



REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES

Permanent Entry

1. **DATA BASE No.** 2232
2. **NAME** *Edith Dircksey Cowan Memorial* (1934)
FORMER NAME Edith Cowan Memorial Clock
3. **LOCATION** Kings Park Road, West Perth
4. **DESCRIPTION OF PLACE INCLUDED IN THIS ENTRY**
That portion Kings Park Road, being a part of Road Reserve 12811 as is defined in Heritage Council of Western Australia survey drawing No. 2232 prepared by Steffanoni Ewing & Cruickshank Pty Ltd.
5. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA** City of Perth
6. **OWNER** City of Perth
7. **HERITAGE LISTINGS**
 - Register of Heritage Places: Interim Entry 20/10/2000
Permanent Entry 05/01/2001
 - National Trust Classification: -----
 - Town Planning Scheme: -----
 - Municipal Inventory: -----
 - Register of the National Estate: -----
8. **CONSERVATION ORDER**

9. **HERITAGE AGREEMENT**

10. **STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**
Edith Dircksey Cowan Memorial, a six metre high clock tower constructed of Donnybrook freestone in the Inter-war Art Deco style, has cultural heritage significance for the following reasons:
 - the Memorial commemorates the life and achievements of Edith Dircksey Cowan, Australia's first woman parliamentarian;
 - the memorial is believed to be the first civic monument erected in Australia to honour an Australian woman;
 - the Memorial is a fine example of the Inter-war Art Deco style incorporating indigenous floral motifs;
 - the Memorial has landmark qualities and marks the entrance to Kings Park;

the Memorial was designed by architect Harold Boas, the bronze portrait bust of Edith Cowan was by artist Margaret Johnson; and, the clocks on the Memorial are representative of the few remaining functioning public clocks in the city of Perth.