

Annual Report

HERITAGE COUNCIL OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

2004/05



Hon Francis Logan MLA
Minister for Housing and Works; Heritage;
Assisting the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure

In accordance with section 66 of the *Financial Administration and Audit Act 1985*, I hereby submit for your information and presentation to Parliament, the Annual Report of the Heritage Council of Western Australia, for the year ended 30 June 2005.

The report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions of the *Financial Administration and Audit Act 1985*.

Yours sincerely



Gerry Gauntlett
Acting Chairman
31 August 2005

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Communication objective

This annual report reviews the Council's performance in 2004/05 and provides an account of all activities and initiatives embarked upon during the financial year. This report is available on the Council's website www.heritage.wa.gov.au.

Feedback on this report is welcome. Please send comments to the: Communications Manager, Heritage Council of Western Australia, PO Box 6201, East Perth WA 6892, email heritage@hc.wa.gov.au or telephone 9221 4177 or 1800 644 177 (freecall).

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Message from the Chair of the Heritage Council



The past 12 months have been significant in advancing the conservation of heritage in Western Australia.

We have made important steps in compiling a comprehensive State Register, now totalling 1,113 places, ensuring that many historic places will remain well into the future.

For the past two years, funding of \$1 million has been available each year for heritage conservation projects in Western Australia. The Heritage Grants Program, now in its eighth year, has assisted some 400 conservation projects, providing more than \$5.8 million in heritage grants.

Many of our important initiatives continued in 2004/05 including assistance to owners and local governments in regional communities through the Regional Heritage Advisory Service and the provision of low interest loans under the Heritage Loan Scheme.

The State Government has also invested considerable public monies into retaining publicly owned buildings including several of the heritage buildings in the William and Wellington Street precinct in Perth as part of the new railway station development. The re-development of the old Treasury Building in Perth has also been revived. As well as allocating about \$13 million for the stabilisation and future adaptive re-use of the East Perth Power Station, \$3 million will go towards heritage conservation at the Midland Railway Workshops. The next 12 months will be an exciting period as these developments unfold.

With these achievements in mind, a number of challenges lie ahead in the identification, management and conservation of our heritage assets. We must encourage a balanced debate on heritage in Western Australia and seek ways to improve dialogue with owners and provide assistance for heritage conservation. This will require the support of State, Commonwealth and local government.

I formally acknowledge Mr Patric de Villiers for his great leadership and the direction he provided to the Heritage Council during his 19 month term as Chairman. I also extend my sincere thanks to retiring councillor Mr Michal Lewi AM who brought much expertise to the Council over his 13 years as representative of the National Trust.

The achievements presented in this annual report could not be possible without the extraordinary dedication and efforts of staff, committee members and members of the Heritage Council: Mr Philip Griffiths, Mr Michal Lewi, Ms Nikolee Ansell, Dr Christine Choo, Hon Ronald Davies, Ms Fiona Kalaf and Mr Philip Vincent.

Gerry Gauntlett
Acting Chair
Heritage Council of Western Australia

Vision, Mission, Objectives



Slab Cottage Group, Dunsborough

Our Vision

To ensure the heritage of Western Australia is recognised as an important and useful asset by the community.

Our Mission

To identify, provide for and encourage the conservation of places that have significance to the cultural heritage of Western Australia.

Our Objectives

- To identify and conserve places of cultural heritage significance throughout the State.
- To facilitate development which is in harmony with cultural heritage values.
- To promote public awareness and knowledge of Western Australia's cultural heritage.

Director's Overview

(incorporating 2004/05 highlights)

During the 2004/05 year, the Heritage Council of Western Australia actively sought to enhance and promote Western Australia's diverse cultural heritage.

Significant initiatives have included the development of the draft Heritage Tourism Strategy, completion of the Local Government Heritage Working Party findings and research into conservation incentives for built heritage.

Several issues and trends emerged during the year.

An increasing State Register together with more complex development applications and precinct listings will present significant challenges in the future for the Heritage Council. Furthermore, completion of the backlog assessment program is likely to be extended over a number of years following the review of processes undertaken by the Heritage Council in 2004/05.

The decision to enter any place in the State Register is now made by the Minister for Heritage. On 27 June 2005, the Minister directed the removal of delegation to approve places for entry in the State Register, where there was no owner objection.

With the change of ministerial portfolios in March 2005, the Heritage Council's employing authority has moved from the Department of Environment (Water and Rivers Commission) to the Department of Housing and Works, commencing 1 July 2005. This arrangement will provide opportunities for new working relationships on joint projects such as the development of Cossack in the State's north west.

In recognising the different challenges private owners face in conserving heritage places, a strong emphasis will continue to be placed on the range and variety of incentives available under the Heritage Act. A \$1 million Heritage Grants Program for 2005/06 will also be maintained.

The implementation of the recommendations of the Heritage Tourism Strategy as a catalyst for conservation of the State's heritage will be an important positive initiative in the forthcoming year.

The year's strengths and achievements outlined in the highlights below are a reflection of the commitment of councillors, committee members and staff to Western Australia's cultural heritage.

Major achievements for 2004/05:

- Preliminary reviews of 1,406 places in the assessment program started in late 2002 and continued through this reporting year with 1,300 completed to year's end.
- An addition of 77 places in the State Register on an interim basis bringing the total to 1,113.
- Advice on 845 development referrals and involvement in achieving a conservation outcome for major development projects such as the East Perth Power Station.
- Announced \$1.85 million for St George's Cathedral for conservation works to the belltower.
- Completion of the first draft of a Heritage Tourism Strategy and distribution as part of a community consultation process.
- During the third year of increased Lotterywest funding of its Conservation of Cultural Heritage Grants Program, the Heritage Council recommended funding projects with the additional \$500,000. Six projects were located in the metropolitan area and 16 in regional areas.
- \$1 million in funding for the 2004/05 round of the Heritage Grants Program for privately owned heritage listed places.
- 21 local governments now participate in the Heritage Loan Scheme since its inception in 2003. Five projects have been completed.
- Played a key role in producing the national report on heritage incentives *Making Heritage Happen and the Revolving Funds Report*.



Major initiatives for 2005/06:

- The Heritage Grants Program will continue for 2005/06.
- Implementation of the recommendations of the Ministerial Local Government Heritage Working Party.
- Initiate the steering committee for the Heritage Tourism Strategy and progress related research and pilot projects.
- Initiatives to increase consultation with owners of places with possible cultural heritage significance will be introduced during 2005/06.
- To progress the land development and long term sustainability of Cossack and the tourism industry.
- Development of new legislation to replace the *Heritage of Western Australia Act 1990*.



Ian Baxter
Director
Heritage Council of Western Australia

About the Heritage Council

The Heritage Council is the State Government's advisory and statutory body on heritage. It makes decisions about the care and protection of heritage places and items that have been identified as being significant to Western Australians.

The nine-member council is supported by a director and office staff. The three primary functions of the Heritage Council are:

- To establish and maintain the State Register of Heritage Places, a statutory list of places that are considered to have cultural heritage significance to the State.
- To ensure that any development of heritage places is sensitive to cultural values.
- To promote awareness and knowledge of our cultural heritage.

The Heritage Council provides advice and support to local and State Government agencies, administers the Heritage Grants Program and Heritage Loan Scheme and coordinates the Regional Heritage Advisory Service.

Heritage Council Members and Committees

The Heritage Council comprises members of the community and the conservation profession, and representatives of organisations such as the National Trust and local government. Members are appointed by the Governor of Western Australia on the recommendation of the Minister for Heritage.

Heritage Council Members in 2004/05 were: Mr Patric de Villiers (until May 2005), Mr Gerry Gauntlett, Mr Philip Griffiths, Mr Michal Lewi, Hon Ronald Davies, Ms Nikolee Ansell, Mr Philip Vincent, Dr Christine Choo and Ms Fiona Kalaf (until March 2005).

The Heritage Council has three committees that provide advice on a range of conservation and management issues. Each committee comprises members of the Heritage Council, staff and other appointed committee members.

The Register Committee

The Register Committee determines the assessment priority for places referred to the Heritage Council, reviews the assessment documentation and decides on entry of places in the State Register where there was no objection (delegation withdrawn by the Minister for Heritage on 29 June 2005). A place is first listed on an interim basis giving effect to a public consultation period.

2004/05 Members

Voting members: Mr Philip Griffiths, Mr Patric de Villiers (to May 2005), Mr Michal Lewi, Dr Christine Choo, Hon Ronald Davies, Professor Norman Etherington, Dr John Stephens, Ms Fiona Bush, Ms Anne Brake, Mr Ian Baxter and Mr Stephen Carrick.

Non-voting members: Ms Christine Lewis and Ms Penny O'Connor.

Development Committee

The Development Committee ensures that proposed development to heritage sites maintain the cultural heritage values of the place. Once a place is listed, major changes to the place require advice from the Heritage Council. In assessing development applications, the impact of the proposed works on the place's heritage significance is taken into consideration. The committee provides advice to a decision-making authority such as a local government or the State Administrative Tribunal.

2004/05 Members

Voting members: Mr Gerry Gauntlett, Ms Nikolee Ansell, Mr Patric de Villiers (to May 2005), Mr Ralph Hoare, Mr Steve Woodland, Ms Suzanne Hunt, Ms Fiona Kalaf (to March 2005), Mr Ian Baxter and Mr Stephen Carrick.

Non-voting members: Ms Lara Watson and Ms Louise Arnold.

Finance/Legislation/Emergency Committee

The Finance/Legislation/Emergency Committee meets when required to ensure all Heritage Council procedures and documents have met the requirements of the Heritage Act, other legislation and government policy.

2004/05 Members

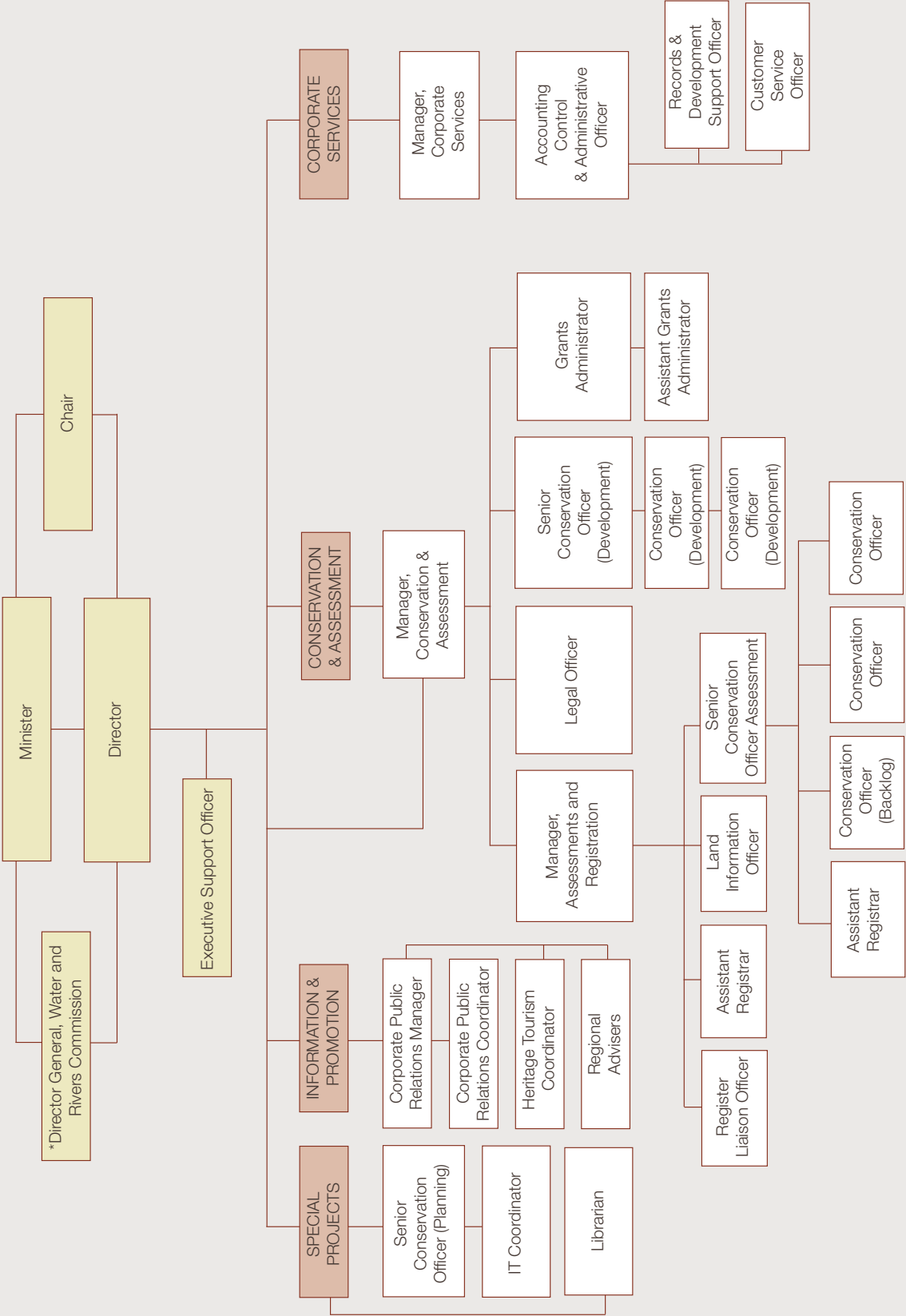
Mr Patric de Villiers (to May 2005), Mr Gerry Gauntlett, Mr Michal Lewi, Mr Philip Griffiths, Mr Ian Baxter and Mr Stephen Carrick.

