

# City of Greater Geraldton Municipal Inventory of Heritage Places

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# SITE DETAILS

Lot No.: Lot 32

Reserv No.: Assess No.: 11835

Dia/Plan: Vol/Fol:

## **USE OF PLACE**

Original Use: Smelting Works

Current Use: Site

Ownership:

Public Access: Yes Occupied: Not Occupied

## **DESCRIPTION**

Walls: Not applicable Roof: Not applicable

Condition: Good Integrity:

Original fabric: Possible archaeological remnants

Modifications:

Situated on the coast side of Chapman Road, the smelting works was located on an elevated site overlooking the ocean and adjacent to the railway line. Formany years the site was marked by an old steam boiler from a locomotive which was used on the Ajana-Galena railway. (Source: Stan Gratte) The site is cleared of all evidence of the former smelting works. However, archaeological investigation may reveal evidence of the former site.

#### HISTORY

Construction Date: 1887 Source: Bryant, R. G.

Architect: Unknown Builder: Unknown

The Chapman Smelting Works were established in 1887. (Bryant, R.G., "Geraldton", Graylands Teachers College Thesis, 1960, page 18.)

# HISTORIC THEMES

HCWA: 310 Manufacturing and processing

AHC: 3.4 Utilising natural resources

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#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The site of the Chapman Smelting Works has some historic significance as an industry which operated in Geraldton earlier last century.

# MANAGEMENT CATEGORY

Management Category: 5

Level of Significance: HISTORIC SITE: The site has historic significance

for its previous use and its role in the historical

development of the locality.

Management Recommendation:

Proposed development may need to have regard to possible archaeological evidence remaining on the site. Recognise and interpret

the site if feasible. This may be a chieved

through a variety of methods including, but not limited to, signage, public art, paving treatment and landscaping as well as design treatment of

any new development which reflects the

former use of the site.

### OTHER LISTINGS

No other listings

### SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Bryant, R.G., "Geraldton", Graylands Teachers College Thesis, 1960.

OTHER PHOTOS

No other photos

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