


City of Subiaco - Local Government Inventory Place Record

Name	Princess Margaret Hospital
Address	1 Roberts Road Subiaco
Lot Number	R24419
Photograph (2014)	
Construction Date	1909-1987
Architectural Style	Unknown
Historical Notes	<p>The concept for a children's hospital began in 1897. Public fundraising was successful at first, then petered out in 1898, despite the fact that the land had been leased. A govt subsidy was forthcoming in 1906, and the foundation stone was laid for the first portion of the Perth Children's Hospital. The initial plan comprised medical and surgical wards, each for 20 patients, an operating theatre, quarters for nurses and administration buildings. Building of the first wing commenced in 1909, opening in June. The second stage of buildings were completed in 1913, including Godfrey House. Other additions include an Outpatient's Block (1921), Nurses' Quarters (1927) and Infants' Ward (1938). The hospital was renamed PMH in 1949. In 1961 the Paediatric Unit was built, followed by new outpatients block and main ward in 1964 and 1969. PMH became a public hospital in 1978. Recent buildings include Patient Services (1983) and Charles Moore (1987) buildings. (Ref: Spillman, Ken, Identity Prized: A History of Subiaco, City of Subiaco, UWA Press, 1985, pp. 160-8; Godfrey House Conservation Plan, Heritage & Conservation Professionals, prepared for CAMS May 2001.)</p>
Physical Description	<p>The site bounded by Roberts Road, Thomas Street and Hay Street comprises a group of substantial contemporary hospital buildings. There are two buildings extant on the site which represent the early history of the hospital. These are Godfrey House, the original Resident Medical Officer's Quarters, located on Roberts Road, and the original outpatients building constructed in 1909 located on the corner of Hay and Thomas Streets. Godfrey House is a substantial two storey painted brick and CGI building with timber verandahs. The former outpatients building is a single storey timber framed and weatherboard clad building with a CGI roof.</p>
Associations	Princess Margaret – Namesake
Statement	Princess Margaret Hospital has historic and social significance as the first and main

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of Significance	children's hospital in the State, and has social significance to the community who have used the place for health purposes.
Level of Significance/ Contribution	Level 1 State Government Property
Listings	Local Government Inventory – Adopted 28/2/1995 Local Government Inventory – Adopted 24/9/2002
Main Sources / References	Municipal Inventory Place Record Spillman, Ken, Identity Prized: A History of Subiaco City of Subiaco UWA Press, 1985, pp. 160-8 Godfrey House Conservation Plan Heritage & Conservation Professionals, prepared for CAMS May 2001.)