Non-voting members: Mr Mike Betham and Mr Daniel Iacopetta.

Code of Conduct

The Heritage Council maintains vigorous protocols where councillors or committee members have an interest in a place or issue, as per the Council's code of conduct.

Organisational Structure



* Employing authority status moved to the Department of Housing and Works 1 July 2005

Our Operating Environment



Cottesloe Beach Precinct, Cottesloe

The Heritage Council operates in a dynamic environment interacting with diverse stakeholders and interest groups, both of whom often have competing interests.

The State Register of Heritage Places

The State Register of Heritage Places is a list of places and items identified as being of particular importance to the people of Western Australia. The list includes buildings and structures, gardens, cemeteries and archaeological sites. As at 30 June 2005, there were 1,113 places listed in the State Register.

The ongoing work to make the register reflective of the State's heritage continued in 2004/05 with the addition of 77 places and items. Any member of the community can make nominations to the State Register.

The State Register legally protects a place's cultural heritage significance by ensuring that any proposed demolition, relocation, subdivision, amalgamation, alteration, addition or new development is in harmony with its cultural heritage values. Protection is achieved through the requirement under the Heritage Act that all development proposals to a registered place be referred to the Heritage Council for advice.

Assisting Governments

Regional Heritage Advisory Service

The Heritage Council's Regional Heritage Advisory Service contributes significantly to the conservation of the State's built environment and the future planning of regional communities.

The service is directly involved in the development of built environments in regional communities where often the restoration of historic buildings leads to local employment opportunities, economic diversification and the development of heritage tourism opportunities.

Five heritage advisers cover the Mid West, Wheatbelt, Goldfields, Kalgoorlie-Boulder, South West, Peel, Great Southern and Albany and service 77 local governments throughout Western Australia.

During 2004/05, the Regional Heritage Advisory Service was recognised as a Year of the Built Environment Exemplar as part of a national award program.

Local Government Seminar

Each year the Heritage Council hosts the 'Heritage Planning and Management Seminar' aimed at local government heritage officers and planners. The seminar offers an intensive two-day course looking at planning issues, registration and assessment and development of heritage properties. The seminar presents case studies on recent heritage listings and development and provides many opportunities for discussion on current heritage issues.

Assisting the Community

Resources on the Internet

The main entry point for the community to find out about heritage in Western Australia is through the web site: www.heritage.wa.gov.au. An online database is the gateway to all registered places and items in Western Australia and Local Government Inventories.

The site provides information about the role of the Heritage Council, as well as registration, development, case studies, insurance and grants assistance and insurance.

There were 28,536 visitors to the website in 2004/05, with an average of 78 visits per day. The website continued to be updated and changed to improve navigation for the community.

Publications

In 2004/05 the Heritage Council continued to produce informative and interesting publications, ranging from brochures, newsletters and corporate materials. Highlights include:

- Precincts in Western Australia brochure, clearly explaining the implications of State heritage listing for private owners.
- Heritage Council Calendar, an illustrated desk calendar promoting the conservation and adaptive re-use of heritage places.

Heritage Ambassador

The Heritage Ambassador role is an excellent opportunity for the winner/s of the Heritage Council Award to become involved in promoting the value of historic places to the community while increasing their knowledge of significant WA heritage sites.

The role of ambassador is informal and assists the Heritage Council to promote the value of historic places to the community as well as the benefits of preservation and conservation of historical sites.

Ambassadors for 2005 were Ms Yvonne Geneve, Whale World in Albany and Ms Susan Graham.

Heritage Council Library

The Heritage Council library is an excellent community resource and consists of many conservation and management plans, heritage studies, thematic studies and numerous reference journals. The library is available to the public by appointment one day per week.

Joint Programs

Productivity Commission Inquiry into the Policy Framework and Incentives for the Conservation of Australia's Historic Heritage Places

The Heritage Council of Western Australia contributed to a Productivity Commission Inquiry into the conservation of Australia's historic built heritage. The terms of the inquiry focus on the economic benefits and costs of conserving and managing heritage places as well as the social and environmental benefits and costs of historic places to all Australians. It is anticipated that the final report will be available in April 2006.

Revolving Funds

The *Revolving Funds* paper was prepared by a taskforce of national and state heritage agencies to examine incentives and other policy tools that might be appropriate to promote heritage conservation. This paper compares how revolving funds operate for both historic and nature conservation and considers the establishment issues associated with the funds. The Heritage Council took a lead role in the paper's development.

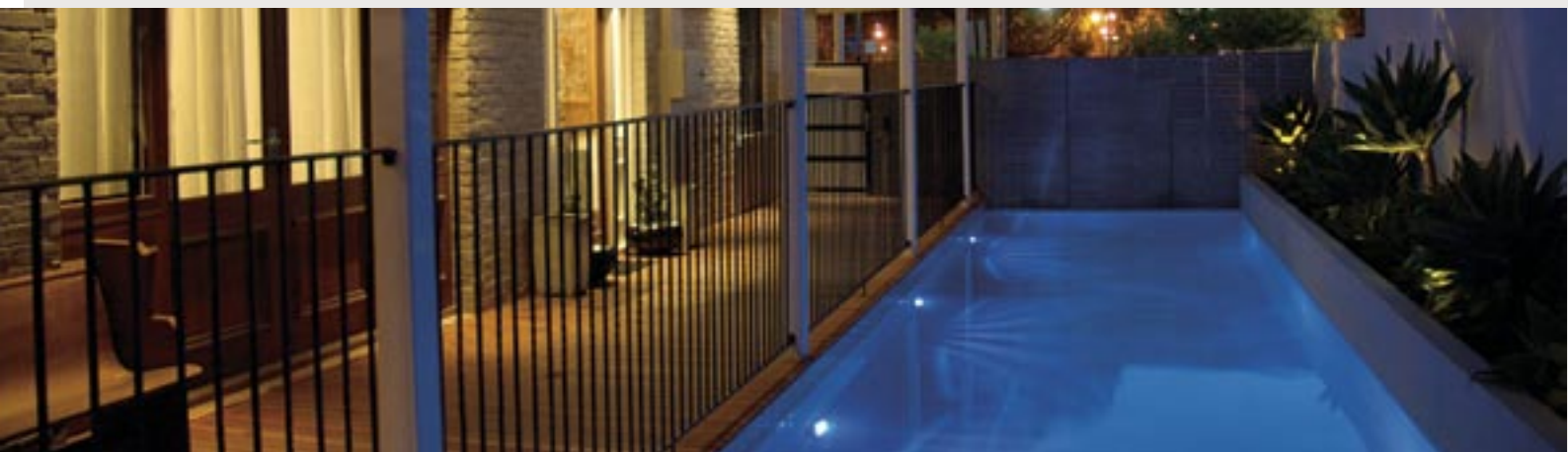
Heritage Tourism Strategy

Building on the research program undertaken in 2003/04, the draft Heritage Tourism Strategy and an accompanying background paper were released for public comment during the year.

More than 200 stakeholders were engaged during the consultation process, with members of the community providing comment on the draft strategy, or participating in a series of workshops. The final strategy will be completed in 2005/06, and will incorporate community feedback.

Adoption of the Heritage Tourism Strategy will complement the Government's policies on sustainability, state and regional development, tourism and heritage.

Better Planning, Better Services



156-158 Aberdeen Street, Northbridge

During 2004/05, the Heritage Council worked progressively towards meeting the strategic directions set for the WA public sector in the State Government's *Better Planning: Better Services – A Strategic Framework for the Western Australia Public Sector*.

The Heritage Council's contributions to outcomes under the framework's five strategic goals of People and Communities, The Economy, The Environment, The Regions and Governance are detailed throughout this report in the Report on Operations. Obligatory reporting requirements are met in the Compliance Report (page 32) of this report.

Key contributions to the strategic goals include:

Goal 1: People and Communities

- Improvements to the Heritage Council's website and publications to facilitate better access to information on our services for people with disabilities.
- Provision of advice to owners and developers on universal access to heritage buildings, including publication of specialist disability services consultants for heritage conservation work.
- Ensuring places of diverse religious and cultural significance are recognised in the State Register, as part of a detailed review of registered places undertaken during 2004/05.

Goal 2: The Economy

- Through the development of a State Heritage Tourism Strategy, identification of the economic benefits of heritage tourism to the State.
- Contribution to a Productivity Commission Inquiry into economic, social and environmental benefits of conserving Australia's historic built environment and the costs of conserving and managing heritage places.

Goal 3: The Environment

- Contribution to a national *Revolving Funds* paper examining incentives and other policy tools to promote heritage conservation. The paper compares how revolving funds operate for both historic and nature conservation.
- Encouraging sustainability through the adaptive re-use of heritage buildings.

Goal 4: The Regions

- Provision of a Regional Heritage Advisory Service for owners, local governments and community groups, servicing 77 local governments in the Mid West, Wheatbelt, Goldfields, Kalgoorlie-Boulder, South West, Peel, Great Southern and Albany regions.
- Assisting owners with conservation of heritage places, with 69% of Heritage Grants Program 2004/05 funding being allocated to regional areas.

Goal 5: Governance

- Improving to the Heritage Council's accountability to Western Australians with the introduction of a complaints management system, with information on the policy available on the Council's website.
- Making the assessment and registration process more transparent by removing the confidentiality of individuals and organisations nominating places for consideration for entry in the State Register, unless exceptional circumstances are demonstrated.

Report on Operations

– Program Areas



Former Congregational Church, Claremont

Government Goal: To ensure that Western Australia has an environment in which resources are managed, developed and used sustainably, biological diversity is preserved and habitats protected.

The Heritage Council has five program areas with key objectives through which the requirements of the Heritage Act are met. A corporate service unit assists in the delivery of those five areas.

Outcomes: Conservation of cultural heritage places in Western Australia for the benefit of present and future generations.

Service: Cultural heritage conservation services.

	Program Area	Key objective
1	Assessment and Registration	To establish and maintain a comprehensive Register of Heritage Places.
2	Government Heritage Services	To develop the role of local government and State government agencies in the conservation and management of heritage places and provide conservation advice to the Minister.
3	Development Referrals and Conservation Advice	To promote and facilitate appropriate conservation, management and development of places of cultural heritage significance.
4	Conservation Incentives for Property Owners	To provide financial assistance and other incentives for conservation projects.
5	Education and Promotion	To promote awareness and understanding of the cultural heritage of Western Australia.
6	Corporate Management (Finance, Administration and Human Resources)	To provide essential services and support for the Heritage Council and to ensure that the Council complies with accountability and statutory reporting responsibilities.

Program Area One: Assessment and Registration

Key Objective: To establish and maintain a comprehensive Register of Heritage Places (State Register).

2004/05 Key Achievements

- Completed 80 assessments.
- Entered 77 places in the State Register on an interim basis (**Appendix A**).
- Registered three heritage precincts.

Assessment and Registration Program 2004/05

There were 1,113 places listed in the State Register at 30 June 2005.

A detailed review of the Assessment and Registration Program was undertaken from November 2004 through to April 2005. The outcomes of the review included:

- An analysis of the comprehensiveness of the State Register from 1991 to 2004 resulting in the identification of shortcomings across regions, themes, eras and architectural style.
- The introduction of changes to consultation with stakeholders prior and during the assessment and registration process.

During the review period, the planned assessment program ceased with only urgent assessments being undertaken for places under immediate threat. The number of places to be assessed in 2004/05 was correspondingly reduced from 100 to 80 places and this revised target was met. Information relating to places assessed and registered in 2004/05 can be found in **Figure One** (*below*).

Figure One: Assessments and registrations 2002/03 to 2004/05

	2002/03	2003/04	2004/05 Actual	2004/05 Target
Places assessed	146	163	80	80
Places registered (interim)	75	88	77	77
Places registered (permanent)	81	87	80	80
Total registered 30 June	954	1,041	1,113 #	1,113
Places Minister made a decision (interim)	8%	8%	9%	
Places Minister made a decision (permanent)	7.5%	7.5%	11%	
Places being considered by Minister at 30 June (interim)	21	21	15	
Places being considered by Minister at 30 June (permanent)	3	1	3	
Assessments from Conservation Plans/ Conservation Study	26	26	12	
Assessments from GHPDP*	25	25	10	
Assessments commissioned	92	92	59	
Assessments below threshold	24	24	12	
Assessments in-house	5	5	1	

Five places were removed from the State Register during the year

* Government Heritage Property Disposal Process

Amendments to registration

Amendments were made to three registered places in 2004/05. The amendments related to the size of the registered area.

Name	Address	Interim	Permanent	Amend	Action
Nulsen Haven	458-464 Great Eastern Hwy, Redcliffe	3/7/92	29/11/96	23/7/04	Reduced curtilage
Church of Our Lady of Mount Carmel & Holy Apostles St. Peter & St. Paul, & Priest	Cnr Bowes & Doney Sts, Mullewa	25/11/94	10/10/95	10/6/05	Increased curtilage
Houses at 51-53 Goderich Street	51-53 Goderich St, East Perth	7/2/97	12/12/97	23/7/04	Reduced curtilage

Places removed from the State Register

Five places were removed from the State Register during the year.

