

HOUSE, 164 NEWCASTLE ST, PERTH



PLACE INFORMATION	
Place name	House, 164 Newcastle St
Other names	Condon Residence
Place type	Individual building or group

HERITAGE LISTING	
inHerit ID:	
State Heritage Register:	
Other Listing:	MRA inventory

SITE LOCATION	
Street address	164 Newcastle St
Locality	Perth
Survey	Lot 1518, DP052158
Vol/folio	2648/466
Reserve	—

SIGNIFICANCE	
Level of significance	<p>Considerable Very important to the heritage of the locality. High degree of integrity/authenticity.</p>
Management category	<p>Category 2 Conservation of the place is highly desirable. Any alterations or extensions should reinforce the significance of the place.</p>
Statement of significance	<p>The place is an example of a modest Federation era dwelling constructed in rendered brick and corrugated metal sheeting.</p> <p>The place reflects the expansion and development of residential properties on the city fringes during the rapid population increase of the 1890's gold boom.</p> <p>The place demonstrates the form and scale of housing for professional men and their families in the late 19th century.</p>

PLACE USE	
Original use	Residence: Single storey residence
Current use	Residence: Single storey residence
Other use	

CONSTRUCTION DETAILS	
Construction date	c1893
Walls	Rendered brick
Roof	Coloured corrugated metal sheeting
Architectural Style	Federation Bungalow
Physical description	<p>A single storey stuccoed brick Federation building with a red corrugated iron hipped roof, and two stuccoed chimneys. The yellow stucco has light chipping and peeling on the sides of the building. The symmetrical front façade has a replaced central door with an aluminium frame with stuccoed detailing around the frame and timber framed sidelight and transom window around the door.</p> <p>On either side of the door is a timber framed sash windows with stuccoed windowsills. Over the front façade, under the roof line is a verandah supported by six Tuscan columns on a stuccoed brick half wall.</p> <p>The building has a generous setback from the street boundary filled with vegetation that is distinguished by a timber and wire fence.</p>
Condition	Good
Integrity	High
Authenticity	High

HISTORICAL INFORMATION	
<p>This section of Newcastle Street was subdivided for town lots during the years following the gold boom in the 1890s. The area housed a mix of small business owners and tradespeople, in either privately owned or rental properties. The population changes during the twentieth century reflected the diverse migration to Western Australia. The Chinese were amongst the earliest settlers and apart from their market gardens, were notable for the number of laundries they operated. By the mid-1930's, Italian and Greek migrants were settling in the district, to be followed in the post Second World War years, by various groups from Europe and Asia. These migrants groups helped to create the distinctive cultural diversity that has become synonymous with Northbridge.</p> <p>From the readily available information this cottage was built c1893 for the owner and occupier, detective Stephen Condon (c1863 – 1939) and his family, comprising his wife Kate and their five children. Stephen and Kate Condon arrived from Ireland the early 1880s and Stephen Condon joined the WA Police Force in 1886. He worked in York and Perth and appointed a Sub Inspector in 1900. The Condon family lived at this cottage at different periods until the early 1900s. At the time the cottage was built this portion of Newcastle Street was known as Ellen Street and the house was designated as 104 Ellen Street.</p> <p>Aerial photographs from the mid 20th century indicate that the form and extent of the place have not changed significantly. The roof was originally clad in red corrugated iron which was changed to its current coloured zincalume in the late 1990s.</p>	
Historic theme	Demographic Settlement and Mobility: Settlements Peopling WA: Demographic Development Social and civic activities: Law and order
Associations	Stephen Condon Owner and occupier
Sources	MRA Central Perth Heritage Inventory. Wises Post Office Directory Australian Electoral Rolls Metropolitan Water & Sewerage Maps City of Perth Rates Books. Erickson, R (ed) The Bicentennial Dictionary of Western Australia's pre-1829 – 1888, UWA Press, 1987, Vol 1, p. 614.

ADDITIONAL PHOTOGRAPHS

