



REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES

Permanent Entry

1. **DATA BASE No.** 0517
2. **NAME** *Bathurst Lighthouse & Quarters* (1900)
3. **LOCATION** Bathurst Point, Rottnest Island
4. **DESCRIPTION OF PLACE INCLUDED IN THIS ENTRY**
 Swan Location 3081, being the whole of the land comprised in Certificate of Title Volume 1046 Folio 243 and:

 That portion of Swan Location 10976, being part of Crown Reserve 16713 and being part of the land comprised in Crown Land Record Volume 3096 Folio 976 as together are defined in Heritage Council of Western Australia survey Drawing No. 0517 prepared by Steffanoni Ewing & Cruickshank Pty Ltd.
5. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA** Rottnest
6. **OWNER** Australian Maritime Safety Authority. (Loc 3081)
 The Rottnest Island Authority. (Reserve 16713)
7. **HERITAGE LISTINGS**

• Register of Heritage Places:	Interim	03/07/1992
	Permanent	04/05/2001
• National Trust Classification:	Classified	05/04/1993
• Town Planning Scheme:		-----
• Municipal Inventory:		-----
• Register of the National Estate:	Nominated	[?]
8. **CONSERVATION ORDER**

9. **HERITAGE AGREEMENT**

10. **STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**
Bathurst Lighthouse & Quarters, a Federation period lightstation, comprising a limestone lighthouse with an automatic light and limestone and fibro quarters, set high above Pinky's Beach and Thomson Bay, and together with its environs, has cultural heritage value for the following reasons:

 the place is integral to the imagery of Rottnest Island, a Western Australian cultural icon which contributes to a sense of place for Western Australians;

the lighthouse is a prominent feature in a highly regarded cultural landscape;

the limestone lighthouse (1900) and the limestone quarters (1900), in the adjoining area, together form an elegantly resolved pair of buildings;

the limestone lighthouse (1900) is a refined example of the Federation Free Classical style, while the limestone quarters are an elegantly resolved example of the Federation Bungalow style;

as the third lightstation construction on Rottnest Island, *Bathurst Island Lighthouse & Quarters* is a reaffirmation of the importance Rottnest Island, its pilot service and its navigational aids to the operations of the port at Fremantle in the period leading up to the construction of the Inner Harbour;

the place was constructed on the site of the pilot station (est. 1866) in response to criticisms levelled at the colonial government regarding navigation passages into the port at Fremantle. Since its construction in 1900, the place has provided a navigational aid to shipping and, as such, has contributed to the safety of sea transport from that time;

the place was designed by prominent Public Works Department architects John H. Grainger and Hillson Beasley;

the place provides substantial evidence of the life and operations of a manned lightstation at the time of Federation until its automation in 1920, and is evidence of a past practice.

The immediate culturally modified landscape setting, including paths and fences, is considered to be of little cultural heritage significance. On the actual lighthouse building, the mild steel ladder, the vinyl floor tiles and the fibro sheets of the wall construction on the interior-upper level are considered to be intrusive, while several other newer features are of little significance.