Name	Address	Interim	Permanent	Removed	Reason
The Cliffe	25 Bindaring Pde, Peppermint Grove	10/10/95	27/2/04	6/7/04	Legal advice
Court Hotel	50 Beaufort St, Perth	14/7/03		27/7/04	Following advice from the Development Committee
Druid's Hall (fmr)	65 Durlacher St, Cnr Sanford St, Geraldton	19/3/04		24/3/05	Ministerial direction 24/3/05
Two Residences	30-36 James St, Northbridge	14/7/03		27/7/04	Following advice from the Development Committee
Brockman's Bridge	Cundinup-Dudinalup Rd, North Nannup	15/8/03		10/6/05	Following advice from the Development Committee

Accelerated Assessment and Registration Program

A three year Accelerated Assessment and Registration Program was initiated in August 2002 to manage the growth in the number of places nominated to the Heritage Council for possible entry in the State Register. The program aimed to provide owners with a higher degree of certainty regarding registration.

The program involved a preliminary review of nominated places to determine whether further assessment was required. In 2004/05, 235 preliminary reviews were undertaken, bringing the total to 1,305 in the three year period. Of these, 683 places were not considered to warrant further assessment. A further 241 places will be assessed as part of 72 historic precincts or groups, rather than as individual places. The program identified 602 individual place assessments to be commissioned, of these 135 full assessments have been completed.

Historic precincts

There are 28 historic precincts listed in the State Register. In 2004/05, five precincts were added to the State Register on an interim basis – Menzies Railway Station Precinct, Old Onslow Townsite, Swanleigh Precinct, Wyalkatchem Railway and Cooperative Bulk Handling (CBH) Precinct and Cottesloe Beach Precinct.

Conservation Orders

Four Stop Work Orders and two Conservation Orders, ongoing, were issued by the Minister for Heritage during 2004/05.

Stop Work Orders

Name	Address	Start	End
The Cliffe	25 Bindaring Pde, Peppermint Grove	7/7/04	18/8/04
House	27 The Esplanade, South Perth	21/4/05	1/6/05
Imperial Hotel	83 Avon Tce, Cnr Joaquina St, York	19/5/05	30/6/05
Rustic Timber Cabin	97 Peet Rd, Roleystone	17/1/05	16/2/05

Conservation Orders, ongoing

Name	Address	Start	Status
The Cliffe	25 Bindaring Pde, Peppermint Grove	20/8/04	Current
Imperial Hotel	83 Avon Tce, Cnr Joaquina St, York	28/6/05	Current

Legal challenges to registration

During the year the Heritage Council has been working with the State Solicitor's Office to defend a Writ made in December 2004 challenging the registration of The Cliffe in Peppermint Grove.

Heritage Agreements

A Heritage Agreement is a legally binding contract which ensures the long-term conservation of a place. There are currently 58 Heritage Agreements in place, with three new Heritage Agreements reached in 2004/05 for Ocean View in Beaconsfield, Heathcote Hospital in Applecross and the Old Burswood Canal in Burswood. Negotiations for a number of Heritage Agreements commenced with owners or occupiers in the latter half of 2004/05, these are expected to be finalised in the early part of 2005/06.

Future Direction

- Complete 50 assessments of places for possible entry in the State Register.
- Complete the review of places on the backlog by December 2005.
- Register 50 places on an interim basis.

Program Area Two:

Government Heritage Services

Key Objective: To develop the role of local government and State Government agencies in the conservation and management of heritage places and provide conservation advice to the Minister.

2004/05 Key Achievements

- Supported the completion of the work of the Local Government Heritage Party.
- Completed a draft Heritage Tourism Strategy for WA.
- Increased the Regional Heritage Advisory Service by eight hours per month in the Mid West and maintained the remaining services at current levels.

Managing our Heritage

The Heritage Council provides information and support services to local and State Government and national bodies.

As the owner of much of the State's heritage, State Government agencies play an important role in heritage conservation. The Heritage Council provides advice to State Government agencies in relation to the disposal of heritage buildings to ensure that places are properly conserved and managed.

The Heritage Council actively provides advice to local governments about Local Government Inventory (or Municipal Inventory) reviews, town planning scheme reviews and other planning matters.

Other initiatives to promote heritage at a local level include the Regional Heritage Advisory Service and the development of a Heritage Tourism Strategy.

Local Government Heritage Working Party

The second and final stage in the work of this group was completed in April 2005, with the findings delivered to the Minister for Heritage in April 2005.

The findings included detailed recommendations about improving the extent to which a set of 'common standards' in heritage protection is employed by local governments, as well as common assessment criteria and planning policies at the local and state levels. Recommendations were also made about how local and State Government could cooperate in providing heritage related services such as provision of grants.

Heritage Tourism Strategy

The draft Heritage Tourism Strategy and an accompanying background paper were released for public comment during the year. More than 200 stakeholders were engaged during the consultation process, with members of the community providing comment on the draft strategy, or participating in a series of seminars.

The draft strategy was developed by the Heritage Council and Tourism Western Australia, with assistance from the Heritage Tourism Partnership Group. Agencies represented on this group included: the National Trust, Department of Local Government and Regional Development, Department of Culture and the Arts, WA Local Government Association, City of Albany, Peel Regional Development Commission, WA Maritime Museum, WA Indigenous Tourism Operators Committee, Forum Advocating Cultural and Eco-Tourism and Curtin University.

With support from a Western Australian Regional Investment Scheme (WARIS) grant, two studies on the economic and social value of heritage tourism were undertaken in 2004/05. They were:

- A Heritage Tourism Thematic Assessment study identifying key heritage and historic themes with the greatest tourism potential for Western Australia.
- A Heritage Tourism Economic Value study measuring and confirming the economic importance of heritage tourism at three selected heritage destinations in Western Australia (Albany, Fremantle and New Norcia).

A final strategy, reflecting these reports and public comments, will be completed in 2005/06. Adoption of the Heritage Tourism Strategy will complement the State Government's policies on sustainability, state and regional development, tourism and heritage.

Regional Heritage Advisory Service

The Heritage Council's Regional Heritage Advisory Service contributes significantly to the conservation of the State's built environment and the future planning of regional communities.

The service is directly involved in the development of built environments in regional communities where often the restoration of historic buildings leads to local employment opportunities, economic diversification and the development of heritage tourism opportunities.

Five heritage advisers cover the Mid West, Wheatbelt, Goldfields, Kalgoorlie-Boulder, South West, Peel, Great Southern and Albany and service 77 local governments throughout Western Australia.

During 2004/05, a further eight hours per month was achieved for the Mid West region. The service also achieved recognition as a Year of the Built Environment Exemplar as part of a national award program.

State Government Owned Heritage Disposal Process

Under the Government Heritage Property Disposal Process (GHPDP), disposal includes the demolition, sale, transfer or lease of a property outside of the State Government sector (the transfer or lease must be for at least 10 years).

Where State Government owned properties that are more than 60 years old, are listed on an existing heritage list or display other evidence of potential significance, the agency is required to notify the Heritage Council of the proposed disposal at least four months beforehand. The process ensures that properties under consideration for disposal are assessed for heritage value and that relevant protection is provided where appropriate.

Ten assessments were undertaken as a result of GHPDP referrals in 2004/05.

National Heritage

Productivity Commission Inquiry

The Commonwealth Government's Productivity Commission commenced a nationwide inquiry into Australia's historic heritage in April 2005.

The Commission will report on the economic, social and environmental benefits and costs of conserving Australia's historic heritage. The inquiry will examine the public policy framework, the impacts of regulatory, taxation and institutional arrangements and key social issues or trends that are impacting on heritage.

The Heritage Council made a submission to the inquiry and was involved in the development of a joint submission by the Australian Heritage Chairs and Officials forum.

National Heritage List

Since the introduction of a new Commonwealth heritage system in January 2004, the Heritage Council has provided comment on Western Australian places nominated for the National Heritage List. New State coordination arrangements have been developed by the Office of Federal Affairs, Premier and Cabinet, to ensure the WA Government response on National Heritage List is consistent and streamlined. This involves representation on an Inter Departmental Committee.

Ministerial Support

The Heritage Council received and completed 214 requests for briefing notes and draft responses from the Minister for Heritage during the year.

Future Direction

- Assist the Department of Planning and Infrastructure to adopt a State Planning Policy on Heritage.
- Implement the findings of the Heritage Working Party following a consultation period, including publication of agreed common standards in a revised practice manual.
- Support the adoption of the final Heritage Tourism Strategy and progress related research and pilot projects.
- Assist the Minister in the development of new legislation to replace the outmoded *Heritage Act of Western Australia Act 1990*.
- Maintain or increase the level of the Regional Heritage Advisory Service.

Program Area Three: Development Referrals and Conservation Advice

Key Objective: To promote and facilitate appropriate conservation, management and development of places of cultural heritage significance.

2004/05 Key Achievements

- Provided advice on 845 Development Referrals, nearly 79% of which related to places included in the State Register.
- Established an additional permanent position for a Conservation Officer-Development.
- Provided detailed conservation advice on major development projects including: CBD Courts Project; the South West Metropolitan Rail Project; Caves House, Yallingup; the East Perth Power Station site; Kalgoorlie & Boulder Town Halls; and the Newspaper House group of buildings in central Perth.

Conserving our Heritage

The Heritage Council provides advice to local governments and other decision-making authorities on changes or development to state registered places, prior to works being undertaken. Advice can also be sought in relation to the development of non-registered places, but in this case the Heritage Council's advice is not binding.

The Heritage Council supports practical changes and new compatible uses. The Council's role is to sensitively manage change and ensure that any proposed changes do not have an adverse impact on the values that contribute to the cultural heritage significance of the place.

Advice on development referrals is provided by the Heritage Council's Development Committee and Conservation Officers under delegated authority to the Director from the Development Committee.

2004/05 Development Referrals

The processing of development referrals received in 2004/05 is summarised in **Figure Two** (*next page*). A notable trend is the increase in the number and complexity of development referrals as the size of the State Register increases.

There was an increase of nine per cent in the number of development referrals received in 2004/05 compared with the previous year. The proportion of development referrals received for registered places remained at 79%, although statutory referrals received from decision-making authorities in accordance with Section 11 & 78 of the Heritage Act increased by about 12%.

A large number of referrals (about 85%) were considered by conservation officers under delegated authority to the director from the Development Committee. The remaining 15% were considered either by the Development Committee or the full Heritage Council.

Figure Two - Development referrals 2003/04 to 2004/05.

	2003/04	2004/05	2004/05 %
Referrals Considered	775	845	100
Referrals Considered – Registered Places	615	664	79
Referrals Considered – Non Registered Places	160	181	21
Referrals Considered – Metropolitan Area	510	527	62
Referrals Considered – Regional Areas	265	318	38
Referrals processed under 30 days	514	514	61
Referrals processed over 30 days	261	331	39
Referrals received under Section 11 and 78 of the Heritage Act relating to Registered Places	386	519	61
Other Referrals	389	326	39
Recommendations made by Development Committee (or HCWA)	188	127	15
Recommendations made under Delegated Authority to the Director	587	718	85

Number of referrals	Year
696	2002/03
775	2003/04
845	2004/05

Future Direction

- Assess an estimated 860 development referrals in a timely and cost effective manner.
- Continue to engage persons with broad commercial and practical experience to assist with the provision of advice on specific heritage related development issues.

Program Area Four: Conservation Incentives for Property Owners

Key Objective: To provide financial assistance and other incentives for conservation projects.

2004/05 Achievements

- Allocated more than \$1 million to 40 approved conservation projects through the 2004/05 Heritage Grants Program and maintained funding for the 2005/06 Heritage Grants Program at the increased total of \$1 million.
- In conjunction with the Western Australian Local Government Association (WALGA), administered the Heritage Loan Scheme, which attracted 24 applications during the second year of the scheme.
- Announced Conservation Incentive Program funding of \$1.85 million to St George's Cathedral, Perth.
- In addition, acquitted \$95,642 in Government Policy Commitment reimbursements and \$10,000 in Conservation Incentive Program reimbursements.

Conservation Incentives

Funding for heritage conservation is available from sources including the Heritage Council and Lotterywest. Owners of registered places are given preference when applying for heritage funding.

In 2004/05 the Heritage Council, in conjunction with WALGA and StateWest Credit Society, administered the Heritage Loan Scheme. The concessional loan scheme provides low interest loans for eligible owners of heritage places undertaking conservation works.

2004/05 Heritage Grants Program

The Heritage Grants Program aims to encourage private owners to conserve built places of cultural heritage significance. Funds are primarily provided for conservation works and the development of conservation plans.

In 2004/05, the Heritage Council allocated \$1,014,200 to 40 approved conservation projects. Applications for the 2005/06 Heritage Grants Program closed on 27 May 2005. During the year, \$505,448 in Heritage Grants Program funds were acquitted for projects in progress or completed.

A full list of grants allocated in 2004/05 can be found at **Appendix B**. Places selected by the Heritage Council for conservation funding through the Lotterywest grant program are listed in **Appendix C**.

Heritage Loan Scheme

More than 5,000 owners of heritage places have access to discounted loans for conservation works under the scheme. The State Government has provided \$200,000 to the scheme to date and will contribute a further \$35,000 per annum over the next two years.

Owners of places within participating local government areas that are listed in a Local Government Inventory, State Register of Heritage Places, Commonwealth Government's Register of the National Estate or National Trust's List of Classified Places are eligible to apply.

In 2004/05, the Shire of Toodyay joined the scheme, with 19 other participating local governments: Bassendean, Broomehill, Claremont, Coolgardie, Cottesloe, Cue, Donnybrook-Balingup, East Fremantle, Fremantle, Gingin, Greenough, Katanning, Murchison, Nedlands, Sandstone, Subiaco, Swan, Vincent and Woodanilling.

