

TERRACE HOUSES, GRANT ST, PERTH



PLACE INFORMATION	
Place name	Terrace Houses, Grant St
Other names	
Place type	Individual building or group

HERITAGE LISTING	
State Heritage Office ID:	3994
State Heritage Register:	
Other Listing:	Classified by the National Trust Classified Register of the National Estate Nominated 23 Apr 1991 Municipal Inventory Adopted 13 Nov 1995

SITE LOCATION	
Street address	4-10 Grant St
Locality	Perth
Survey	
Vol/folio	
Reserve	—

SIGNIFICANCE	
Level of significance	Moderate Contributes to the heritage of the locality. Has some altered or modified elements, not necessarily detracting from the overall significance of the place.
Management category	Category 3 Conservation of the place is desirable. Any alterations or extensions should reinforce the significance of the place, and original fabric should be retained wherever feasible.
Statement of significance	The place has aesthetic value as a fine, rare and intact example of the Victorian Georgian style which is a landmark in the streetscape. The place reflects the expansion and development of residential buildings on the city fringes during the rapid population increase of 1890's gold boom and the early years of the twentieth century. This place is valued by the community for the continuity of its presence in the streetscape which contributes to the community sense of place.

PLACE USE

Original use	Residential: Conjoined Residences
Current use	Residential: Conjoined Residences
Other use	

CONSTRUCTION DETAILS

Construction date	1906
Walls	Painted Brick
Roof	Corrugated metal sheeting
Architectural Style	Victorian Georgian
Physical description	<p>Four modest single storey attached dwellings in the Victorian Georgian style, reminiscent of the pre Gold boom era.</p> <p>No 4 has a wider frontage than the other three, which have similar width frontages. No 4 has a central front door with a room either side, whereas the others are single fronted.</p> <p>The terraces are of brick construction with dividing firewalls. The roof is hipped on its free ends and stepped in the middle. There are separate skillion and bullnose verandahs.</p> <p>The Victorian Georgian style is rare in Western Australia and 4-10 Grant St are very late examples of the use of this style.</p>
Condition	Good
Integrity	High
Authenticity	High

HISTORICAL INFORMATION

Grant Street is a small 'no through ' road running from Bulwer Street to the rear of the Highgate Primary School. The terraces at Nos. 4-10 were built on the eastern side of the street in 1906 for Mark Day. The dwelling at No. 4 with a wider frontage and greater depth than the other three had the rear of four separate blocks bordering it on the Bulwer Street. It was initially occupied by the owner himself. In 1906, No. 6 was vacant, and police constable John Sergeant, and ironmonger Mark Keddy occupied No 8 and No 10 respectively.

The attraction of the area for the tenants would have been the transport facilities (the Beaufort Street trams had been operating since the early 1900s), although many preferred to walk into the City; and the existence of the school at the end of the street. Highgate School although built in 1895, had already expanded with a separate infant's school being established in 1900. Churches of both the Roman Catholic and Anglican denominations were also close by (Sacred Heart and St Albans) and a shopping strip was beginning to develop along Beaufort Street.

According to Wise's Post Office Directories in 1915, Mark Day was no longer in residence. The tenants at this time were Ernest Haigh (4), George McCartney Allday (6), Mrs Mary Haynes (8) and Thomas W. Ball (10). There were no other houses on the east side of the street, and only two on the west side at this time. By 1925 there were eight houses altogether in the street and No. 4 was occupied by Albert E. Serrell, No. 6 by William Osborne, No. 8 by Reginald A. Eastwood and No. 10 by Frederick Washborne. In 1949 William Osborne was still at No. 6, but the other occupants had changed: Edward Guy at No. 4, Alex Clamp at No.8 and Arthur H. Green at No. 10.

Aerial photographs from the mid 20th century onward indicate that there were few changes to the residences until the late 1980s, and 1990s when new roof cladding was installed. The residences have changed little visually since that time.

ADDITIONAL PHOTOGRAPHS

