

4.3.2.1 Forestry Department's Divisional Headquarters and Fire Lookout

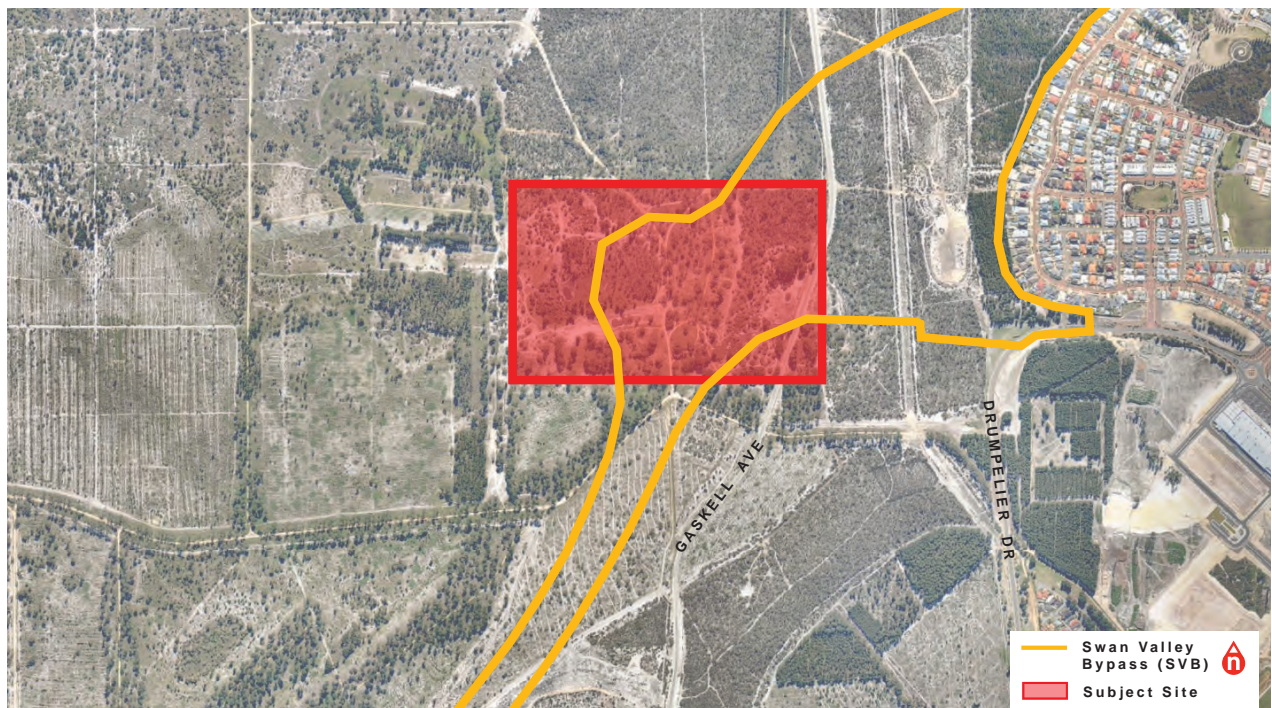


Fig 17. Aerial showing Lot 14910, near Gaskell Road, Lexia (north of Trainor Road, west of Ellenbrook)

Address:	Lot 14910, near Gaskell Road, Lexia (north of Trainor Road, west of Ellenbrook)
Heritage Status:	Not listed
Statement of Significance:	-
Historical Notes:	A pine plantation was started in the early 1930's by the Forestry Department, known as the Gngangara Pine Plantation. A forestry worker and his family lived within the study area. In late 1945, early 1946 single male migrants and families from the Baltic States also started living permanently within the study area. They also worked for the Forestry Department and were located near Gaskell Road, which was called the divisional headquarters. As well as the workers accommodation the headquarters settlement also had an office, stables, blacksmith's, storeroom, garages for trucks and water trucks, fire water tanks, rainwater tanks and wells. There was also a fire lookout station on a hill about a mile from the station, which was connected to the settlement via telephone. Aerial imagery show the headquarters extant in 1985 but not in 1995.
Description:	Site visit required.
Reference:	<i>European Heritage Sites of Perth-Darwin National Highway – Desktop Survey</i> , Nayton 2012