During the second year of the scheme, 24 applications were received. At 30 June 2005, nine loans had been established totalling \$118,212. Five projects valued at \$52,700 were completed during 2004/05.

Future Direction

- Allocate funding to approved projects through the 2005/06 Heritage Grants Program.
- Manage the grants allocated under the previous rounds of the Heritage Grants Program.
- Open the 2006/07 round of the Heritage Grants Program.
- Together with WALGA, assist in the management of the Heritage Loan Scheme.

Program Area Five:

Education and Promotion

Key Objective: To promote awareness and understanding of the cultural heritage of Western Australia.

2004/05 Key Achievements

- Participated in Year of the Built Environment initiatives in the State's 175th Anniversary, including WA on Show, and launched the *Main Streets, Then and Now* photographic exhibition.
- Produced five editions of the *Heritage Update* newsletters and two editions of the *Heritage Matters* magazine.
- Responded to 162 media enquiries and achieved 98 articles in the media.

Communicating with our Stakeholders

Two of the primary functions of the Heritage Council are to increase awareness among stakeholders and raise the profile of heritage within the Western Australian community. This is achieved through:

- Providing information on processes of registration and development and the implications of heritage listing.
- Promoting awareness of the importance and value of heritage to the wider community.
- Providing strategic communication advice and support to the Heritage Council.

Community Consultation

Consultation to encourage a better understanding of the purpose of registration and processes associated with the registration and development of places and precincts is an important element of the Council's interaction with owners.

Liaison took place with owners in the Ord and Bateman Street precinct as part of the process of considering the precinct for permanent registration. Information sheets answering frequently asked questions and a *Precincts in Western Australia* brochure were developed for owners. The Heritage Council also attended community meetings to discuss issues associated with registration and future development. The size of the precinct was amended in response to community feedback.

Media

This year, 162 media enquires were received and responded to. Of 69 media releases prepared throughout the year, 98 media articles reached the community. Sixty-one of these media articles were achieved between April and June 2005, reflecting new practices in distribution of media releases.

Publications

Development of new and revised publications ensured that the community and stakeholders received the most current information on heritage issues and the operations of the Heritage Council. This included the development of a Directory of Heritage Consultants and the introduction of an annual revision process.

A list of publications produced during 2004/05 is provided at **Appendix D**.

Outreach

Heritage Council staff and Councillors made numerous presentations on heritage and implications of registration to groups including Rotary International, the Department of Planning and Infrastructure and the Real Estate Institute of WA (Western Suburbs branch).

Events

The Heritage Council participated in key initiatives celebrating the Year of the Built Environment and the State's 175th Anniversary, including the WA on Show exhibition.

A number of special announcements were also made during the year including the registration of Blackboy Hill in Mundaring on ANZAC Day and a \$1.85 million grant to St George's Cathedral in Perth.

Architecture Week, October 2004

A photographic exhibition of streetscapes and buildings was launched entitled, *Main Streets, Then and Now*. The exhibition was housed in the QV1 Building, St George's Terrace Perth. The exhibition highlighted the value and contribution of heritage places to Western Australia's built environment.

Heritage Planning and Management Seminar

An introductory two day course for local government councillors, planners and heritage officers was held in August 2004 and attended by 25 local government representatives. The Heritage Planning and Management seminar aims to provide a forum for discussion of heritage issues.

His Majesty's Theatre Centenary

Together with the His Majesty's Theatre, the centenary of the official opening of the Theatre in 1904 was celebrated. A plaque marking the original stage door of the His Majesty's Theatre was unveiled on 24 December 2004 by Hon Sheila McHale MLA, Minister for Culture and the Arts and former Chairman Patric de Villiers.

Fremantle Heritage Festival Conference

The Heritage Council participated as a Conference Partner in the Fremantle Heritage Conference, *Fremantle Heritage: A Matter of Interpretation*. The one day conference was aimed at the local community level and was held on 3 June 2005 as part of the Fremantle Heritage Festival organised by the City of Fremantle.

Awards & Sponsorship

Heritage Council Award 2005

The Heritage Council Award 2005 recognised the contribution of individuals and organisations to the conservation and interpretation of Western Australia's cultural heritage. The award attracted 27 nominations and was announced on 24 June 2005. Whale World in Albany received the organisation award, while Ms Yvonne Geneve was recognised as the individual award winner for her work with the Art Deco Society over a period of 25 years. Ms Susan Graham of Carnarvon received a commendation in the individual award. All three became 'Heritage Ambassadors' for the next 12 months.

Heritage Council Conservation Award - RAlA Architecture Awards

The Heritage Council continued its sponsorship of the Royal Australian Institute of Architects Architecture Awards for 2005. The winners of the Heritage Council Conservation Award were Cox Howlett + Bailey Woodland Architects and Planners, and Hocking Planning and Architecture for Perth Town Hall Refurbishment and Mulloway Studio for the Number 1 Pump Station at Mundaring Weir. Commendations went to Philip McAllister Architects Pty Ltd for the Sacred Heart School and Convent Redevelopment in Highgate, Palassis Architects for the Greenough Cafe and Visitor Information Centre and Considine & Griffiths Architects for the Government House Ballroom.

Working with stakeholders

Improving opportunities for joint activities and shared communication between the Heritage Council and key stakeholder organisations such as the National Trust and Real Estate Institute of WA was an important priority for 2004/05.

The Heritage Council actively worked with the National Trust on projects such as the Cinema City media campaign, Fremantle Heritage Festival and WA on Show and cross promotional opportunities were sought. A brochure outlining the role of various heritage agencies and available assistance was developed in 2004/05 and will be published in the second half of 2005.

A brochure aimed at real estate agents was also initiated in 2004/05 in consultation with the Real Estate Institute of WA.

Future Direction

- Further develop joint communication activities with key stakeholders including the Real Estate Institute of WA and National Trust of Australia (WA).
- Continue development of key publications and the website.
- Continue community consultation programs for registration of certain places and precincts in 2005/06.

Program Area Six:

Corporate Management

Key Objective: To provide essential services and support for the Heritage Council and to ensure that the Council complies with accountability and statutory reporting responsibilities.

Financial Management

Internal Audit

As required under Section 55(f) of the *Financial Administration and Audit Act 1985* the internal audit of the Heritage Council was performed in 2004/05 by Stanton Partners. The Internal Audit Report determined the quality of management control to be very good and the overall risk exposure of the Heritage Council to be low.

External Audit – Office of the Auditor General

For 2004/05 and out years the service appropriation to the Heritage Council has been increased to allow payment to the Office of the Auditor General for audit services, where previously the charge was notional. The cost for the 2004/05 audit is expected to be paid in 2005/06 and is estimated by the Auditor General to cost the Heritage Council \$12,500.

Financial Management Forums

The Heritage Council attended the Department of Treasury and Finance financial management forums throughout the year to ensure its budget reporting requirements were up to date and to keep abreast of any impact the adoption of International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) may have on the financial statements of the Heritage Council.

Principal Accounting Officers' Forum

The Principal Accounting Officers' Forum continued to provide the Heritage Council with direction and strategies for earlier financial reporting and expectations on adoption of international financial reporting standards.

Complaints Handling

As part of a whole-of-government complaints management strategy, a complaints management system that conforms to the relevant Australian Standard was implemented. The complaints policy is available on the Heritage Council website. No complaints were received in 2004/05.

Risk Management

Major risk management issues addressed during the year include: structural and maintenance work on the wooden verandahs to ensure their safety and replacement of old electrical systems, power boxes and all light fittings.

Functional Review Implementation Team

The Heritage Council has been involved with the Functional Review Implementation Team since inception in the implementation of corporate service reform across the whole of government for finance, procurement and human resource processes. To 30 June 2005, the Department of Environment provided human resource services required by the Heritage Council.

Information Technology

As well as improvements to the Heritage Council's Information Technology infrastructure, work continued on improving the layout and accessibility of the Heritage Council's website.

Access to the Heritage Council's web based *Places Database* increased during the year, with about 73 people accessing the *Places Database* per day. The database is regularly updated with information on more than 17,000 places in Western Australia, including state registered sites.

Further improvements to the Heritage Inventory Software were made. The PC based database allows local governments to efficiently record and manage their Local Government Inventories. A demonstration version of the software and accompanying documentation is freely available for download from the Heritage Council website.

Human Resource Management

Employing Authority

To 30 June 2005 all Heritage Council staff were employed under the *Public Sector Management Act 1994*, through the employing authority of the Department of Environment. As of 1 July 2005, the employing authority status moved to the Department of Housing and Works.

Staff profile – at 30 June 2005

	2003/04	2004/05
Full-time equivalents	25	26
Female staff	20	20
Male staff	5	6

Code of Conduct

The Heritage Council uses the Department of Environment's Code of Conduct for staff.

Industrial Relations

Heritage Council staff members are employed under:

- Public Service General Agreement 2004.

Staff Development

Professional development of Heritage Council staff is encouraged and supported through the staff performance management system. All new staff members are offered immediate computer training, as well as other internal and external training courses throughout the year.

During the year, 23 staff participated in a Challenging Conversations workshop facilitated by The Corporate Soul. The aim of the workshop was to improve staff verbal communication and listening skills.

Expenditure on training in 2004/05 was \$10,646.

Occupational Safety and Health

A new employee's representative was elected. No major occupational health and safety issues arose during the year, with one minor workers' compensation issue being finalised.

Public Sector Management Act

On behalf of the Heritage Council, the Department of Environment met the 2004/05 human resource reporting requirements under the Public Sector Management Act.

Compliance Report



Swanbourne Hospital Conservation Area, Mt Claremont

Responsible Minister

The Hon Francis Logan MLA, Minister for Housing and Works; Heritage; Assisting in Planning and Infrastructure.

Compliance with Legislation

Corporate Management takes active steps to ensure that the Heritage Council continues to comply with all relevant legislation and adopts appropriate measures to ensure there is no unnecessary risk exposure. This section ensures that staff members are aware and respond appropriately to any new compliance obligations.

Enabling Legislation

Heritage of Western Australia Act 1990

Legislation Administered

Heritage of Western Australia Act 1990

Legislation Impacting on the Heritage Council's Activities

In performing its functions, the Heritage Council complies with the following relevant written laws:

Disability Services Act 1993

Electoral Act 1907

Equal Opportunity Act 1984

Financial Administration and Audit Act 1985

Freedom of Information Act 1992

Government Employees' Superannuation Act 1987

Industrial Relations Act 1979

Public Sector Management Act 1994

Salaries and Allowances Act 1984

State Supply Commission Act 1991

Workers' Compensation and Assistance Act 1981

State Records Commission Act 2000

Occupational Safety and Health Act 1984

Corruption and Crime Commission Act 2003

Public Disclosures Act 2003

The Acts Amendment (Heritage Council) Act 1990 impacts on:

Parliamentary Commissioner Act 1971

Local Government Act 1995

Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1960

Town Planning and Development Act (as amended) 1928

Metropolitan Region Town Planning Scheme Act 1959 (as amended)

Strata Titles Act 1985 (as amended)

Planning Legislation Amendment Act 1996

In the financial administration of the Heritage Council, we have complied with the requirements of the *Financial Administration and Audit Act 1985* and every other relevant written law and have exercised controls which provide reasonable assurance that the receipt, expenditure and investment of moneys, the acquisition and disposal of public property and incurring of liabilities have been in accordance with legislative provisions.

We are not aware of any circumstances which would render the particulars included in this statement misleading or inaccurate.

Obligatory Reporting Requirements:

Disability Services

The Department of Housing and Works, as landlord and tenant, is continuing the review of disability access to the Heritage Council offices, 108 Adelaide Terrace, East Perth.

Cultural Diversity and Language Services

The Heritage Council adopted a language services policy and guidelines for when qualified interpreters should be engaged. No translation or interpretive services were required during 2004/05.

Youth Outcomes

The Heritage Council actively supports the participation, employment and training of youth. In 2004/05, one full time employee of the Heritage Council was under the age of 25. Additionally, two work experience placements were undertaken at the Heritage Council for students at a secondary and tertiary level.

In support of the National Trust's educational role, a presentation on Western Australia's cultural heritage was developed during the year aimed at students of a primary school level. One visit was undertaken to Greenwood Primary School.

Waste Paper Recycling

Heritage Council staff members are actively encouraged to recycle paper. A bulk-recycling bin is available and Paper Recycling Industries collect waste paper on a regular basis.

Energy Smart

During the year, a staff awareness program was undertaken advising staff of energy saving measures to be utilised within the agency. This included government electrical demand management, where specific measures are to be undertaken to reduce peak electrical demand.

The Heritage Council was required to take appropriate energy saving measures once during 2004/05 to comply with peak electrical demand. The upgrade of lighting to the Heritage Council also commenced in 2004/05 as an energy saving initiative.

The Department of Housing and Works is responsible for and monitors all energy consumption applicable to the Heritage Council.

Promoting regional development

The Heritage Council is committed to promoting and developing cultural diversity in the regions. This is achieved through the Council's government services, heritage incentives and registration program areas.

Evaluations

No evaluations were undertaken during the year.

Information Statement

The Heritage Council received seven requests for information under the *Freedom of Information Act 1992* during 2004/05. One application remained outstanding as at 30 June 2005. All other applications were completed by 30 June 2005, with the average processing time for applications being 37 days.

