



**HERITAGE
COUNCIL**
OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES – Permanent Entry

1. **DATA BASE No.** 03137
2. **NAME** *Lincoln Street Ventilation Stack (1941)*
OTHER NAME(S) Dumas' Folly
3. **LOCATION** 57 Lincoln Street (cnr of Smith Street), Highgate
4. **DESCRIPTION OF PLACE INCLUDED IN THIS ENTRY**
Lot 1089 on Deposited Plan 193329 being Reserve 45158 and the whole of the land contained in Crown land Title Volume 3109 Folio 880.
5. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA** Town of Vincent
6. **OWNER** State of Western Australia
(Management Order to the Water Corporation)
(Lease to the Western Australian Police)
7. **HERITAGE LISTINGS**

• Register of Heritage Places:	Permanent Entry	18/12/2007
• National Trust Classification:	Classified	28/08/1995
• Town Planning Scheme:		-----
• Municipal Inventory:	Adopted	27/11/1995
• Register of the National Estate:		-----
8. **CONSERVATION ORDER**

9. **HERITAGE AGREEMENT**

10. **STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**

Lincoln Street Ventilation Stack comprising a thirty-eight metre high brick and render sewer vent in the Inter-War Art Deco style, surrounded by a low wall, and with a chamber room attached, has cultural significance for the following reasons:

the place is an excellent example of the Inter-War Art Deco style applied to an industrial structure;

the place is the only known example of a brick and render sewerage ventilation tower in Perth, making it a unique and highly distinctive landmark;

the place was an important step in the development and expansion of Perth's metropolitan sewerage system during the 1930s and 1940s. The failure of the

place to function with its intended use presented the opportunity for the further development of innovative sewerage management, arising from research into the viable management of hydrogen sulphide gas stimulated by the place's closure;

the place is associated with Russell Dumas, a notable Western Australian engineer and later director of the Public Works Department, who contributed to the development of the metropolitan sewerage system and other public works projects in the early 20th century;

the place is an important example of the contribution made by the sustenance workforce to the development of Perth's infrastructure during the time of the Great Depression; and,

The use of the place as a covert antenna during World War II, and later as a police base, is important in ensuring its continued use.