Fig 18. Historic Aerial from 1977. Source: Landgate

4.3.2.2 Rick Hamersley Centre - Place 1 Santa Rosa

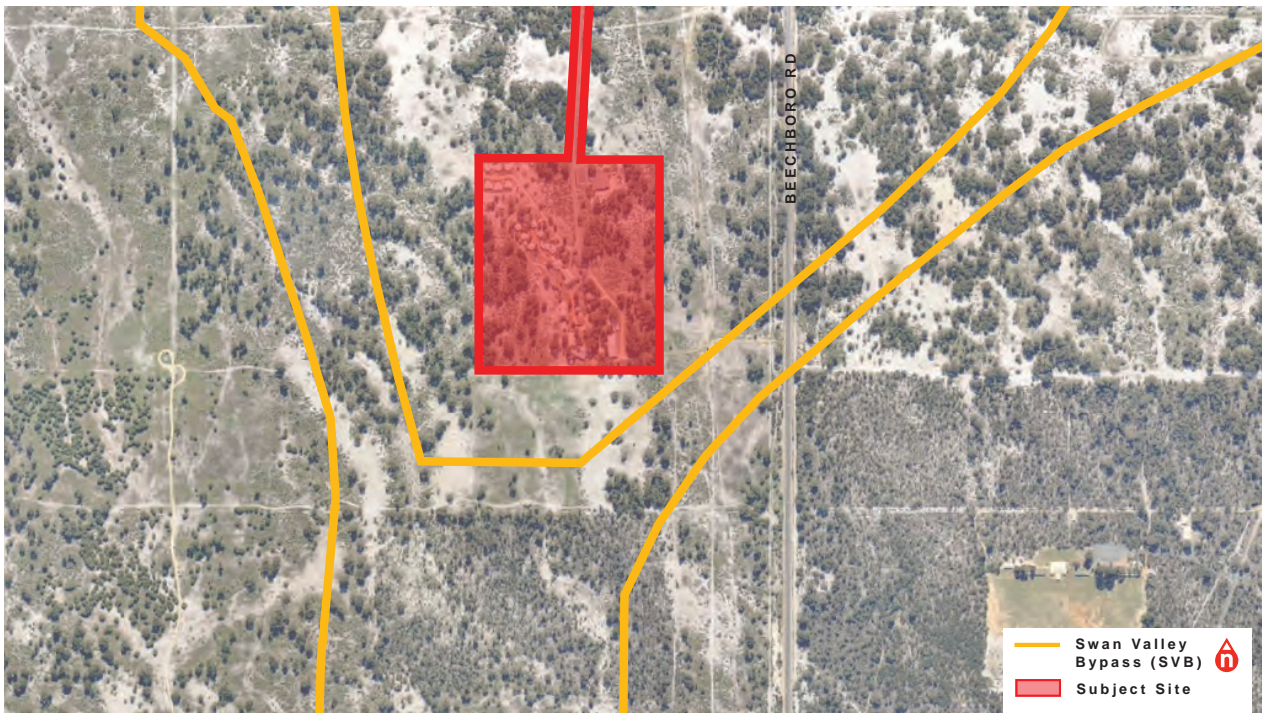


Fig 19. Aerial showing the Rick Hamersley Centre at No.920 Gngalara Road, Cullacabardee

Address:	No. 920 Gngalara Road, Cullacabardee
Heritage Status:	Not listed
Statement of Significance:	<i>The place is an example of an isolated post war house once within a rural setting.</i>
Construction Year:	Post-war
Historical Notes:	It was formerly called Santa Rosa and occupied by Neil Robinson in the 1970s. The place was also used as a home by Rick Hamersley from Cyrenian, after whom the Rick Hamersley Centre was named. The Rick Hamersley Centre has been built around the house which pre-dates the Centre.
Description:	A post war bungalow style brick house with a tiled roof and short masonry chimney. Place has off centre front extension next to the front door and concrete veranda. Veranda has three concrete steps leading up to it framed by a low metal fence forming handrails. The fence continues across the face of the veranda until replaced with a low masonry wall forming the side fence and corner of the veranda. Window arrangements are timber framed with a central pane flanked with three vertical sets of horizontally hinged outward opening windows. There is a large veranda extension to the rear of the place which is later than the core of the house. Inside, the house has large rooms with high ceilings and mildly decorative plaster cornices indicating a 1940s date for construction.
Reference:	<i>European Heritage Sites of Perth-Darwin National Highway – Desktop Survey, Nayton 2012</i>