Applications received and granted related to the following:

Ord Street Precinct, Fremantle
Aldgate House, East Fremantle
97 Peet Road, Roleystone
Town of Claremont Municipal Inventory
352 West Coast Drive, Trigg

The Heritage Council also met its reporting requirements to the Information Commissioner in accordance with the *Freedom of Information Act 1992*. A list of Heritage Council publications available to the public can be found on the Heritage Council's website. Alternatively this list can be provided by post. Any Freedom of Information enquiries and requests can be made to:

FOI Coordinator
Heritage Council of WA
PO Box 6201
EAST PERTH WA 6792

Record Keeping

In accordance with the requirements of Section 19 of the *State Records Act 2000*, the Heritage Council's Recordkeeping Plan has been approved by the State Records Office. A training program on record keeping is included as part of the induction program for all new employees, to ensure their understanding and compliance in relation to the Recordkeeping Plan.

Advertising and Sponsorship

In compliance with section 175ZE of the *Electoral Act 1907*, the Heritage Council is required to report on expenditure incurred during 2004/05 in relation to advertising agencies, market research organisations, polling organisations, direct mail organisations and media advertising organisations.

Class of expenditure: Media advertising agencies	
Marketforce Productions:	
Statutory advertising	\$28,704
Vacant positions	\$ 3,079
Other	\$ 2,779
TOTAL	\$34,562

Sustainability

The Heritage Council presently contributes to sustainability objectives through its mission to conserve heritage places and areas, for the benefit of present and future generations.

In doing so, the Council's programs acknowledge the importance of economic as well as environmental goals by:

- Inclusion of economic development and tourism development within the role of the Council's Regional Heritage Advisory Service.
- Development of a State Heritage Tourism Strategy in partnership with Tourism WA and other stakeholders.
- Application of a 'feasible and prudent alternative' test in the Council's development assessment function.
- Support for and guidance of adaptive reuse of heritage buildings, through the Council's development assessment function.

Equal Employment Opportunity

The Heritage Council has adopted the Department of Environment's Equal Employment Opportunity Management Plan, which is a requirement of the *Equal Opportunity Act 1994*. The Department of Environment has also submitted the Heritage Council's yearly report required by Part IX of the Act to the Director of Equal Opportunity in Public Employment.

The report relates to the number of employees at 30 June 2005 and has been used to help monitor Heritage Council and State Government initiatives aimed at achieving a more diverse workforce within the Public Sector.

Human Resource Management Standards

During 2004/05 no breach claims against the Public Sector Standards in Human Resource Management were lodged under the Public Sector Management (Examination and Review Regulations) Procedures 2001.

Codes of Ethics and Codes of Conduct (Ethical Codes)

During 2004/05 no issues or potential issues arose where action needed to be taken for non-compliance with ethical codes.

Corruption Prevention

Internal reporting policies and procedures have been developed to prevent corruption and misconduct. Management policies and practices are also to be reviewed and developed further.

Public Interest Disclosures

The Council's Public Interest Disclosure Officer is the Director. Policy, procedures and guidelines for staff and informants have been developed. During the 2004/05 financial year, the Council did not receive any enquiries regarding Public Interest Disclosures.

Compliance with Public Sector Standards

In the administration of the Heritage Council of Western Australia, I have complied with the Public Sector Standards in Human Resource Management, the Western Australian Public Sector Code of Ethics and the Department of Environment's Code of Conduct.



Ian Baxter
Director (Principal Accounting Officer)
Heritage Council of Western Australia
31 August 2005

Certification of Performance Indicators for the year ended 30 June 2005



Tudor Street, Wagin

We hereby certify that the performance indicators are based on proper records, are relevant and appropriate for assisting users to assess the Heritage Council of Western Australia's performance and fairly represent the performance of the Heritage Council of Western Australia for the financial year ended 30 June 2005.

Gerald Gauntlett
Acting Chairman
Heritage Council of Western Australia
31 August 2005

Hon Ronald Davies
Councillor
Heritage Council of Western Australia
31 August 2005

Ian Baxter
Director (Principal Accounting Officer)
Heritage Council of Western Australia
31 August 2005



AUDITOR GENERAL

INDEPENDENT AUDIT OPINION

To the Parliament of Western Australia

HERITAGE COUNCIL OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA PERFORMANCE INDICATORS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2005

Audit Opinion

In my opinion, the key effectiveness and efficiency performance indicators of the Heritage Council of Western Australia are relevant and appropriate to help users assess the Council's performance and fairly represent the indicated performance for the year ended 30 June 2005.

Scope

The Council's Role

The Council is responsible for developing and maintaining proper records and systems for preparing performance indicators.

The performance indicators consist of key indicators of effectiveness and efficiency.

Summary of my Role

As required by the Financial Administration and Audit Act 1985, I have independently audited the performance indicators to express an opinion on them. This was done by looking at a sample of the evidence.

An audit does not guarantee that every amount and disclosure in the performance indicators is error free, nor does it examine all evidence and every transaction. However, my audit procedures should identify errors or omissions significant enough to adversely affect the decisions of users of the performance indicators.

D D R PEARSON
AUDITOR GENERAL
9 November 2005

Performance Indicators

Relationship to Government Goals

Broad, high-level government goals are supported at Heritage Council level by a more specific desired outcome. The Heritage Council delivers services to achieve the desired outcome, which ultimately contributes to meeting the higher-level government goals.

Government Goal

To ensure that Western Australia has an environment in which resources are managed, developed and used sustainably, biological diversity is preserved and habitats protected.

Desired Outcome

Conservation of cultural heritage places in Western Australia, for the benefit of present and future generations.

Key Effectiveness Indicators

	2005 Target	2005 Actual
The extent to which the Register is representative of the State's Heritage Completion index (i)	68%	67%
The extent to which registered places are conserved – extent to which registered places are not demolished (ii)	99%	99.9%

Service

1. Cultural Heritage Conservation Services

Establish and maintain a comprehensive Heritage Register; provide conservation advice on development referrals and other relevant matters; develop the role of public authorities in conserving and managing heritage places; provide financial assistance and other conservation incentives; and, provide publications, seminars and other professional activities.

Key Performance Indicator Notes (i)

- The “Completion Index” is measured against a benchmark completion figure equal to the number of places evaluated by the Council as being significant enough to warrant consideration to the Register, taking account of the Council's comprehensive database of heritage places identified in Western Australia from all sources, including all places in Municipal Inventories. The benchmark figure is 1,665 places as at 30 June 2005.
- The indicator is relevant to the Outcome in demonstrating the extent to which the full range of the State's cultural heritage is represented in the Register, without major “biases” towards particular regions or types of places.
- “Completion” in the Register is a long-term goal. The Council's aim is to progressively bridge the gap between the current 67% and 100%, although the latter figure will never be reached, given that the State's heritage is continually evolving.
- The figure has improved from the 58% reported in 2003/04 due to (a) the number of places added to the Register in 2004/05, and (b) the benchmark figure being reduced marginally in the 12 months as a result of a backlog review project (from 1,788 to 1,665).

Key Performance Indicator Notes (ii)

- The information is derived from the Heritage Council's Referrals database, which records all heritage related developments referrals received by the Council.
- One registered place was demolished in 2004/05 – the Mitchell's Building in William Street, Perth. The façade was conserved and relocated and will be returned to its original site at some future time.
- The indicator is relevant to the Outcome in demonstrating the extent to which the Register provides protection to places entered in it.

Key Efficiency Indicators

	2005 Target	2005 Actual	Reasons for Significant Variances
Average cost of place assessments	\$9,101	\$6,129	Resources transferred to review nominations.
Average cost of maintaining Heritage Register	\$515	\$454	-
Average cost of development referrals	\$367	\$381	-
Average cost of grants/incentives administered	\$3,225	\$1,867	Increase in number of grants administered.

Certification of Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2005



Stirling Gardens, Perth

The accompanying financial statements of the Heritage Council of Western Australia have been prepared in compliance with the provisions of the *Financial Administration and Audit Act 1985* from proper accounts and records to present fairly the financial transactions for the financial year ending 30 June 2005 and the financial position as at 30 June 2005. At the date of signing we are not aware of any circumstances which would render any particulars included in the financial statements misleading or inaccurate.

Gerald Gauntlett
Acting Chairman
Heritage Council of Western Australia
31 August 2005

Hon Ronald Davies
Councillor
Heritage Council of Western Australia
31 August 2005

Ian Baxter
Director (Principal Accounting Officer)
Heritage Council of Western Australia
31 August 2005



AUDITOR GENERAL

INDEPENDENT AUDIT OPINION

To the Parliament of Western Australia

HERITAGE COUNCIL OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2005

Audit Opinion

In my opinion,

- (i) the controls exercised by the Heritage Council of Western Australia provide reasonable assurance that the receipt, expenditure and investment of moneys, the acquisition and disposal of property, and the incurring of liabilities have been in accordance with legislative provisions; and
- (ii) the financial statements are based on proper accounts and present fairly in accordance with applicable Accounting Standards and other mandatory professional reporting requirements in Australia and the Treasurer's Instructions, the financial position of the Council at 30 June 2005 and its financial performance and cash flows for the year ended on that date.

Scope

The Council's Role

The Council is responsible for keeping proper accounts and maintaining adequate systems of internal control, preparing the financial statements, and complying with the Financial Administration and Audit Act 1985 (the Act) and other relevant written law.

The financial statements consist of the Statement of Financial Performance, Statement of Financial Position, Statement of Cash Flows and the Notes to the Financial Statements.

Summary of my Role

As required by the Act, I have independently audited the accounts and financial statements to express an opinion on the controls and financial statements. This was done by looking at a sample of the evidence.

An audit does not guarantee that every amount and disclosure in the financial statements is error free. The term "reasonable assurance" recognises that an audit does not examine all evidence and every transaction. However, my audit procedures should identify errors or omissions significant enough to adversely affect the decisions of users of the financial statements.

D D R PEARSON
AUDITOR GENERAL
9 November 2005

Statement of Financial Performance

for the year ended 30 June 2005

	Note	2004/05 \$	2003/04 \$
COST OF SERVICES			
Expenses from ordinary activities			
Employee expenses	2	1,873,805	1,652,322
Supplies and services (a)	3	1,252,142	1,418,979
Accommodation expenses	4	128,396	119,551
Grants and subsidies	5	3,000,400	322,571
Depreciation expense	6	56,580	58,565
Cost of disposal of non-current assets	7	2,108	2,676
Total cost of services		6,313,431	3,574,664
Revenues from ordinary activities			
Revenue from operating activities			
User charges	8	378	814
Revenue from non-operating activities			
Other revenue from ordinary activities	9	214,445	59,576
Proceeds from disposal of non-current assets		-	391
Total revenues from ordinary activities		214,823	60,781
NET COST OF SERVICES	21	6,098,608	3,513,883
REVENUES FROM STATE GOVERNMENT	10		
Service Appropriation		6,330,000	3,410,000
Liabilities assumed by the Treasurer		8,893	-
Total revenues from State Government		6,338,893	3,410,000
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	20	240,285	(103,883)
Total changes in equity other than those resulting from transactions with WA State Government as owners		240,285	(103,883)

(a) Administration expenses are included in supplies and services.

The Statement of Financial Performance should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Statement of Financial Position

as at 30 June 2005

	Note	2004/05 \$	2003/04 \$
Current Assets			
Cash assets	21	3,286,499	856,346
Receivables	11	36,852	49,742
Amounts receivable for services	12	50,000	50,000
Other assets	13	796	6,593
Total Current Assets		3,374,147	962,681
Non-Current Assets			
Amounts receivable for services	12	32,000	26,000
Office equipment, computers and furniture	14	114,342	146,070
Total Non-Current Assets		146,342	172,070
Total Assets		3,520,489	1,134,751
Current Liabilities			
Payables	16	93,530	95,727
Grants payable	17	3,055,095	829,784
Other liabilities	18	4,778	105,354
Provisions	19	234,022	177,439
Total Current Liabilities		3,387,425	1,208,304
Non-Current Liabilities			
Provisions	19	78,465	112,134
Total Non-Current Liabilities		78,465	112,134
Total Liabilities		3,465,890	1,320,438
NET ASSETS		54,599	(185,687)
Equity	20		
Contributed equity		389,450	389,450
Accumulated surplus/(deficiency)		(334,851)	(575,137)
TOTAL EQUITY		54,599	(185,687)

The Statement of Financial Position should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Statement of Cash Flows

for the year ended 30 June 2005

	Note	2004/05 \$ Inflows (Outflows)	2003/04 \$ Inflows (Outflows)
CASH FLOWS FROM STATE GOVERNMENT			
Service appropriations		6,274,000	3,352,000
Capital contribution		-	22,000
Holding account drawdowns		50,000	63,000
Net cash provided by State Government		6,324,000	3,437,000
Utilised as follows:			
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Payments			
Employee costs		(1,827,573)	(1,632,949)
Supplies and services (a)		(1,263,764)	(1,404,133)
Accommodation costs		(126,372)	(126,021)
Grants and subsidies		(775,089)	(617,661)
GST payments on purchases		(210,653)	(198,368)
GST payments to taxation authority		(17,604)	(9,790)
Receipts			
User charges		423	769
Project contributions		-	65,026
GST receipts on sales		11,027	15,580
GST receipts from taxation authority		226,845	195,301
Other receipts		115,872	90,326
Net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities	21	(3,866,888)	(3,621,920)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Purchase of non-current physical assets		(26,959)	(58,280)
Proceeds from sale of non-current physical assets		-	91
Net cash provided by/(used in) investing activities		(26,959)	(58,189)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash held		2,430,153	(243,109)
Cash assets at the beginning of the financial year		856,346	1,099,455
CASH ASSETS AT THE END OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR	21	3,286,499	856,346

(a) Administration expenses are included in supplies and services.

