

HOUSE, 63 PARRY ST, PERTH



PLACE INFORMATION	
Place name	House, 63 Parry St
Other names	
Place type	Individual building or group

HERITAGE LISTING	
inHerit ID:	4199
State Heritage Register:	
Other Listing:	Perth Draft Inventory 99-01 YES 31 Dec 1999

SITE LOCATION	
Street address	63 Parry St
Locality	Perth
Survey	LOT: 826 D/P: 39555
Vol/folio	2563/85
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 place.</p>
Management category	<p>Category 3</p> <p>Conservation of the place is desirable.</p> <p>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 intact example of a cottage constructed in a simple expression of the Federation Queen Anne style which makes a positive contribution to the streetscape.</p> <p>The place reflects the expansion and development of residential and commercial buildings on the city fringes during the rapid population increase of the 1890's gold boom and the early years of the twentieth century.</p> <p>The place is representative as an example of a cottage for working families dating from the late nineteenth and early twentieth 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	Residential: Single storey residence
Current use	Residential: Two storey residence
Other use	

CONSTRUCTION DETAILS

Construction date	c1899
Walls	Brick
Roof	Corrugated metal sheeting
Architectural Style	Federation Queen Anne
Physical description	<p>A Federation Queen Anne styled single storey home with a grey corrugated steel hipped roof. The roof has a prominent gable on the right side towards the street with a gable spire at the apex. Below the roof line along the Parry Street façade is red corrugated iron awning verandah, supported by painted timber square posts with timber decorative corner brackets.</p> <p>The entire building is tuck pointed, face brick with Flemish bond. The front façade has three, floor to ceiling height windows and the main entrance is located on the western wall down a walkway running along the fence line.</p> <p>Painted timber picket fence delineating the site from the street with a generous set back and mature tree in the front.</p>
Condition	Good
Integrity	High
Authenticity	High

HISTORICAL INFORMATION

Apart from the impact of the 1890s gold boom which resulted in the dramatic increase in the city's population, the development of Parry Street, named in 1845 in honour of Sir William Parry, a rear-admiral in the British Royal Navy, would have also been influenced by its proximity to public transport. The first houses were constructed in 1884 (No. 116 being one of the earliest in the City of Vincent). Following the establishment of the rail system in 1888 and the construction of a station at East Perth, train routes began to operate from 1900 along some of the major city roads, including Lord Street. By this time Parry Street appears to have been well settled with single and semi-detached bungalows.

For many years Parry Street ran continuously from Lord Street to Stirling Street which causes some difficulty in determining the house numbers and names of residents between Lord and Pier streets during the latter part of the 19th century and the first decades of the 20th. Street numbering also changed significantly over these years as settlement increased. The first edition of the H. Pierssene's, *Western Australian Directory*, published in 1893/1895 showed seven residents on the north side of Parry Street between Stirling Street and Guildford Road (now Lord Street) where the subject property is located. The first edition of *Wise's Post Office Directories* in 1895/1896, reveals eight residents in this section of the street, which had increased to 16 listed residents by 1900.

The City of Perth Rates Books show that the cottage was built in 1899 for the owner Gervase Clifton. He was part of the extended Clifton family who were well known in the Perth community. The cottage was built as an investment property and the first occupant was teacher, Samuel Dark. No detail of the architect or builder of the cottage has been found in this research.

Throughout the first half of the 20th century the cottage was occupied by tenants and there was several changes of ownership.

Aerial photographs from the mid 20th century indicate that the cottage has changed little in form or extent although the roof has changed from red corrugated iron to the current grey corrugated metal sheeting.

HISTORICAL INFORMATION

The rear lot boundary of the property has changed to accommodate new development to rear.

Historic theme	Peopling WA: Demographic Development. Cultural Life: Domestic Life	
Associations	Gervase Clifton	Original Owner
Sources	Landgate Aerial photographs 1953-2024. City of Perth Rates Books Municipal Heritage Inventory 2006	

ADDITIONAL PHOTOGRAPHS