Fig 20. Santa Rosa. Source: Nayton (2012)

4.3.2.3 Rick Hamersley Centre - Place 2 The Cottage

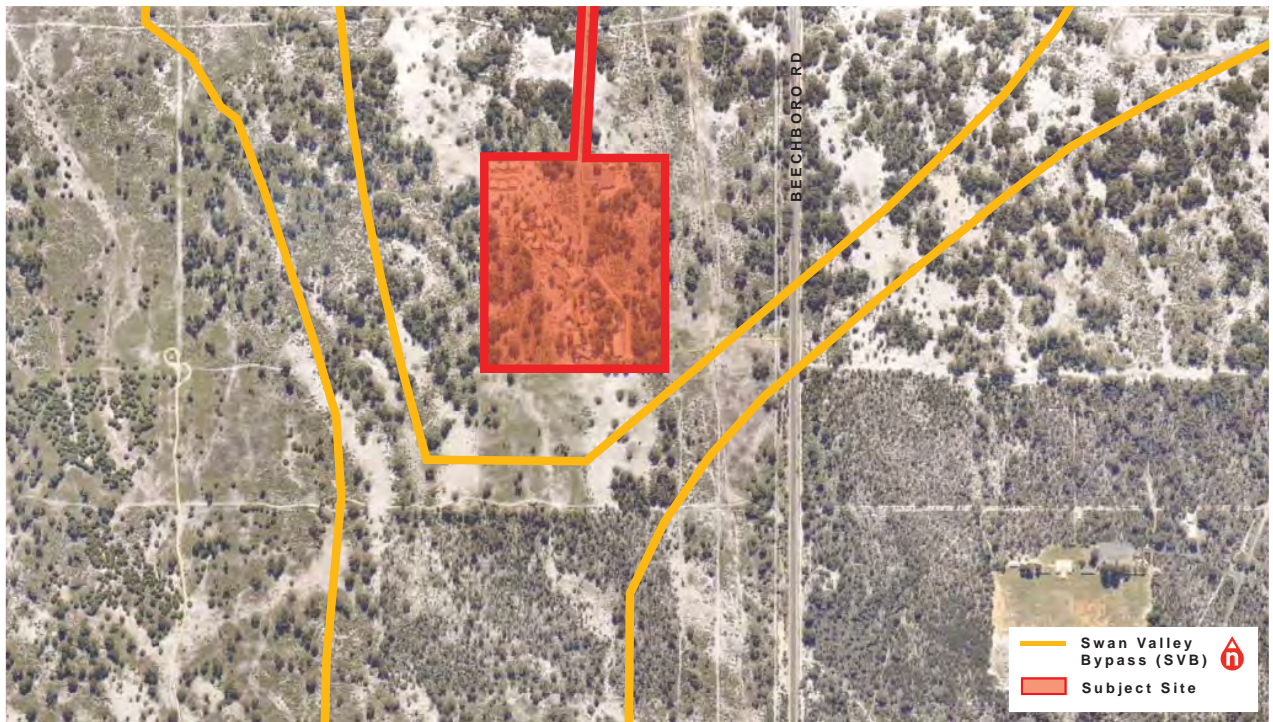


Fig 21. Aerial showing the Rick Hamersley Centre at No.920 Gngangara Road, Cullacabardee