The Statement of Cash Flows should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Notes to the Financial Statements

for the year ended 30 June 2005

1. Significant accounting policies

The following accounting policies have been adopted in the preparation of the financial statements. Unless otherwise stated, these policies are consistent with those adopted in the previous year.

General statement

The financial statements constitute a general purpose financial report which has been prepared in accordance with Accounting Standards, Statements of Accounting Concepts and other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board and Urgent Issues Group (UIG) Consensus Views as applied by the Treasurer's Instructions. Several of these are modified by the Treasurer's Instructions to vary application, disclosure, format and wording. The Financial Administration and Audit Act and the Treasurer's Instructions are legislative provisions governing preparation of financial statements and take precedence over Accounting Standards, Statements of Accounting Concepts and other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board and UIG Consensus Views. The modifications are intended to fulfil the requirements of general application to the public sector, together with the need for greater disclosure and also to satisfy accountability requirements.

If any such modification has a material or significant financial effect upon the reported results, details of that modification and where practicable, the resulting financial effect, are disclosed in individual notes to these financial statements.

Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting using the historical cost convention.

(a) Service appropriations

Service appropriations are recognised as revenues in the period in which the Heritage Council gains control of the appropriated funds. The Heritage Council gains control of appropriated funds at the time those funds are deposited into the Heritage Council's bank account or credited to the holding account held at the Department of Treasury and Finance.

(b) Contributed equity

Under UIG 38 "Contributions by owners made to wholly-owned public sector entities" transfers in the nature of equity contributions must be designated by the government (owners) as contributions by owners (at the time of, or prior to transfer) before such transfers can be recognised as equity contributions in the financial statements. Capital contributions (appropriations) have been designated as contributions by owners and have been credited directly to contributed equity in the Statement of Financial Position.

(c) Grants and other contributions revenue

Grants, donations, gifts and other non-reciprocal contributions are recognised as revenue when the Heritage Council obtains control over the assets comprising the contributions. Control is normally obtained upon their receipt. Contributions are recognised at their fair value. Contributions of services are only recognised when a fair value can be readily determined and the services would be purchased if not donated.

(d) Revenue Recognition

Revenue from the sale of goods and the disposal of other assets and the rendering of services, is recognised when the Heritage Council has passed control of the goods or other assets or delivery of the service to the customer.

(e) Acquisition of assets

The cost method of accounting is used for all acquisitions of assets. Cost is measured as the fair value of the assets given up or liabilities undertaken at the date of acquisition plus incidental costs directly attributable to the acquisition. Assets acquired at no cost or for nominal consideration, are initially recognised at their fair value at the date of acquisition.

Assets costing less than \$1,000 are expensed in the year of acquisition.

(f) *Depreciation of non-current assets*

All non-current assets having a limited useful life are systematically depreciated over their estimated useful lives in a manner which reflects the consumption of their future economic benefits. Depreciation is calculated on the reducing balance basis, using rates which are reviewed annually.

Expected useful lives for each class of depreciable asset are:

Office equipment, computers and software 5 years

Furniture and fittings 10 years

Works of art controlled by the Heritage Council are classified as heritage assets. They are anticipated to have very long and indeterminate useful lives. Their service potential has not, in any material sense, been consumed during the reporting period. As such, no amount for depreciation has been recognised in respect of them.

(g) *Leases*

The Heritage Council has entered into operating lease arrangements for leased accommodation and motor vehicles where the lessors effectively retain all of the risks and benefits incident to ownership of the items held under the operating leases. Equal instalments of the lease payments are charged to the Statement of Financial Performance over the lease term as this is representative of the pattern of benefits to be derived from the leased property.

(h) *Cash*

For the purpose of the Statement of Cash Flows, cash includes cash assets.

(i) *Receivables*

Receivables are recognised at the amounts receivable as they are due for settlement no more than 30 days from the date of recognition. Collectability of receivables is reviewed on an ongoing basis. Debts which are known to be uncollectable are written off.

(j) *Website costs*

Costs in relation to the website controlled by the Heritage Council are charged as expenses in the period in which they are incurred unless they relate to the acquisition of an asset, in which case they are capitalised and amortised over the period of expected benefit.

(k) *Payables*

Payables, including accruals not yet billed, are recognised when the Heritage Council becomes obliged to make future payments as a result of a purchase of assets or services. Payables are generally settled within 30 days.

(l) *Grants payable*

Grants payable being recorded as liabilities in the Statement of Financial Position.

(m) *Employee benefits*

(i) *Annual leave*

This benefit is recognised at the reporting date in respect to employees' service up to that date and is measured at the nominal amounts expected to be paid when the liabilities are settled.

(ii) *Long service leave*

Leave benefits are calculated at remuneration rates expected to be paid when the liabilities are settled. A liability for long service leave is recognised after an employee has completed four years of service. Using the short hand method the liability is not materially different from the liability measured using the present value of expected future payments.

This method of measurement of the liability is consistent with the requirements of Accounting Standard AASB 1028 "Employee Benefits".

(iii) *Superannuation*

Staff may contribute to the Pension Scheme, a defined benefits pension scheme now closed to new members, or to the Gold State Superannuation Scheme, a defined benefit and lump sum scheme now also closed to new members. All staff who do not contribute to either of these schemes become noncontributory members of the West State Superannuation Scheme, an accumulation fund. The Heritage Council contributes to the accumulation fund in compliance with the Commonwealth Government's *Superannuation Guarantee (Administration) Act 1992*. All of these schemes are administered by the Government Employees Superannuation Board (GESB).

From 30 June 2004, the Treasurer has assumed the liability for pension and pre-transfer benefit superannuation liabilities. The assumption is designated as a contribution by owners under TI955(3)(iv) on 30 June 2004.

The superannuation expense comprises the following elements:

- (i) Change in the unfunded employer's liability in respect of current government employees who are members of the Pension Scheme and current government employees who accrued a benefit on transfer from that Scheme to the Gold State Superannuation Scheme; and
- (ii) Employer contributions paid to the Gold State Superannuation Scheme and the West State Superannuation Scheme.

The superannuation expense does not include payment of pensions to retirees, as this does not constitute part of the cost of services provided by the Heritage Council in the current year.

A revenue, "Liabilities assumed by the Treasurer", equivalent to (i) is recognised under Revenues from State Government in the Statement of Financial Performance as the unfunded liability is assumed by the Treasurer. The GESB makes the benefit payments and is recouped by the Treasurer.

The Heritage Council is funded for employer contributions in respect of the Gold State Superannuation Scheme and the West State Superannuation Scheme. These contributions were paid to the GESB during the year. The GESB subsequently paid the employer contributions in respect of the Gold State Superannuation Scheme to the Consolidated Fund.

The liabilities for superannuation charges under the Gold State Superannuation Scheme and West State Superannuation Scheme are extinguished by payment of employer contributions to the GESB.

(n) *Comparative figures*

Comparative figures are, where appropriate, reclassified so as to be comparable with the figures in the current financial year.

(o) *Rounding*

Amounts in the financial statements have been rounded to the nearest dollar.

	2004/05	2003/04
	\$	\$
2. <i>Employee expenses</i>		
Salaries and wages	1,696,888	1,464,665
Superannuation	154,003	184,504
Long service leave	(5,418)	(10,454)
Annual leave	28,332	13,607
	<hr/>	<hr/>
	1,873,805	1,652,322
3. <i>Supplies and services (a)</i>		
Assessment and Registration	314,320	487,050
Regional Heritage Advisory Service	232,287	235,213
Development Referrals	19,985	50,200
Conservation Incentives	3,804	4,386
Education and Promotion	124,534	123,321
Heritage Tourism	66,591	307
Heritage Council	98,330	101,373
Other staffing costs	46,324	52,456
General supplies and services	226,268	244,366
Communications	52,244	55,430
Consumables	56,053	56,200
Maintenance	11,402	8,677
	<hr/>	<hr/>
	1,252,142	1,418,979

(a) Administration expenses are included in supplies and services.

	2004/05	2003/04
	\$	\$
4. <i>Accommodation expenses</i>		
Lease	94,268	91,223
Outgoings	19,041	18,043
Cleaning	15,087	10,285
	<hr/> 128,396	<hr/> 119,551
5. <i>Grants and subsidies</i>		
Heritage Grants Program	936,400	50,571
Conservation Incentive Program	-	10,000
Education and Promotion	9,000	7,000
Cossack	120,000	120,000
Saint George's Cathedral	1,850,000	-
Heritage Loan Scheme Interest Subsidy	35,000	85,000
Kalgoorlie and Boulder Town Halls	50,000	50,000
	<hr/> 3,000,400	<hr/> 322,571
6. <i>Depreciation expense</i>		
Office equipment and computers	52,252	53,979
Furniture	4,328	4,586
	<hr/> 56,580	<hr/> 58,565
7. <i>Cost of disposal of non-current assets</i>		
Office equipment, computers and furniture	<hr/> 2,108	<hr/> 2,676
8. <i>User charges</i>		
Books and pamphlets	168	514
Other	210	300
	<hr/> 378	<hr/> 814
9. <i>Other revenue from ordinary activities</i>		
Government vehicle scheme	4,378	4,505
Regional advisory recoveries	114,250	45,750
Assessment recoveries	14,662	-
Heritage conferences	8,400	7,693
Heritage Tourism Thematic Assessment contribution	31,800	-
Heritage Tourism Economic Survey contribution	29,600	-
Other	11,355	1,628
	<hr/> 214,445	<hr/> 59,576

	2004/05 \$	2003/04 \$
10. <i>Revenues from State Government</i>		
Appropriation revenue received during the year:		
Service appropriations (i)	6,330,000	3,410,000
Liabilities assumed by the Treasurer during the year:		
Superannuation (ii)	8,893	-
	<hr/> 6,338,893	<hr/> 3,410,000
(i) Service appropriations are accrual amounts reflecting the full cost of services delivered. The appropriation revenue comprises a cash component and a receivable (asset). The receivable (holding account) comprises the depreciation expense for the year and any agreed increase in leave liability during the year.		
(ii) The assumption of superannuation liability by the Treasurer is a notional revenue to match the notional superannuation expense reported in respect of current government employees who are members of the Pension Scheme and current government employees who have a pre-transfer benefit entitlement under the Gold State Superannuation Scheme.		
11. <i>Receivables</i>		
Trade debtors	7,779	50
GST receivable	29,073	49,692
	<hr/> 36,852	<hr/> 49,742
12. <i>Amount receivable for services</i>		
Current	50,000	50,000
Non-Current	32,000	26,000
	<hr/> 82,000	<hr/> 76,000
This asset represents the non-cash component of service appropriations. It is restricted in that it can only be used for asset replacement or payment of leave liability.		
13. <i>Other assets</i>		
Current	796	6,593
	<hr/> 796	<hr/> 6,593

	2004/05 \$	2003/04 \$
14. <i>Office equipment, computers and furniture</i>		
Office equipment and computers	446,632	461,339
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(350,446)	(337,753)
	<hr/> 96,186	<hr/> 123,586
 Furniture	 64,334	 64,334
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(46,178)	(41,850)
	<hr/> 18,156	<hr/> 22,484
	<hr/> 114,342	<hr/> 146,070

Reconciliations

Reconciliations of the carrying amounts of office equipment and computers, and furniture at the beginning and end of the current and previous financial year are set out below:

Office equipment and computers:

Carrying amount at start of year	123,586	125,336
Movements	-	-
Additions	26,960	54,905
Disposals	(2,108)	(2,676)
Depreciation	(52,252)	(53,979)
Carrying amount at end of year	<hr/> 96,186	<hr/> 123,586

Furniture:

Carrying amount at start of year	22,484	23,395
Movements	-	-
Additions	-	3,675
Disposals	-	-
Depreciation	(4,328)	(4,586)
Carrying amount at end of year	<hr/> 18,156	<hr/> 22,484

Total

Carrying amount at start of year	146,070	148,731
Movements	-	-
Additions	26,960	58,580
Disposals	(2,108)	(2,676)
Depreciation	(56,580)	(58,565)
Carrying amount at end of year	<hr/> 114,342	<hr/> 146,070

15. *Net gain/(loss) on disposal of non-current assets*

Cost of disposal of non-current assets	(2,108)	(2,676)
Proceeds from disposal of non-current assets	-	391
	<hr/> (2,108)	<hr/> (2,285)

	2004/05	2003/04
	\$	\$
16. <i>Payables</i>		
Trade payables	91,303	95,727
Other	2,227	-
	<hr/> 93,530	<hr/> 95,727
17. <i>Grants payable</i>		
Heritage Grants Program	888,246	457,294
Saint George's Cathedral	1,850,000	-
Carnarvon One Mile Jetty	16,849	112,490
Conservation Incentive Program	-	10,000
Golden Mile Loop Railway Line	100,000	100,000
Kalgoorlie and Boulder Town Halls	200,000	150,000
	<hr/> 3,055,095	<hr/> 829,784
18. <i>Other liabilities</i>		
Income in advance	4,778	105,354
	<hr/> 4,778	<hr/> 105,354
19. <i>Provisions</i>		
Current		
Annual leave	142,424	114,092
Long service leave	91,598	63,347
	<hr/> 234,022	<hr/> 177,439
Non-current		
Long service leave	78,465	112,134
	<hr/> 78,465	<hr/> 112,134
Employee Benefit Liabilities		
The aggregate employee benefit liability recognised and included in the financial statements is as follows:		
Provision for employee benefits:		
Current	234,022	177,439
Non-current	78,465	112,134
	<hr/> 312,487	<hr/> 289,573

