

SITE DETAILS

Lot No.:	Lot 576	Assess No.:	63009
Reserv No.:		Vol/Fol:	
Dia/Plan:			

USE OF PLACE

Original Use:	Residence	Occupied:	Occupied
Current Use:	Residence		
Ownership:			
Public Access:	No		

DESCRIPTION

Walls:	Comugated Iron	Roof:	Comugated Iron
Condition:	Good	Integrity:	
Original fabric:			
Modifications:			

Located adjacent to the former Back Flats State School [Place No. 147] and near the Holy Trinity Anglican Church [Place No. 148], the former school teacher's residence is a small and simple timber framed cottage which is clad with vertically placed comugated iron. The place has a steeply pitched twin gable comugated iron roof with a broken back verandah roof to the front (north) elevation. The verandah is supported on timber posts and has timber criss-cross balustrading and lattice infill to the ends. There is a corbelled brick chimney to the west elevation and metal awnings to side windows. To the rear is a fibro clad extension.

HISTORY

Construction Date:	1898	Source:	Heritage Trail
Architect:	Not available		
Builder:	Not available		

The Back Flats State School was built in c 1870 [Place No. 147]. A one-teacher school, the building also served as living quarters for the teacher until the house was built in 1898. It is believed that the materials for the cottage could have come from a house in the Goldfields. By 1966 both the need to expand and the unsuitability of the site due to frequent floods, necessitated relocation and the building of the new Walkaway Primary School.

(Sources: Greenough-Walkaway Heritage Trail & Gary Martin)

HISTORIC THEMES

HCWA:	100 Demographic settlement and mobility 402 Education and science
AHC:	6.5 Educating people in remote places

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The former School Teacher's Residence has considerable historic significance for its close association with the adjacent school and education in the district for many years. If verified, the place is evidence of a relocated building from the goldfields. The cottage has considerable aesthetic appeal given its small scale, quaint form and use of construction materials; corrugated iron clad residences being very rare in the district. Together with the adjacent school building and the Holy Trinity Church, the former school teacher's residence contributes considerably to the historic character of the Back Flats.

MANAGEMENT CATEGORY

Management Category:	2
Level of Significance:	CONSIDERABLE SIGNIFICANCE: Very important to the heritage of the locality.
Management Recommendation:	Conservation of the place is highly recommended. Any proposed change should not unduly impact on the heritage values of the place and should retain its original appearance and character.