Address:	No. 920 Gngangara Road, Cullacabardee
Heritage Status:	Not listed
Statement of Significance:	<i>The place is no longer in its original location and now exists within a precinct of new buildings. It does not make a positive contribution to its new surroundings.</i>
Construction Year:	Post-war
Historical Notes:	House has been relocated to the site as a donation to the Rick Hamersley Centre.
Description:	An inter-war bungalow style asbestos house on timber house posts with a simple hipped tiled roof with overhanging eaves at the sides. Place has a central doorway set back into the footprint of the place with veranda to the left also enclosed within the footprint of a plain rectangular building. The veranda has a timber floor and timber posts and rails forming a low enclosing fence with later masonry steps leading up to the veranda. Windows are timber framed front opening windows in sets of two or four.
Reference:	<i>European Heritage Sites of Perth-Darwin National Highway – Desktop Survey, Nayton 2012</i>



Fig 22. The Cottage. Source: Nayton (2012)

5. Discussion

5.1 Obligations

The above investigations have identified that there are two locally heritage-listed places, within the Shire of Chittering, which are afforded statutory protection under the provisions of the Shire's Local Planning Scheme No. 6 within the study area. Both these places (Muchela and the Irrigation Channels) are assigned a Management Category No.5, which means they are 'a site of some cultural heritage significance to the Shire of Chittering.'

Notwithstanding this, our desktop survey seems to suggest that the significance of these two places is related more in the intangible value and that little or no tangible evidence remains. Regardless the requirements of Shire's Local Planning Scheme No. 6 sets out planning approval is required for 'the demolition of any building or structure except where the building or structure is... included on the Heritage List under clause 7.1 of the Scheme.'

A site visit should be undertaken as a matter of priority to understand the nature and extent (if any) of historic material/evidence on site and then discussions undertaken with the Shire of Chittering to understand what processes they may require to enable the full clearance/development of the site. It is important to note that these places will be subject to the GHPDP as they meet the criteria whereby they are 'already listed on an existing heritage list...'

In addition to the above, our survey identified another site which traverse the study area - the Ellenbrook Estate Area, which is included on both the National Trust List of Classified Places and the Register of the National Estate (now defunct). Whilst these lists do not afford the place statutory protection the place will be subject to the GHPDP as it meets the criteria whereby it is 'already listed on an existing heritage list...'

In addition, there are a number of places within the study area that will need to be demolished to enable the Project to come into fruition. We have identified that some of these places will be subject to the GHPDP because they are either:

- more than 60 years old; or
- display other evidence of potential significance in terms of aesthetic, historic, social or scientific value.

From our desktop research the Forestry Department's Divisional Headquarters' and Fire Lookout will definitely be subject to the provisions of the GHPDP as it has potential significance in terms of historic and scientific value notwithstanding it was largely demolished sometime between 1980-95. We have contacted the State Heritage Office who have confirmed that this place has not previously been through the provisions of the GHPDP, which was a process initiated in 1994. Nayton's Report 2012 suggests that there may be archaeological evidence remaining on this settlement and that it is potentially of State Heritage value. The State Heritage Office consider the 'clearing' of a site, which has potential archaeological value (as suggested by Nayton's Report 2012) has the same meaning/implications as demolition and hence have advised it will need to be formally referred to them.

The GHPDP is outlined in the next section. However, to assist the State Heritage Office understand the place and to determine whether it indeed is a place of interest a certain level of information is required to be presented to them, which should include:

- Available historic records, which convey the nature and use of the site etc.; and
- Detail on the nature and extent of physical remains (if any).

There was insufficient information to determine whether the following properties were over 60 years old. These places may be subject to the GHPDP and therefore to mitigate against any risk they should be referred to the State Heritage Office for consideration:

- No. 3599 (M1606) Great Northern Highway, Muchea
- No. 3571 (Lots 5 and 6) Great Northern Highway, Muchea
- The select dwellings along Harvest Road, between Mickleham Road & Morley Drive Morley