	2004/05 \$	2003/04 \$
20. <i>Equity</i>		
Contributed equity		
Opening balance	389,450	–
Capital contributions (i)	–	22,000
Contributions by owners for superannuation pre-transfer benefit liabilities (ii)	–	367,450
Closing balance	389,450	389,450
(i) Capital Contributions have been designated as contributions by owners and are credited directly to equity in the Statement of Financial Position.		
(ii) Assumption of superannuation liability by the Treasurer.		
Accumulated surplus/(deficiency)		
Opening balance	(575,137)	(471,254)
Rounding adjustment	1	–
Change in net assets	240,285	(103,883)
Closing balance	(334,851)	(575,137)
Total equity	54,599	(185,687)

21. *Notes to the Statement of Cash Flows*

(a) *Reconciliation of cash*

For the purpose of the Statement of Cash Flows, cash includes cash at bank, petty cash, amounts in suspense and restricted cash, net of outstanding bank overdrafts. Cash at the end of financial year as shown in the Statement of Cash Flows is reconciled to the related items in the Statement of Financial position as follows:

Funds held at the Commonwealth Bank:

Cash - Heritage Fund	3,285,499	855,346
Petty cash	1,000	1,000
	3,286,499	856,346

(b) *Reconciliation of net cost of services to net cash flows provided by/ (used in) operating activities*

Net cost of services	(6,098,608)	(3,513,883)
Non-cash items:		
Depreciation expense	56,580	58,565
Net (gain)/loss on non-current assets	2,108	2,285
(Increase)/decrease in assets:		
Trade debtors	(7,729)	(50)
Current other assets	5,797	(3,361)

	2004/05	2003/04
	\$	\$
Increase/(decrease) in liabilities:		
Current payables	(2,197)	22,539
Grants payable	2,225,311	(295,090)
Income in advance	(100,576)	105,354
Current accrued salaries	-	(36,371)
Current annual leave	28,332	13,607
Current long service leave	28,251	(22,272)
Non-current long service leave	(33,669)	11,818
Superannuation pre-transfer benefit liabilities	8,893	43,483
Net GST receipts/payments	9,615	2,722
Change in GST receivables/payables	11,004	(11,266)
Net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities	(3,866,888)	(3,621,920)

22. *Commitments for expenditure*

Lease commitments

Commitments in relation to non-cancellable operating leases contracted for at the reporting date but not recognised as liabilities, are payable as follows:

Within 1 year	114,423	118,164
Later than 1 year and not later than 5 years	222,144	306,921
	336,567	425,085

Representing:

Leased premises	305,100	406,800
Leased motor vehicles	31,467	18,285
	336,567	425,085

The premises lease is a non-cancellable lease with a five year term to 30 June 2008, with rent payable monthly. An option exists to renew the lease at the end of the term for an additional term of five years.

23. *Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets*

Contingent liabilities

The Heritage Council has no contingent liabilities as at 30 June 2005.

Contingent assets

In addition to the assets incorporated in the financial statements, the Heritage Council has the following contingent asset:

A contingent asset exists in respect of a bank guarantee in favour of the Heritage Council for outstanding works at Hill 60 Homestead Rivervale for the amount of \$126,738.

	2004/05	2003/04
	\$	\$
24. <i>Remuneration of Members of the Heritage Council and Senior Officers</i>		
Remuneration of Members of the Heritage Council		
The number of members of the Heritage Council, whose total of fees, salaries, superannuation and other benefits for the financial year, fall within the following bands are:		
	No.	No.
\$1 - \$10,000	15	12
\$10,001 - \$21,000	1	3
	\$	\$
The total remuneration of Heritage Council members is:	96,352	94,969
The superannuation included here represents the superannuation expense incurred by the Heritage Council in respect of members of the Heritage Council.		
No members of the Heritage Council are members of the Pension Scheme.		
Remuneration of Senior Officers		
The number of Senior Officers other than members of the Heritage Council, whose total of fees, salaries, superannuation and other benefits for the financial year, fall within the following bands are:		
	No.	No.
\$120,000 - \$130,000	1	1
	\$	\$
The total remuneration of senior officers is:	125,546	122,342
The superannuation included here represents the superannuation expense incurred by the Heritage Council in respect of senior officers other than members of the Heritage Council.		
No Senior Officers are members of the Pension Scheme.		
25. <i>Remuneration of Auditor</i>		
Auditing of accounts, financial statements and performance indicators.	11,500	-

26. *Explanatory statement - significant variations*

(a) Comparison of actual results with those of the preceding year

Details and reasons for significant variations between actual revenue and expenditure and the corresponding item of the preceding year are detailed below:

Significant variations are considered to be greater than \$20,000.

Operating expenses

- (i) Employee expenses - Increase \$221,483. Due to the full year cost of new positions and temporary assistance for staff on leave.
- (ii) Supplies and services - Decrease \$166,837. Mainly due to delays in the accelerated assessment program.
- (iii) Grants and subsidies - Increase \$2,677,829. Mainly due to the reinstatement of the Heritage Grants Program of \$1 million and funding for the St George's Cathedral of \$1,850,000.

Revenues from ordinary activities

- (v) Other revenues - Increase \$154,869. Increase in Regional Advisory Services Revenue and Heritage Tourism project contributions.

Revenues from Government

- (vi) Service Appropriation - Increase \$2,920,000. Mainly due to reinstatement of the Heritage Grants Program of \$1 million and funding for the St George's Cathedral of \$1,850,000.

(b) *Comparison of estimates and actual results under section 42 of the Financial Administration and Audit Act and in accordance with Treasurer's Instruction 945.*

Details and reasons for significant variations between estimates and actual results are detailed below:

Significant variations are considered to be greater than \$20,000.

	Budget \$'000	Actual \$'000	Variance \$'000
(i) Employee expenses Increase \$173,805. Due to the full year cost of new positions and temporary assistance for staff on leave.	1,700	1,874	174
(ii) Supplies and services Decrease \$247,858. Mainly due to delays in the accelerated assessment program.	1,500	1,252	(248)
(iii) Grants and subsidies Increase \$1,774,400. Mainly due to funding for Saint George's Cathedral of \$1,850,000.	1,226	3,000	1,774
Revenues from ordinary activities			
(v) Other revenues Increase \$124,445. Increase in Regional Advisory Services Revenue and Tourism project contributions.	90	214	124
Revenues from Government			
(vi) Service Appropriation Mainly due to funding for the St George's Cathedral of \$1,850,000.	4,544	6,330	1,786

27. Financial Instruments

(a) Interest rate risk exposure

The following table details the Heritage Council's exposure to interest rate risk as at the reporting date.

	Weighted average effective interest rate	Non interest bearing	Total
	%	\$'000	\$'000
30 June 2005			
Financial assets			
Cash		3,286	3,286
Receivables		37	37
Total financial assets		3,323	3,323
Financial liabilities			
Payables		3,149	3,149
Income in advance		5	5
Employee entitlements		312	312
Total financial liabilities		3,466	3,466
Net financial assets (liabilities)		(143)	(143)

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Financial assets	906	906
Financial liabilities	1,321	1,321

(b) Credit risk exposure

All financial assets are unsecured.

(c) Net fair values

The carrying amount of financial assets and financial liabilities recorded in the financial statements are not materially different from their net fair values.

28. *International Financial Reporting Standards*

The Heritage Council is adopting international accounting standards in compliance with AASB 1 *First-time Adoption of Australian equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS)*.

These financial statements will be presented as comparatives in the first annual financial report prepared on an IFRS basis for the period ending 30 June 2006.

The impact to the Heritage Council of adopting the (IFRS) has been considered under the following plan:

- research the new accounting standards
- identify the major impacts
- consider system changes required.

No material impacts to the Heritage Council have been identified that would require disclosure as at 30 June 2005.

The ongoing impact to the Heritage Council from 1 July 2005 will be monitored and determined in conjunction with the Department of Treasury and Finance to reflect the transitional and ongoing requirements of the adoption and disclosure of the International Financial Reporting Standards.

29. *Events occurring after reporting date*

No information has become apparent since reporting date which would materially affect the financial statements.

Appendices



Sacred Heart Church and Monastery, Highgate

Appendix A

Places entered in the State Register of Heritage Places

Appendix B

Heritage Grants Program

Appendix C

Lotterywest Grants Program

Appendix D

New publications

Appendix A - Places entered in the State Register of Heritage Places

77 places were listed in the State Register on an interim basis in 2004/05.

LGA	Place No	Place Name	Consolidated Address	Interim Registration Date
Albany	3	Albany Club	23-33 Aberdeen St Albany	28/6/05
Albany	15513	Mouchemore's Cottage and Net Shed	1 Parade St Albany	24/9/04
Armadale	3709	Canning Contour Channel (fmr)	Peet Rd Canning Mills Rd & McNess Dr Illawarra, Roleystone, Kelmscott to Martin	30/7/04
Ashburton	15370	Nanutarra Station Complex	North West Coastal Hwy via Carnarvon	12/11/04
Ashburton	3444	Old Onslow Townsite	Reserve 35118 Onslow	18/2/05
Belmont	16785	RAAF Headquarters Bunker (fmr)	81-91 Leake St Belmont	18/3/05
Bridgetown-Greenbushes	248	Freemasons Hotel	Cnr Hampton & Steere Sts Bridgetown	17/12/04
Bridgetown-Greenbushes	3220	Paterson & Co Fruit Packing Shed	166-168 Hampton Street Cnr Bunbury St Bridgetown	13/8/04
Broomehill	308	Broomehill Shire Hall and Road Board Offices (fmr)	Jasper St Broomehill	12/11/04
Bunbury	5700	Anzac Park	Cnr Stirling & Parkfield Sts Bunbury	28/6/05
Bunbury	380	Masonic Hall, Bunbury	74 Wittenoom St Bunbury	3/6/05
Busselton	16727	Site of Ballarat Bridge, Vasse Floodgates & Wonnerup Floodgates	Layman Rd Wonnerup	30/7/04
Capel	436	St John's Anglican Church	Cnr Forrest Rd & Capel Dve Capel	17/12/04
Capel	442	St Louis Catholic Church	Cnr Bridge St & Thomas St Boyanup	18/3/05
Chapman Valley	15838	Cuddy Cuddy Changing Station	Lot 1157 North West Coastal Hwy Howatharra	23/11/04
Claremont	489	St Aidan's Uniting Church and Hall	26 Princess Rd, Cnr Chester Rd Claremont	22/4/05
Cockburn	10163	Channel Marker & Trigonometric Beacon	Cockburn Rd Munster	24/9/04
Cockburn	10180	Three Lime Kilns	Cockburn Rd & Beeliar Dr Coogee & Munster	18/3/05
Cottesloe	16637	Cottesloe Beach Precinct	Marine Pde Cottesloe	23/11/04
Fremantle	1035	Hillcrest	23 Harvest Rd Cnr Turton St North Fremantle	18/3/05
Fremantle	859	Lilly's Buildings	34-42 Cliff St Fremantle	13/8/04
Fremantle	1045	South Fremantle Post Office (fmr)	174 Hampton Rd South Fremantle	30/7/04

Gingin	1088	Cowalla Homestead Group	Cowalla Rd Cowalla	3/6/05
Gosnells (C)	3709	Canning Contour Channel (fmr)	Peet Rd Canning Mills Rd & McNess Dr Illawarra, Roleystone, Kelmscott to Martin	30/7/04
Greenough	13930	Koogereena Homestead	Kojarena Rd South Kojarena	21/1/05
Harvey	1189	Henton Cottage	2 Paris Rd Australind	22/4/05
Kalamunda	16819	Lesmurdie Group	195 & 200 Lesmurdie Rd and 12 Catherine Pl Lesmurdie	12/11/04
Kalamunda	10551	Perth Observatory	337 Walnut Rd Bickley	24/9/04
Kalamunda	1253	Stirk Cottage	18 Kalamunda Rd Kalamunda	20/7/04
Kalgoorlie-Boulder	3311	King Battery	47km SSE of Kalgoorlie, White Hope Mine access rd via Wollubar Station Kambalda	13/8/04
Kalgoorlie-Boulder	7508	North Kalgoorlie Fire Station	1 Hare St Kalgoorlie	24/9/04
Laverton	1453	Hotel Australia (fmr)	Lot 20 Laver Pl Laverton	28/6/05
Leonora	1474	Barnes Federal Theatre (fmr)	Lot 71 Tower St Leonora	3/6/05
Manjimup	16654	Watermark Kilns, Northcliffe	Lot 12152 Karri Hill Rd Northcliffe	21/1/05
Menzies	1553	Menzies Railway Station Precinct	Walsh St Menzies	3/6/05
Morawa	1620	Morawa Shire Office & Town Hall	Cnr Prater & Dreghorn Sts Morawa	12/11/04
Mullewa	5109	Butterabby Graves	Devil's Creek Rd/Butterabby Rd Devil's Creek	22/4/05
Mullewa	6105	Mullewa Railway Station Group	Maley St Mullewa	22/4/05
Mullewa	1673	Pallottine Monastery	Pallottine Rd Tardun	24/3/05
Mullewa	1668	Pindar Garage Buildings	Cnr Sharpe & Adams Sts Pindar	13/5/05
Mundaring	4479	Blackboy Hill Memorial	Innamincka Rd Greenmount	22/4/05
Mundaring	1688	Holmesdale	Darlington Rd Darlington	23/11/04
Mundaring	8568	Lake Leschenaultia	Rosedale Rd Chidlow	30/7/04
Mundaring	8554	Leithdale	5-7 Lukin Ave Darlington	18/2/05
Mundaring	1685	St Cuthbert's Anglican Church	Cnr Hillsden & Darlington Rds Darlington	15/10/04
Murray	1748	Pinjarra Court House (fmr)	George St Pinjarra	24/9/04
Northam (S)	8565	Chauncy's Cairn	North of Cobb Rd Chidlow State Forest	21/1/05
Northam (T)	3976	Northam Cemetery	Katrine Rd Northam	18/3/05
Nungarin	1919	Nungarin Road Board Office (fmr)	Cnr First Ave & Mitchell Tce Nungarin	13/5/05
Peppermint Grove	1924	The Cliffe	25 Bindaring Pde Peppermint Grove	20/7/04
Perenjori	1938	Bank of New South Wales	Cnr Fowler & Smith Sts Perenjori	15/10/04
Perth	4641	Cathedral of St Constantine & St Helene	18 Parker St Cnr Francis St Northbridge	12/11/04
Perth	1991	Connor Quinlan Building	612-616 Hay St Perth	24/9/04
Perth	11595	First Church of Christ, Scientist	264 St Georges Tce Perth	18/2/05
Perth	4587	P & O Building (fmr)	56-60 William St Perth	23/11/04

