



City of Greater Geraldton
Municipal Inventory of Heritage Places
Place Record

Area: Greenough	Place Number: 50	Category: 1
Assessment Date: 23/09/1997	Last Revision Date: 09/02/2005	
HCWA Number: 1153	Asset ID: MCH126910	

PLACE DETAILS

Name:	Gray's Store
Other Names:	Cnr Company & McCartney Roads
Type of Place:	Store
Address:	Cnr Company & McCartney Roads
Suburb:	Greenough

LOCATION

Map	Geraldton	GPS	6795153.00	GPS	279504.000
Reference:	S.E	Northing:	0000	Easting:	000



Photo Description:

SITE DETAILS

Lot No.:	Pt. CG 77	Assess No.:	63789
Reserv No.:		Vol/Fol:	
Dia/Plan:			

USE OF PLACE

Original Use:	Store/Residence		
Current Use:	Not in use		
Ownership:			
Public Access:	No	Occupied:	Not Occupied

DESCRIPTION

Walls:	Limestone	Roof:	Shingle
Condition:	Good	Integrity:	
Original fabric:			
Modifications:			

Located on the south west corner of Company and McCartney Roads, this large two storey building has a smaller single storey structure adjoining the south side and remnants of garden walls to the south and west. The two storey section, constructed in Victorian Georgian style of random rubble limestone, has a hipped shingle roof with simple chimneys located to the south and east. The single storey structure has a gable roof with a two tier parapet wall to the east façade below which are large timber double doors. Windows to the two structures are symmetrically placed timber framed six pane and double hung. There are two timber entry doors to the north façade. A large flat masonry sign with a decorative border is located on the north side second storey. The lettering, barely visible, reads "H Gray & Co. Dealers in Imported Goods & Produce". A plaque, set on a concrete plinth is sited some 10 meters to the east of the

Gray's Store was constructed c 1861 using ticket-of-leave labour. Henry Gray was an importer and trader whose store served the Greenough community who lived on the west side of the Greenough River. Most of the store's provisions came from overseas in sailing boats which docked at Dongara. The building was constructed in two stages and used as a house (two storey section) and a store/workshop (single storey). In 1890 Gray closed his Greenough operations and the following year the lease for the building was taken over by Mr A. Meadowcroft. It was used as a residence until the 1950s. The place was badly damaged by fire in 1975 and was largely reconstructed in the 1980s by the current owners, the National Trust of Australia (WA).

(Sources: Palassis Architects, "Greenough District Conservation Masterplan", 1995, pp.175, 213 & Greenough-Walkaway Heritage Trail)

HISTORIC THEMES

HCWA:	100 Demographic settlement and mobility 308 Commercial services and industries 603 Local heroes and battlers
AHC:	3.12.5 Retailing food and beverages 7.6.12 Conserving Australia's heritage

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Gray's Store has high historic significance given its p u a

