



REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES

Permanent Entry

1. **DATA BASE No.** 2216
2. **NAME** *North Perth Town Hall Complex* (1902; 1910)
North Perth Lesser Hall (1902)
North Perth Main Hall (1910)
3. **LOCATION** 24-26 View Street, North Perth
4. **DESCRIPTION OF PLACE INCLUDED IN THIS ENTRY**
Swan Location 2146, being the whole of the land comprised in Certificate of Title Volume 2030 Folio 208.
5. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA** Town of Vincent
6. **OWNER** Town of Vincent
7. **HERITAGE LISTINGS**
 - Register of Heritage Places: Interim Entry 23/04/1999
Permanent Entry 27/08/1999
 - National Trust Classification: -----
 - Town Planning Scheme: -----
 - Municipal Inventory: Adopted 27/11/1995
 - Register of the National Estate: -----
8. **CONSERVATION ORDER**

9. **HERITAGE AGREEMENT**

10. **STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**
North Perth Town Hall Complex, a Federation Free Classical style red brick masonry construction with stuccoed ornamentation comprising the original 1902 Lesser Hall building and the more substantial Main Hall, built in 1910[#], has cultural heritage significance for the following reasons:

[#] When built in 1910, the second hall was occasionally referred to as the 'Lesser Hall, in acknowledgment of the 1902 hall having been designated the 'Town Hall'; however, in later documentation the 1910 hall was designated as the 'Main Hall' and the 1902 hall the 'Lesser Hall', in reference to their comparable sizes. The later designation has been used in this documentation.

the place is a representative example of municipal halls designed in the Federation Free Classical style for the inner suburbs that emerged around the city of Perth in the early 1900s;

planned as the eastern wing of a greater complex, the grandeur of the Lesser Hall illustrates the wealth and confidence that accompanied the gold boom period;

built of red brick masonry construction with stuccoed ornamentation, the place forms a visually important and cohesive complex;

the place forms a part of streetscape of similarly styled buildings on Leake Street;

the place is a significant feature in the development of the suburb, marking a time when its population and income were sufficient to support the creation of a municipality;

the place is highly valued by the local community for its use as a venue for major civic, social and cultural activities dating from 1914;

North Perth Lesser Hall is a fine example of the architectural work of Henry James Prockter; and

the place has been a landmark in the suburb since 1902 and as such had contributed to the community's sense of place.

Recent work to the place including the kitchen added to the main hall, toilets behind the Lesser Hall, the infill fabric of the covered link between the two buildings, and the interiors of the backstage and Lesser Hall kitchen areas, are of low significance.