

RAGLAN ROAD HALL (FMR), MOUNT LAWLEY



PLACE INFORMATION	
Place name	Raglan Road Hall (fmr)
Other names	
Place type	Individual building or group

HERITAGE LISTING	
inHerit ID:	8740
State Heritage Register:	
Other Listing:	Municipal Inventory Adopted 13 Nov 1995

SITE LOCATION	
Street address	2 Raglan Rd
Locality	Mount Lawley
Survey	LOT: 1 and 3 D/P: 32573
Vol/folio	1082/632
Reserve	—

SIGNIFICANCE	
Level of significance	<p>Moderate</p> <p>Contributes to the heritage of the locality. Has some altered or modified elements, not necessarily detracting from the overall significance of the item.</p>
Management category	<p>Category 3</p> <p>Conservation of the place is desirable. Any alterations or extensions should reinforce the significance of the place and retain original fabric where feasible.</p>
Statement of significance	<p>The place has aesthetic value as a good example of a community hall constructed in the Interwar period, with the modest means available at that time.</p> <p>The place has historic value for its association with the development of Mount Lawley in the Inter-War period.</p> <p>The place has historic value for its association with the types of community entertainment offered in the Inter War period.</p> <p>The place has social value for the members of the community who attended events at the venue from the mid 20th century until the late 20th century.</p> <p>This place is valued by the community for the continuity of its presence in the streetscape which contributes to the community sense of place.</p>

PLACE USE	
Original use	Social/Recreational: Community Hall
Current use	Commercial: Office
Other use	Residential: Single Storey Residence

CONSTRUCTION DETAILS	
Construction date	c1932
Walls	Brick
Roof	Corrugated metal sheeting
Architectural Style	Inter-War Romanesque
Physical description	<p>A single storey small gable roofed hall with an enclosed entrance porch. The gable is vented and infilled with fibro. Small buttresses along the side at regular intervals form bays.</p> <p>It has recently been converted to a residence (2001) and a covered entry gate and perimeter fence have been constructed.</p> <p>Hardcourt carpark forms the street front setback.</p>
Condition	Good
Integrity	Low
Authenticity	Low

HISTORICAL INFORMATION

Raglan Road was gazetted on 12 October 1900. It was named after Field Marshall Lord Raglan, 1st Baron Raglan, who was a general serving at the Crimean War. During this war he became well-known for his incompetence but, in spite of this, several battles resulted in an allied victory and he was promoted to the rank of Field Marshall. The 'raglan' sleeve is named after him as his uniform coat was designed to accommodate the loss of his arm at the Battle of Waterloo.

Alma Road, which was also gazetted on 12 October 1990, also has connections to the Crimean War (1854-56); the Battle of Alma (fought near the River Alma) is generally known as the first battle. Raglan Road was part of the North Perth Estate which extended from Grosvenor Road on the south side to Alma Road on the north and from Walcott (and a piece of Burt Street on the eastern side to John Street (now Leake) on the west.

The area was developed by the Perth Land & Agency Coy. The surveyors of the original subdivision were Crossland & Hardy and blocks could be purchased from the developers on just a small deposit. It was advertised as a 'magnificent estate' which overlooked 'the whole of the City'. Also included in the advertisement was the following: Married men who wish to have a nest egg; young men who desire to put something by which will increase day by day; parents who desire to endow their children with a gift; and guardians, trustees, etc., who look for an immediate return, invest your money in this property as from its position and surroundings it must rapidly increase in value.

The hall at No. 2 Raglan Road did not appear on the MWSS & DD sewerage plans circa 1930 but the block appears to have been excised from the one on the corner of Raglan and Walcott streets and the one immediately to the north of that. The land between Walcott Street and No. 18 was vacant ground at this time. Nor did it appear in the City of Perth rate books prior to 1944. The latter does not exclude its existence, however, as it may have been given rate exemption and therefore not have been listed.

It appeared in Wise's Post Office Directories in 1933 for the first time listed as 'Raglan Road Hall'. The building was later used as a gospel church/hall and then as a photogrammetrist office before being converted to a single residence in 1999 by Barry Robinson Architects & Associates.

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In 2007 a disabled ramp and toilet were installed and it was again used as an office.

As of 2024 the space is still used as an office, currently occupied by APN Outdoor Pty Ltd, marketing company, subsidiary of JCDecaux group.

Aerial photographs from the mid 20th century onwards show very little change in the structure of the subject place. A new roof was installed in the mid 1980s, and another in the early 2000s. A carport was added to the east side of the building around 2003. There have been few changes since that time.

HISTORICAL INFORMATION

Historic theme	Cultural Life: Recreation - Arts, Culture and Entertainment	
Associations	Barry Robinson Architects & Associates	Architects
Sources	Municipal Heritage Inventory 2006 Landgate Aerial photographs 1953-2024.	

ADDITIONAL PHOTOGRAPHS

