



# REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES

## Permanent Entry

1. **DATA BASE No.** 4035
2. **NAME** *Merredin Post Office Group* (1913+)  
**COMPRISING** Post Office (1913, 1925, 1965, 1995)  
Post Office Residence (fmr) (1913, 1922, 1990)  
Telephone Line Equipment (Land Line Exchange L.L.E.) Building  
(c. 1943, c. 1954)
3. **LOCATION** Cnr Barrack and Bates streets, Merredin
4. **DESCRIPTION OF PLACE INCLUDED IN THIS ENTRY**  
Lot 101 on Diagram 74773, being the whole of the land comprised in  
Certificate of Title Volume 1843 Folio 928.  
  
Lot 102 on Diagram 74773, being the whole of the land comprised in  
Certificate of Title Volume 1822 Folio 128.
5. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA** Shire of Merredin
6. **OWNER** Shire of Merredin (Lot 101, Residence)  
Australian Postal Commission (Lot 102, Post Office)
7. **HERITAGE LISTINGS**

• Register of Heritage Places:	Interim Entry	27/11/1998
	Permanent Entry	01/04/1999
• National Trust Classification:		-----
• 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**  
*Merredin Post Office Group*, comprising a single-storey brick and iron Post  
Office building constructed in Federation Free Style; the former Post Office  
Residence, a single-storey brick and iron residence constructed in  
Federation Bungalow Style; and the former Telephone Line Equipment

(Land Line Exchange; L.L.E.) Building, a utilitarian structure of concrete block and iron construction, has cultural heritage significance for the following reasons:

the Post Office and the Post Office Residence (fmr) contribute to the town and surrounding agricultural community's sense of place, being integral in the town's commercial and retail precinct and contributing to the townscape and character of Merredin;

the Post Office is a landmark on a prominent corner in the Merredin town and is typical of regional town post office locations;

the establishment of dedicated postal facilities reflects the growth and importance of the Merredin locality in the early decades of the twentieth century, as a result of the operation of the Eastern Goldfields Railway and the associated development of the central eastern wheatbelt district of Western Australia;

the place, particularly the Post Office, is valued by the community for its service to the public and as a point of social contact from 1913; and,

the Post Office and Post Office Residence (fmr) are fine examples of post office facilities designed in the Federation Free and Federation Bungalow styles, by Government architect, Hillson Beasley.

The L.L.E. Building (fmr) is of low aesthetic value and intrudes on the setting of the other elements of the place.