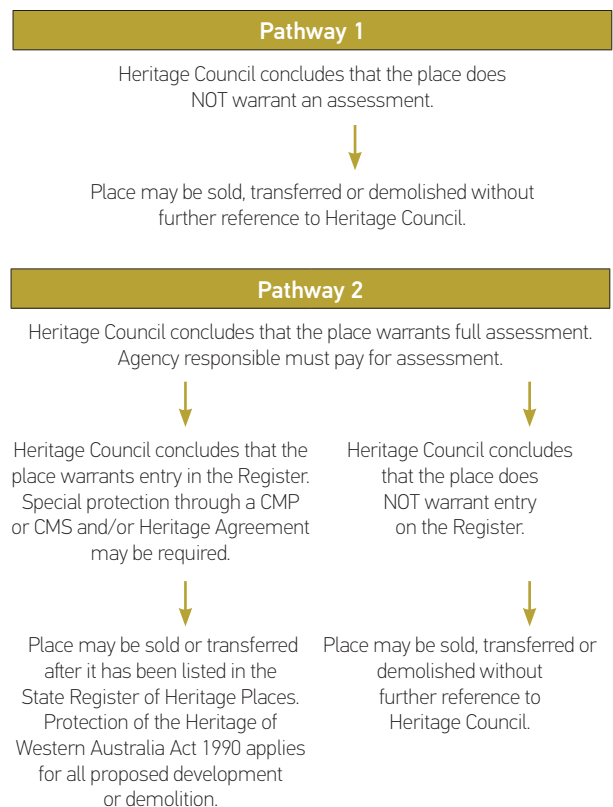
Nayton's Report 2012 identifies two dwellings in the Rick Hamersley Centre which have low levels of heritage value. These places are not contained within the study area and hence no further action is required.

5.1.1 The GHPDP Process

The purpose of the GHPDP policy is to identify and assess the heritage value of government property under consideration for disposal, and to provide relevant protection where appropriate. The following steps are involved in the process:

Step 1: The agency responsible for disposal to send the State Heritage Office details of the property being considered for disposal. This must occur a minimum of four months before disposal.

Step 2: A preliminary review is presented to the Heritage Council to determine if a heritage assessment is warranted. Depending on the outcome of the Heritage Council's consideration there are two paths forward:



