

Fact Sheet: Heritage & Character

Precincts WA adopts a balanced approach to local heritage and character that recognises the cultural significance of heritage places while enabling well-planned growth and renewal within station precincts.

Station precincts are locations where change is expected, and the presence of heritage values does not preclude development. Instead, it requires growth to be managed sensitively through contextual planning and quality design responses.

The Station Precincts Improvement Scheme will not alter or replace existing heritage legislation. All places entered on local heritage lists immediately prior to gazettal of Improvement Plan No. 65 - Station Precincts, together with all State registered places, will continue to be recognised through the planning and development process.

Heritage areas within station precincts are treated as locations where change is anticipated and managed, rather than avoided, with development expected to respond appropriately to the significance, setting and character of heritage places.

Development within or adjoining heritage places is required to demonstrate a respectful response to context through appropriate siting, scale, transitions and design quality, supported by sound planning and heritage justification where necessary.



This approach enables heritage values to be retained and expressed, while allowing sensitive infill and redevelopment to support housing delivery close to public transport, services and employment.

Decision-making under the Scheme will be guided by a consistent, precinct-wide approach that balances heritage conservation with broader precinct objectives for housing, intensity and urban renewal.

This ensures heritage considerations are integrated into precinct planning in a transparent and proportionate manner, supporting both the protection of significant places and the orderly development of station precincts.