Perth	2239	Parliament House & Grounds	Harvest Tce West Perth	24/9/04
Perth	2056	Perth Government Stores (fmr)	70-74 Murray St Perth	21/1/05
Perth	3298	Perth Low Level Sewage Pumping Stns 1 & 2	Causeway & Langley Park Perth	18/3/05
Perth	1969	Protestant Hall (fmr)	160-162 Beaufort St Northbridge	3/6/05
Perth	4342	Residence, 52 Mount Street	52 Mount St West Perth	15/10/04
Perth	2084	Salvation Army Headquarters & Congress Hall (fmr)	48-54 Pier St & 69 Murray St Perth	13/8/04
Rockingham	2320	Hymus House and Outbuildings	Mandurah Rd East Rockingham	18/2/05
South Perth	2403	Pagoda	111 Melville Pde Como	20/7/04
South Perth	2383	St Columba's Church Group & St Joseph's Convent	25 Forrest St South Perth	28/6/05
Stirling	2430	Chapel of St Michael and All Angels	31 Lawley Cr Mount Lawley	13/8/04
Subiaco	2444	Freemasons Hall (fmr)	Cnr Roberts & Coghlan Rds Subiaco	18/3/05
Swan	14558	Guildford Road Bridge	Guildford Rd Bassendean	23/11/04
Swan	2460	Guildford Town Hall & Library	Cnr Meadow St & James St Guildford	20/7/04
Swan	14470	Swanleigh Precinct	Yule Ave Middle Swan	17/12/04
Toodyay	2567	Connors Mill (fmr)	129 Stirling Tce Cnr Plesse St Toodyay	24/3/05
Victoria Park	3372	Kent Street Senior High School	Kent St Kensington	22/4/05
Vincent	8709	Aranmore Catholic College Group	Franklin & Shakespeare Sts Leederville	24/9/04
Vincent	16789	North Perth Primary School	Albert St North Perth	23/11/04
Vincent	2218	Redemptorist Monastery & Church	190 Vincent St Cnr Camelia St North Perth	18/3/05
Vincent	8723	Stables (fmr), 17 Lindsay St	17 Lindsay St Northbridge	17/12/04
Wagin	2642	Wagin Town Hall	Cnr Tudor & Tavistock Sts Wagin	24/3/05
Wyalkatchem	15755	Wyalkatchem Railway and CBH Precinct	Railway Tce & Grace St Wyalkatchem	17/12/04
York	3426	York-Beverley Racecourse	Spencers Brook Rd York	24/9/04

Appendix B - Heritage Grants Program

Heritage grants allocated during 2004/05.

Place No	Applicant	Project Title	Grant Amount
2052	J Lagdon	55 Murray Street, Perth - Conservation Works	\$51,000
58	N Lembo	Albany House, Albany - Conservation Plan	\$5,000
3414	Bardeen Nominees	Bardeen Homestead, Irishtown (via Northam) - Conservation Works	\$30,000
2634	V Farrant	Butterick Building, Wagin - Conservation Plan	\$7,000
1878	V Henderson	Byfield House, Northam - Conservation Works	\$30,000
764	J Martin *	Convent School, Norseman - Conservation Plan	\$10,300
10881	B K H & J D Bott	Curdnatta, Northam - Conservation Plan	\$3,300
2404	C J Anderson, N M Crossing & C J Stiles	Cygnat Theatre, Como - Conservation Plan	\$4,500
3569	Deranta Pty Ltd	Enderslea, Chittering - Conservation Works	\$25,000
570	L J & T C Evans	Fmr Railway Hotel, Coolgardie - Conservation Works	\$55,000
3726	G & M Spencer-Laitt t/a Liveringa Pastoral Co	Glengarry Homestead, Moonyoonooka - Conservation Works	\$56,000
2480	V E & D E Jones *	Guildford Post Office - Conservation Plan	\$4,600
3698	A (Ted) & K Walker	Hasell's Cottage (ruin) - Conservation Plan (varied to Works)	\$5,200
46	J P & J A Raudino	Hawthorndene, Albany - Conservation Plan	\$4,700
10917	A & R Poulton	Hoopers Winery, Bakers Hill - Conservation Plan & Works	\$23,000
4184	H G & H S Penny	Korrawilla, Greenhills - Conservation Works	\$33,000
9012	H J & D L Ginbey	Levi Wallis' Cottage, Walliston - Conservation Works	\$20,000
694	G & M Spencer-Laitt t/a Liveringa Pastoral Co	Liveringa Homestead Group - Shearers Quarters - Conservation Works	\$20,000
1998	London Court Pty Ltd **	London Court Clock, Perth - Conservation Works	\$6,900
1693	Allsouth Pty Ltd	Mahogany Inn, Mundaring - Conservation Plan & Works	\$37,000
1165	P Rudduck	Maley's Mill, Greenough - Conservation Works	\$36,000
2637	G V Doney (on behalf of T B Moran)	Moran's Wagin Hotel - Conservation Works	\$53,000
1675	J V Jorgensen	Mundaring Weir Hotel - Conservation Plan	\$3,000
3443	B Clune	Newmarracarra Homestead, Kojareena - Conservation Works	\$20,000
3271	A P Jackson	Oakabella Homestead, Northampton - Conservation Works	\$20,000
1033	K Dobinson	'Ocean View', 134 Solomon Street, Beaconsfield - Conservation Works	\$50,000
1217	J V Rowland & G W Grundy	Old East End, Dongara - Conservation Plan	\$6,400

3019	A S & R S Lennon	Old York Hospital - Conservation Works	\$50,000
354	R N J & A M Collett Super Fund	Prince of Wales Hotel, Bunbury - Conservation Plan	\$9,300
8732	Owners of Purtell's Buildings	Purtell's Buildings, West Perth - Conservation Plan	\$4,800
2454	Baker Theatre Trust	Regal Theatre, Subiaco - Conservation Works	\$55,000
10996	J & G Egerton-Warburton	St Werburgh's Farm Buildings, Mt Barker - Conservation Works	\$20,000
3142	P McIlwain	Store, Northcliffe - Conservation Works	\$28,000
28	The Rocks Holdings (2002) Pty Ltd	The Rocks, Albany - Conservation Works	\$50,000
1993	Body Corporate 639 Hay Street	Theatre Royal & Hotel Metropole (fmr) - Conservation Works	\$107,500
2993	Q & J Summers	Throssell House, Perth - Conservation Plan	\$3,500
16654	T & J Hulcup	Tobacco Grading Shed, Watermark Kilns Farmstay, Northcliffe - Conservation Plan	\$3,900
3268	S & A Lefroy	Walebing, Moora - Conservation Works	\$25,000
945	R McCracken	Water Police Station & Quarters (fmr), Fremantle - Conservation Plan	\$10,000
1914	A Sellers & D Whettingsteel	Willow Gully, Northampton - Conservation Plan & Works	\$27,300
			\$1,014,200.00

* Offers declined

** Offer withdrawn

Amount transferred to previously funded works project

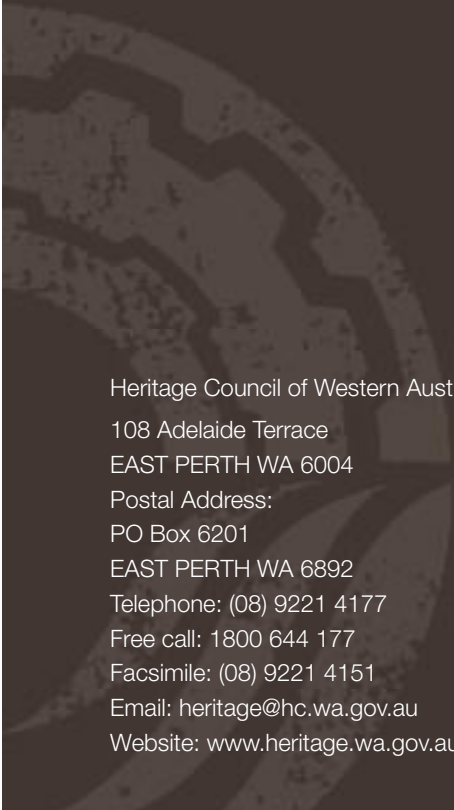
Appendix C - Lotterywest Grants Program

Lotterywest conservation grants allocated during 2004/05. The Heritage Council selected these projects under an arrangement with Lotterywest for additional conservation funding.

Place No	Applicant	Project Title	Grant Amount
4269	Shire of West Arthur	Arthur River Precinct - Conservation Plan	\$8,750
875	City of Fremantle	Arts Centre and Museum, Fremantle - Conservation Works	\$50,000
2864	York Society Inc	Blandstown Heritage Precinct, York - Conservation Plan	\$8,726
302	Shire of Broome	Broome Pioneer Cemetery - Conservation Works	\$18,773
308	Shire of Broomehill	Broomehill Shire Hall - Conservation Works	\$21,791
3101	Trustees of the Christian Brothers in WA	Catholic Agricultural College , Bindoon - Conservation Works	\$50,000
1915	Northampton Historical Society Inc	Convict Hiring Depot, Lynton - Conservation Works	\$19,890
3091	Shire of Waroona	Drakesbrook School, Waroona - Conservation Works	\$16,000
5261	Three Springs Historical Society Inc	Duffy's Store and Billiard Room, Three Springs - Conservation Plan and Works	\$34,320
4639	City of Kalgoorlie Boulder	Lopline Railway Station, Kalgoorlie - Conservation Works	\$30,860
447	Shire of Carnamah	Macpherson Homestead, Carnamah - Conservation Plan Upgrade	\$10,130
13705	Fellowship of Australian Writers	Mattie Furphy House, Swanbourne - Conservation Works	\$30,000
2130	Roman Catholic Archbishop of Perth	Pro-Cathedral of St John the Evangelist, Perth - Conservation Works	\$28,000
17094	Shire of Sandstone	Railway Goods Shed Tank Stand, Sandstone - Conservation Works (Structural report)	\$2,490
15865	LMS Ministries Ltd	Railway Houses, Wittenoom Street, Kalgoorlie - Conservation Works	\$36,050
15408	Shire of Upper Gascoyne	Roads Board Building, Upper Gascoyne - Conservation Works	\$22,986
1145	National Trust of Australia (WA)	St James Church, Greenough - Conservation Plan	\$10,440
402	Bunbury Diocesan Trustees	St Mary's Church, Busselton - Conservation Works	\$18,120
1904	Roman Catholic Bishop of Geraldton	St Mary's, Northampton - Conservation Works	\$18,100
2385	Perth Diocesan Trustees	St Mary's, South Perth - Conservation Plan	\$9,000
2225	Perth Diocesan Trustees	St Peter's, Victoria Park - Conservation Plan	\$12,500
1015	Town of East Fremantle	Town Hall Complex, East Fremantle - Conservation Works	\$37,197
			\$494,123.00

Appendix D - New Publications

Title	Date of Publication
Precincts in Western Australia	August 2004
Heritage Matters, Issue 16	November 2004
Mid West Heritage Update, Issue 13	November 2004
South West Heritage Update, Issue 11	November 2004
Wheatbelt Heritage Update, Issue 13	November 2004
Heritage Council Calendar	December 2004
Heritage Tourism Strategy (draft)	January 2005
Heritage Nomination Form	January 2005
Directory of Heritage Consultants	February 2005
Revolving Funds for Historic Heritage	February 2005
Heritage Council Award	March 2005
Heritage Matters, Issue 17	March 2005
Goldfields Heritage Update, Issue 10	March 2005
Great Southern Heritage Update, Issue 11	March 2005
Heritage Grant Program information booklet and application form (update)	April 2005



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Perth Town Hall, circa 1868

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One of the most treasured buildings in the State, the Perth Town Hall has been sensitively restored, rekindling its value to the community as a prominent landmark.

The development incorporated modern facilities and amenity within the building, while remaining extremely respectful of the original architecture.