

# **REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES Permanent Entry**

- 1. DATA BASE No. 2640
- **2. NAME** *Wagin Post Office* (1913; 1937; 1959; 1962; 1994-95)
- **3. LOCATION** Cnr Tudhoe & Traverse Streets, Wagin
- 4. **DESCRIPTION OF PLACE INCLUDED IN THIS ENTRY** Lot 3 on Diagram 82781, being the whole of the land comprised in Certificate of Title Volume 1941 Folio 587, together with a right of carriageway over the portion of Lot 4 on the said Diagram as set out in Transfer F 91483.
- 5. LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA Shire of Wagin
- 6. **OWNER** Kyleside Pty Ltd.

## 7. HERITAGE LISTINGS

Register of Heritage Places:	Interim Entry Permanent Entry	07/10/1997 02/09/1998
<ul><li>National Trust Classification:</li><li>Town Planning Scheme:</li></ul>	Classified	08/03/1994
<ul><li>Municipal Inventory:</li><li>Register of the National Estate:</li></ul>	(listed)	

#### 8. CONSERVATION ORDER

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#### 9. HERITAGE AGREEMENT

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## **10. STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**

*Wagin Post Office*, a Federation Free Style single-storey masonry building, has cultural heritage significance for the following reasons:

the strong three dimensional form of the place establishes a presence appropriate for a civic building and makes an important contribution to the Wagin streetscape;

the creative and artistic excellence exhibited in the masonry detailing is a significant achievement;

the place is a fine example of Federation Free Style architecture. The symmetrical composition employs dominant classical elements but achieves a balance through the subtle exploitation of the fabric;

the place provides physical evidence of the growth and prosperity of Wagin township and surrounding agricultural areas during the period prior to World War One;

is a focal point for the Wagin district where social interaction and communication take place;

built on the same site as the first Post Office building, the place contributes to the town, and surrounding agricultural community's sense of place; and,

the place is representative of the Federation Free Style of architecture applied to a civic building by the Public Works Department under the direction of Principal Architect, Hillson Beasley. The building is also representative of a standard design which was adopted for post offices along the Great Southern Railway.