

# **REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES**

## **Permanent Entry**

- 1. DATA BASE No. 1599
- 2. NAME Moora Town Hall (1913)
- 3. LOCATION Padbury Street, Moora

#### 4. DESCRIPTION OF PLACE INCLUDED IN THIS ENTRY

Moora Lot 36 and that portion of Moora Lot 35, being part of Crown Reserve 7817 and being part of the land comprised in Crown Land Record Volume 3023 Folio 678 as together are defined in Heritage Council of Western Australia survey drawing No. 1599, prepared by Steffanoni Ewing & Cruickshank Pty. Ltd.

#### 5. LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA Shire of Moora

**6. OWNER** Shire of Moora.

### 7. HERITAGE LISTINGS

Register of Heritage Places:	Interim Entry Permanent Entry	04/08/1998 27/11/1998
<ul> <li>National Trust Classification:</li> </ul>	-	
Town Planning Scheme:		
Municipal Inventory:		
• Register of the National Estate:		

### 8. CONSERVATION ORDER

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### 9. HERITAGE AGREEMENT

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### **10. STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**

*Moora Town Hall*, a Federation Georgian Revival style, single-storey, brick, render and corrugated iron building, has cultural heritage significance for the following reasons:

as an imposing building performing an important civic function, the place has landmark qualities within the streetscape and townsite and contributes to the identity and character of Moora;

the place is highly valued by the community as the centre of social events since 1913 to the present and as the centre of civic administration for 46 years from 1913 to 1959;

the place contributes to the community's sense of place as a reminder of the development of Moora and as a social centre for a farming community;

is a fine example of rural civic architecture designed in the Federation Georgian Revival style. It is a singular design by the architect, and the only building of its period, type or function in Moora town or shire area;

as the first purpose designed civic offices in Moora, the place demonstrates the development of the local government in that region;

the place is associated with past civic leaders and identities of Moora and the surrounding region, including H B Lefroy and James Clinch. It is also associated with the original architect, W.A. Nelson, and the builder, D. Griffiths, who collaborated on many of Moora's most important buildings; and,

the place is characteristic of rural civic architecture combining civic offices with a social centre.

The temporary storage sheds to the west of *Moora Town Hall* have little heritage significance.

The two wings of the Shire Offices are not included in this assessment.