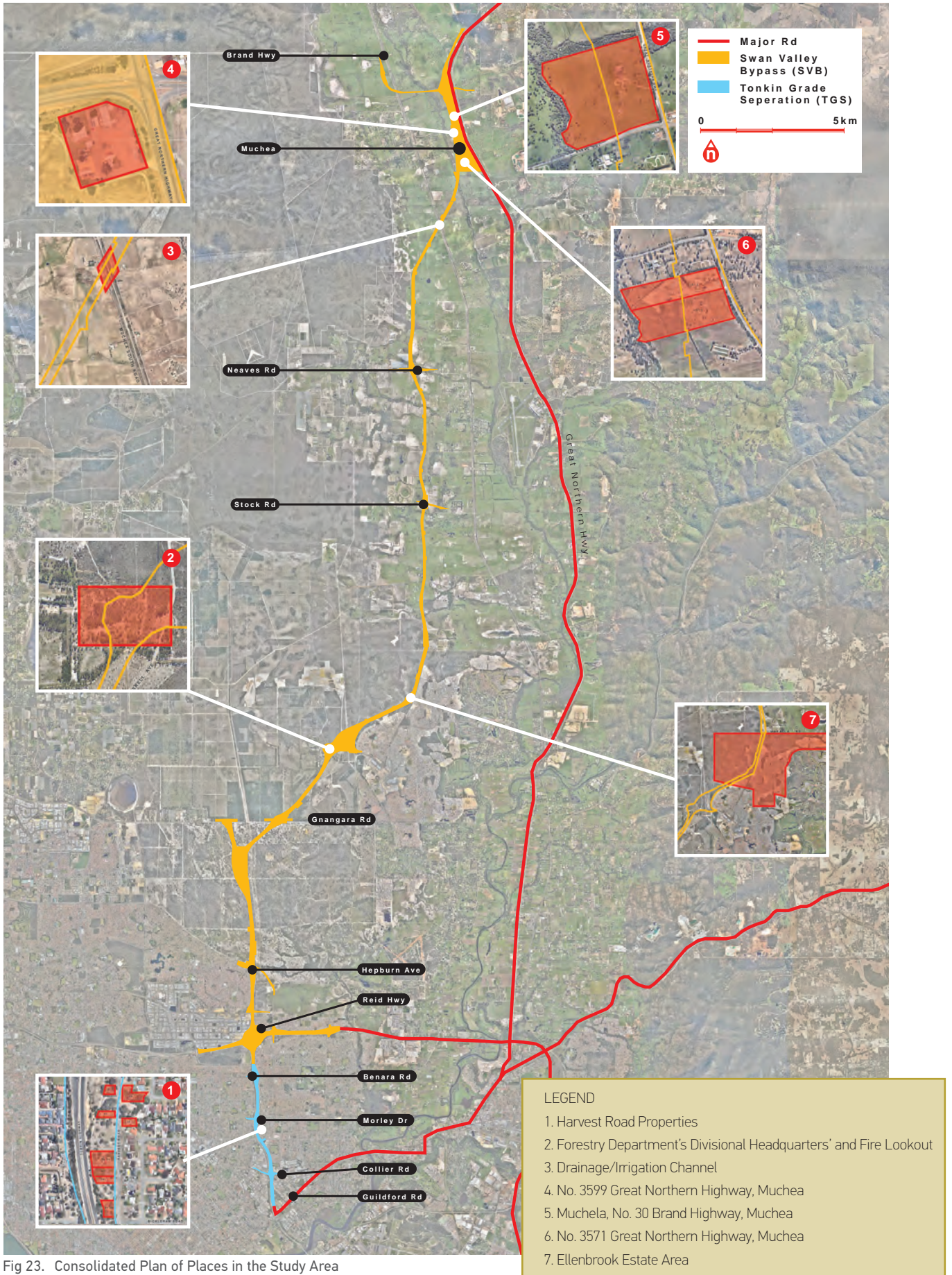


Fig 23. Consolidated Plan of Places in the Study Area

Places	Heritage List	Obligation
Forestry Department's Divisional Headquarters and Fire Lookout Lot 14910, near Gaskell Road, Lexia (north of Trainor Road, west of Ellenbrook)	Not Heritage Listed	GHPDP- The place has potential significance in terms of historic and scientific value notwithstanding it was largely demolished sometime between 1980-95.
No. 3571 (Lots 5 and 6) Great Northern Highway, Muchea	Not Heritage Listed	GHPDP - The building appears in a 1965 historic aerial. It may have been demolished to accommodate current development on site; OR may have been incorporated into the existing development. May be subject to the GHPDP.
No. 3599 (M1606) Great Northern Highway, Muchea	Not Heritage Listed	GHPDP – The building appears in a 1965 historic aerial (no imagery available from 1953) and therefore may be subject to the GHPDP.
Various Properties along Harvest Road Between Mickleham Road & Morley Drive	Not Heritage Listed	GHPDP - The dwellings are not extant in a 1953 historic aerial photograph. However they are extant in 1965. May be subject to the GHPDP.
Ellenbrook National Estate Area	Register of the National Estate List of Classified Places (the National Trust)	GHPDP – Whilst these lists do not afford the place statutory protection the place will be subject to the GHPDP as it meets the criteria whereby it is 'already listed on an existing heritage list..'
Muchela No. 30 Brand Highway, Muchea	Shire of Chittering Municipal Heritage Inventory	Planning approval potentially required under the Shire of Chittering's Local Planning Scheme No. 6.* GHPDP - As it meets the criteria whereby it is 'already listed on an existing heritage list..'
Irrigation Channel Muchea South Road, Muchea	Shire of Chittering Municipal Heritage Inventory	Planning approval potentially required under the Shire of Chittering's Local Planning Scheme No. 6.* GHPDP - As it meets the criteria whereby it is 'already listed on an existing heritage list..'
* A site visit should be undertaken as a matter or priority to understand the nature and extent (if any) of historic material/evidence on site and then discussions undertaken with the Shire of Chittering to understand what processes they may require to enable the full clearance/development of the site. The Shire of Chittering has advised that the Municipal Heritage Inventory is their Heritage List, which has been adopted under Local Planning Scheme No. 6 and hence afforded protection. Our desktop research has revealed information that suggests the Municipal Heritage Inventory has not been adopted as the Shire's Heritage List. However, moving forward it is wise to proceed on the basis that the Municipal Heritage Inventory is afforded statutory protection.		

