

# Irwin Shire Council

## Municipal Inventory Place Record

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**Place Details**      **Place Number:** 042      **Category:** 2      **HCWA No:** 11823  
**TPS No:** 45      **Assessment Date:** 16/10/1996      **Last Revision Date:** 20/08/2004

**Name:** Poole's House  
**Former Name:**  
**Type of Place:** House  
**Address:** 9 Short Street, cnr. Walton Street  
**Map Reference:** HUNT1:2000 BE42/35.03  
**Locality Name:** Dongara      **Area of Site:**  
**GPS Northing:**      **GPS Easting:**

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### Photograph

**Date of Photograph:** 12/07/2004      **Source:** G. W. Grundy



East (front) side from Short Street

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### Ownership

**Owner:** J. & D. Phillips      **Owner Phone/Fax:**  
**Address:** PO Box 229, Dongara, 6525

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### Site Details

**Lot/Locn:** Lot 116      **Diagram/Plan:**      **Vol/Folio:**  
**Reserve:**      **Purpose:**  
**Assess No:** 238      **Vesting:**  
**Occupied:** Yes      **Occupier:**  
**PubAccess:** No      **Lease:**

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### Uses of the Place

**Original Use:** Residence

**Current Use:** Residence

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### Description

**Walls:** Corrugated Iron

**Roof:** Corrugated Iron

**Condition:** Good

**Integrity:** High

**Original Fabric:**

**Modifications**

This small corrugated iron cottage has a hipped corrugated iron roof which extends to cover the front verandah. The verandah is supported on timber posts with infill below the balustrade. To the rear there is a lean-to with a skillion roof. The corrugated iron to the walls is fixed horizontally. Windows are timber framed, single hung, four pane. The interior features the original jarrah matchboard linings.

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### History

**Const'n Date:** c1928

**Source:**

**Architect:** Unknown

**Builder:** Poole and Wilks

The Poole family moved from Greenough with some members of the family living at Bookara Siding. The house was built about 1928 by Mr Alf E. Poole. The lot is thought to have been purchased from Francis Pearse. The house was built with a limestone footing around the sides with "jam" (acacia acuminata) stumps in the centre. Some of the ceiling timbers were collected from the beach as driftwood by Mr Poole's children. The internal linings of metal and timber were added as money became available. Mr Wilks, who lived in a timber and iron house on the north west corner of Martin and Smith Streets (demolished in 1995), helped Mr Poole build the house. The Poole family occupied the house until the late 1980s. Mr Poole was employed by the Irwin Road Board.  
(Source: Mr Colin Poole, son of original owner, IDHS Records)

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### Historic Theme(s)

HCWA

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100 Demographic settlement and mobility

4.5 Making settlements to serve rural Australia

602 Early settlers

8.14 Living in the country and rural settlements

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### Statement of Significance

The former Poole House has historic significance for its connection to the early settlement of the district. Further it is a good example of the style of corrugated cottage of its era and is one of the few remaining corrugated iron clad dwellings in the town. The place makes an important contribution to the character of the town.

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### Management Category: 2

MAXIMUM INCENTIVES UNDER THE TOWN PLANNING SCHEME.

High level of protection appropriate: provide maximum protection under the Town Planning Scheme with encouragement to the owner to conserve the significance of the place. Prepare a floor plan and photographically record the place prior to any redevelopment.

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### Other Listings

Shire of Irwin - Town Planning Scheme (45); 16/10/1996

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### Supporting Information

IDHS Records

HCWA Database No. 11823

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**Additional Photographs**

**Date of Photograph** 16/10/1996 IR042-1

**Source:** *Suba & Grundy*



South east aspect from Short Street

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