing army institutional buildings with a tower as the focal feature, hospital and the cottages, a jetty, a battalion camp site and a gun battery with supporting communication and observation structures, has cultural heritage significance for the following reasons:

the place was a substantial component of the 1930s national coastal defence fortification, being one of two remaining establishments in Australia from the 1930s. It thus represents the fear of a foreign invasion and the international defence strategies of the time;

as part of World War II fortifications, it represents a system of defensive war activity and demonstrates the function of using ground

based mid-twentieth century weapons and supporting surveillance for protection of a key place;

the place is one of two remaining defence establishments in Australia conceived in the 1930s and inherently reflecting international defence strategies of the time;

the site contributes to an understanding of the military history of Western Australia by providing interpreted extant remains of the coastal defence fortifications, the 1930s type of army accommodation with the hierarchical segregation of personnel by rank, and the design style of an army institution in the years immediately prior to World War II;

the buildings are representative of 1930s army institution in the Art Deco style with semi-enclosed spaces and a tower as the focal feature; and.

the site is valued by the community for educational importance having the ability to demonstrate a tangible link with a major international event.