Table 3 - List of places within the Study Area

5.2 Adjacent Places

The above investigations have identified that there are numerous places adjacent to the study area, which are included on either a Local Government Inventory (non-statutory) or Local Planning Scheme Heritage List (statutory). In addition to the statutory implications it was noted that these places each had varying degrees of cultural heritage value and accordingly different recommended management categories. These differences are summarised in the following table.

Care should be taken throughout the process to ensure the works do not adversely impact on these places, most importantly those with statutory protection. Should the study area boundaries change, steps should be taken to ensure these places are not adversely impacted or altered without undertaking proper consultation with the relevant local government authority.

It would be prudent to write to the relevant Local Government Authority to advise them of the Project and its proximity to the a locally listed heritage place. This will give the Local Government Authority the opportunity to flag to the project team any specific comments they may have in relation to their heritage places.

Places	List	List Type	Value and Management
The Barnard Spring's Trough & Wetland - No.35 (Lot 8247) Sawpit Road, Bullsbrook	City of Swan Local Planning Scheme Heritage List	Statutory	Considerable Significance Conservation of the place is highly desirable
Remnant Bushland and Wetland – No. 458 Maralla Road, Bullsbrook	City of Swan Local Planning Scheme Heritage List	Statutory	Exceptional Significance To be retained and conserved
Brady Plaster Works - Nos. 12-26 Railway Parade, Bayswater	City of Bayswater Local Government Heritage Inventory	Non-statutory	Some Significance Retention not essential. Document prior to demolition.
Cresco Fertiliser Works - Nos2-4 Railway Parade, Bayswater	City of Bayswater Local Government Heritage Inventory	Non-statutory	Demolished. Site retained on Inventory as historical record.
Dwelling – No. 115 Beechboro Road South, Bayswater	City of Bayswater Local Government Heritage Inventory	Non-statutory	Some Significance Retention not essential. Document prior to demolition.
Muchea Roadhouse - No. 3614 (Lot 30) Great Northern Highway, Muchea	Shire of Chittering Local Government Heritage Inventory	Statutory	Some Significance Encourage Retention, or document if not possible to retain
Tiwest - No. 175 Old Gingin Road, Muchea	Shire of Chittering Local Government Heritage Inventory	Statutory	Some Significance Encourage Retention, or document if not possible to retain
Wartime Airstrip - Great Northern Highway, Muchea	Shire of Chittering Local Government Heritage Inventory	Statutory	Some Significance No Management Statement
Van Oorran's House	Shire of Chittering Local Government Heritage Inventory	Statutory	Some Significance No Management Statement

