SITE DETAILS

Lot No.: Lot 2358

Reserv No.: 28085 Assess No.: 14081

Dia/Plan: Vol/Fol:

USE OF PLACE

Original Use: Cemetery

Current Use: Cemetery/Park

Ownership: City of Geraldton-Greenough

Public Access: Yes Occupied: Not Occupied

DESCRIPTION

Walls: Not applicable Roof: Not applicable

Condition: Not applicable Integrity:

Original fabric: Modifications:

This small open park contains grave sites and headstones (approximately 60) many of which have been relocated to an area at the eastern side of the park, some nine headstones and grave sites are scattered throughout the park and approximately 25 are sited under a stand of trees close to the southern boundary of the park.

HISTORY

Construction Date: 1860 Source: Feilman Report

Architect: N/A Builder: N/A

A plaque records that this site was the cemetery of St. Francis Xavier Church and that some headstones have been relocated to the Eastern Road Cemetery. National Trust records refer to the park as "The former Old Urch Street Cemetery".

Many noted Geraldton identities were buried here including Martin Hosken (10th of January 1900) and Thomas Brown (9th of July 1863).

HISTORIC THEMES

HCWA: 404 Community services and utilities

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Apex Park has high historic significance given its connection to the St Francis Xavier Church and cemetery dating from c 1860. Although only a few of the original tombstones are in place with many having been relocated, some of those remaining are connected to persons prominent in the history of Geraldton. The place has high aesthetic significance and makes a high contribution to the streetscape given its location on a prominent comer of Chapman Road. The place, which also has some

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Photo Description: 6/11/1996 Suba, Callow & Grundy Headstones along southern boundary.

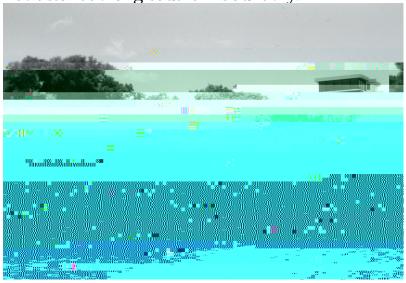


Photo Description: 6/11/1996 Suba & Grundy Park with relocated headstones in background.

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