



**HERITAGE
COUNCIL**
OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES PERMANENT ENTRY

1. **DATA BASE No.** 5072
2. **NAME** *Gnowangerup Noongar Centre (fmr)* (c.1913)
OTHER NAMES Old Noongar Centre; Gnowangerup Heritage Cultural Centre
3. **LOCATION** 7 Aylmore Street, Gnowangerup
4. **DESCRIPTION OF PLACE INCLUDED IN THIS ENTRY**
Lot 109 on Deposited Plan 224130 being all of the land contained in Certificate of Title Volume 721 Folio 167
5. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA** Shire of Gnowangerup
- 6a. **OWNER AT INTERIM REGISTRATION**
Gnowangerup Aboriginal Corporation
- 6b. **OWNER AT PERMANENT REGISTRATION**
Gnowangerup Aboriginal Corporation
7. **HERITAGE LISTINGS**

• Register of Heritage Places:	Interim Entry	04/11/2011
	Permanent Entry	13/04/2012
• National Trust Classification:		-----
• Town Planning Scheme:		-----
• Municipal Inventory:	Adopted	13/03/1996
• Register of the National Estate:		-----
8. **ORDERS UNDER SECTION 38 OR 59 OF THE ACT**

9. **HERITAGE AGREEMENT**

10. **STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**
Gnowangerup Noongar Centre (fmr), a single-storey brick and corrugated iron four-room cottage in the Federation Bungalow style, has cultural heritage significance for the following reasons:

the Centre, established in 1972 in a 1913 cottage, was an influential initiative which provided services and a social venue for Aboriginal people in a non-government and cooperative environment;

the place was the first rural centre of its type established by the New Era Aboriginal Fellowship (NEAF), a prominent movement for Aboriginal equality and empowerment founded in 1969. Many NEAF members involved in the Gnowangerup project became regionally and/or nationally recognised for their social contributions; and,

the place is highly valued by the Noongar community of Gnowangerup as a place owned by Aboriginal people that was a venue for community meetings and socials, a centre that provided medical and legal services, homework support, preparation of lunches for school children, and until 1989 was, the headquarters of the Gnowangerup Noongar Corporation, when a new building was constructed.

The skillion additions at the rear of the building are of little significance. The bus shed in the rear yard is intrusive.