Table 4 - List of places adjacent to the Study Area

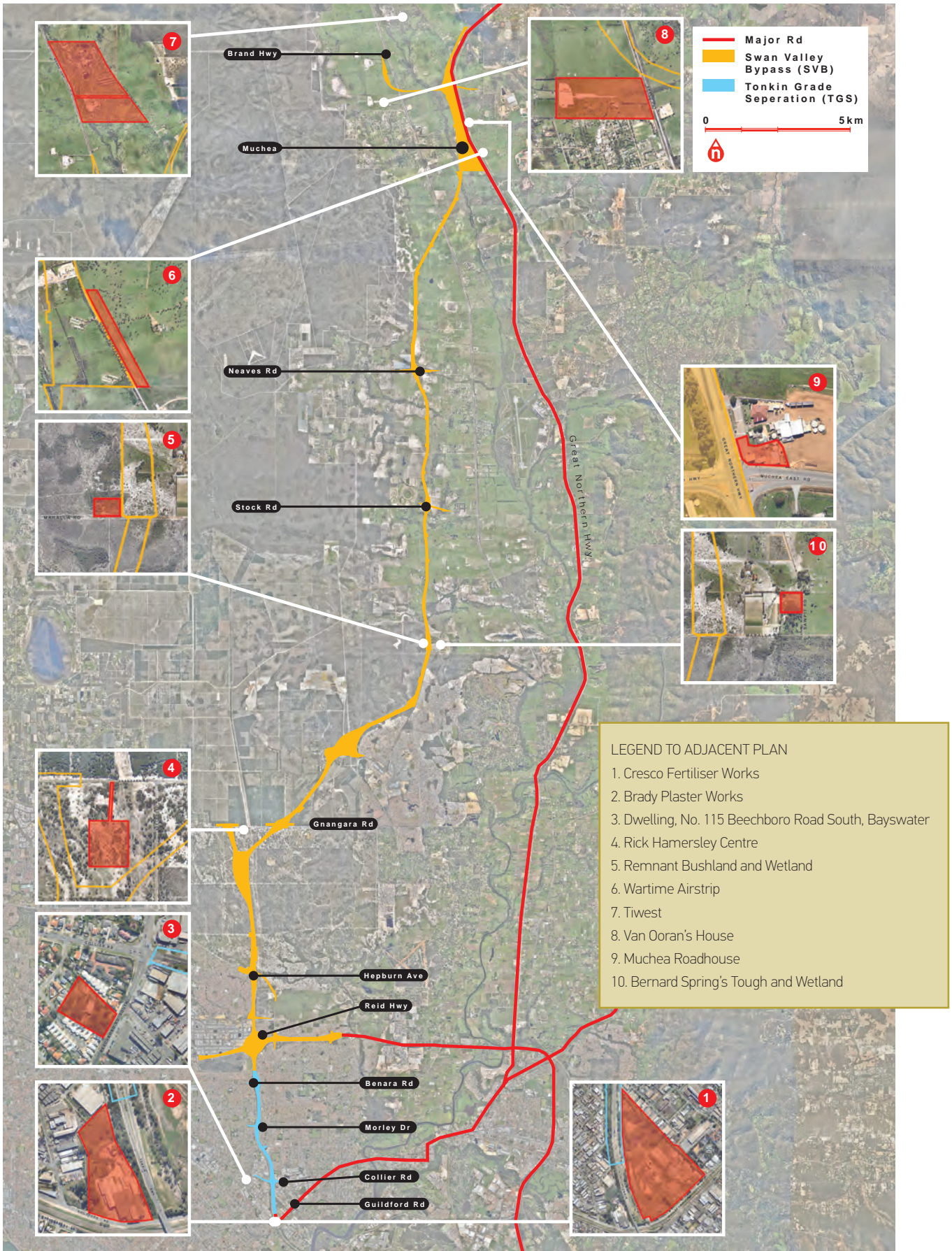


Fig 24. Consolidated Plan of places adjacent to the Study Area

6. Recommendations

The following recommendations are made to manage the impacts of the Project on the European Heritage values in and adjacent to the study area:

- Recommendation 1: Undertake a site visit to enable external photographs to be taken of the Ellenbrook Estate Area, Muchela, Drainage/Irrigation Channel and the properties along Harvest Road and Great Northern Highway that are and may be subject to the GHPDP. The purpose of the site visit should be to gain an understanding of the nature and extent of original/historic fabric (if any) remaining on site.
- Recommendation 2: Have a qualified archaeologist (Snappy Gum) undertake a site visit to the Forestry Department's Divisional Headquarters' and Fire Lookout in Lexia. The purpose of the site visit should be to take photographs of any visible remains of the headquarters and to determine the likelihood of the site's archaeological potential.
- Recommendation 3: To comply with the GHPDP prepare a letter to the State Heritage Office advising of the future demolition of properties along Harvest Road and Great Northern Highway; and the further clearance of the Ellenbrook Estate Area, Muchela, the Drainage/Irrigation Channel and the Forestry Department's Divisional Headquarters' and Fire Lookout site. Attach images and available information on these properties to assist the State Heritage Office and Heritage Council make a decision as to whether these places need to undergo the full GHPDP.
- Recommendation 4: Write to the Shire of Chittering and advise that the project is occurring and will directly impact on two locally listed heritage places - Muchela and the Drainage/Irrigation Channel. Seek confirmation on the status of these places on the Shire's Heritage List and what process is required to enable the further clearance of this site.
- Recommendation 5: Mark the places that have been identified in and adjacent to the study area on future mapping for the Project to ensure all consultants are aware of their location and the need for care during construction or with any future boundary changes.
- Recommendation 6: Advise the City of Swan, Shire of Chittering and City of Bayswater that the Project is occurring and that it is occurring in close proximity to locally listed heritage places.