



REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES

Permanent Entry

1. **DATA BASE No.** 02403
2. **NAME** *Pagoda, Como* (1926; 1998)
FORMER NAMES Gordon's Tea Rooms
Pagoda Tea Rooms
Pagoda Ballroom
Pagoda Dance Pavilion
Pagoda Skating Rink
Pagoda Long Bar and Restaurant
Stardust Room
3. **LOCATION** 111 Melville Parade, Como
4. **DESCRIPTION OF PLACE INCLUDED IN THIS ENTRY**
That portion of Lot 1 on Strata Plan 31338 being part of the land contained in Certificate of Title Volume: 2077 Folio: 1 and portion of common property of Strata Plan 31338 together with portion of Melville Parade as is defined in Heritage Council of Western Australia Survey Drawing No 2403 prepared by Warren King & Company and Midland Survey Services.
5. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA** City of South Perth
6. **OWNER** Kareelya Investments Ltd (as to Lot 1), The Owners of the Clarion All Suites Hotel- Broadwater (as to common property) and City of South Perth (as to Road Reserve)
7. **HERITAGE LISTINGS**
 - Register of Heritage Places: Interim Entry 20/07/2004
Permanent Entry 13/05/2005
 - National Trust Classification: -----
 - Town Planning Scheme: -----
 - Municipal Inventory: 14/11/2000
 - Register of the National Estate: -----
8. **CONSERVATION ORDER**

9. **HERITAGE AGREEMENT**

10. STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Pagoda, Como, a masonry and tile building with an octagonal plan and distinctive three-tiered terracotta tiled roof, constructed in 1926 and largely reconstructed in 1998, has cultural heritage significance for the following reasons:

the place is a unique example of recreational architecture in Western Australia, with Chinese inspired details and form, including an octagonal tower and a three tiered roof that turns up at the edges and is adorned with decorative ridge accents, gargoyles and a finial;

the place contributes to a sense of place for residents and visitors to Perth as a well-known social venue and prominent landmark and is valued by the community for its continued recreational and social functions for over seventy years; and,

the place is rare as the only extant example of the buildings constructed for leisure, recreational and entertainment purposes at Como Beach at the height of its popularity as a summer resort during the 1920s, which lasted to some degree until the Kwinana Freeway was built in 1959.

The recent multi-storey hotel development, which is linked to the place, does not form part of this assessment.