



**HERITAGE
COUNCIL**
OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES PERMANENT ENTRY

1. **DATA BASE No.** P1284
2. **NAME** *Western Australian Bank (fmr), Kalgoorlie (1900–1927); Bank of NSW (1927–1988); The Western Australian Mint (1988–1995); State Housing Commission (1995–2003); Department of Sport and Recreation (2003)*
3. **LOCATION** 106 Hannan Street, Kalgoorlie
4. **DESCRIPTION OF PLACE INCLUDED IN THIS ENTRY**
Lot 904 on Deposited Plan 302579 and being the whole of the land contained on Certificate of Title Volume 1733 Folio 449.
5. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA** City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder
6. **OWNER** State Housing Commission
7. **HERITAGE LISTINGS**
 - Register of Heritage Places: Interim Registration 08/04/2014
Permanent Registration 24/06/2014
 - National Trust Classification: Classified 01/08/1977
 - Town Planning Scheme: -----
 - Municipal Inventory: Adopted 09/07/2001
 - Register of the National Estate: -----
8. **ORDERS UNDER SECTION 38 OR 59 OF THE ACT**

9. **HERITAGE AGREEMENT**

10. **STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**

Western Australian Bank (fmr), Kalgoorlie, a two storey stone, brick and Marseilles pattern tile and corrugated iron roofed building, designed in the Federation Free Classical style, together with rear additions, has cultural heritage significance for the following reasons:

the place is an excellent example of a bank building constructed of local materials, designed in the Federation Free Classical style, that retains much of its original ornate interior detailing, such as pressed metal ceilings with richly decorated cornices;

the place is evidence of the prosperity of Kalgoorlie following the rich gold finds of the 1890s, including the development of banking services, and the solidity of the building symbolises the spirit of optimism at this time;

the place is a fine example of prominent Western Australian architect Sir J. J. Talbot Hobbs' adaption of classical design principles to local conditions and is a rare example of Hobbs' approach to interior design;

the place makes a significant contribution to the historic Hannan Street streetscape which, along with many other key administrative and civic buildings, forms one of Western Australia's finest streetscapes.

The rear toilets, carport and sheds are intrusive.