



# REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES

## Permanent Entry

1. **DATA BASE No.** 1076
2. **NAME** *Gingin Post Office* (1886)
3. **LOCATION** Corner Brockman and Constable Streets, Gingin
4. **DESCRIPTION OF PLACE INCLUDED IN THIS ENTRY**  
Gingin Town Lot 123 being the whole of the land comprised in Certificate of Title Volume 1977 Folio 975.
5. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA** Shire of Gingin
6. **OWNER** Beverly Ross Gresele and Margaret Lorraine Gresele
7. **HERITAGE LISTINGS**
  - Register of Heritage Places: Interim Entry 28/02/1995
  - Permanent Entry 27/02/1996
  - National Trust Classification; Recorded: 05/03/1979
  - Shire of Gingin Town Planning Scheme: 10/12/1993
  - Register of National Estate: -----
8. **CONSERVATION ORDER**  
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9. **HERITAGE AGREEMENT**  
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10. **STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**

*Gingin Post Office*, a single-storey rendered masonry and tile building, has cultural heritage significance for the following reasons:

the place is a rare example of the Colonial Government's post office building program and is the oldest extant purpose built post office in Western Australia;

the place represents the vigorous lobbying by the Gingin community for its construction and the associated connection to the telegraph line from Perth to Geraldton;

the place, in its relatively intact interior of public space, mail room and residence, is a fine demonstration of a rural postal establishment in the late nineteenth century for the receiving, sorting and distribution of mail and telegrams along the horseback routes of the district;

the place is representative of a complementary association between police and postal service in the early development of public facilities; and,

the attached residence is a demonstration of the role and lifestyle of the postmaster at the time.