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## WOODSIDE HOSPITAL

### Interpretation Strategy

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Cover: View of Woodside from Canning Road 1908 before subdivisions commenced in 1912. The olive trees can be seen in front of the house. *Battye Library P10540*

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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

### Background

Effective interpretation is an integral part of the conservation and adaptation of *Woodside Hospital (fmr)*, since a good deal of its historic complexity will be removed for the new development. While Moore's original house will be revealed, the later uses, particularly that of its use as a government maternity hospital, will not be readily apparent. Since its use as a maternity hospital was much longer standing than the house, as beautiful as the house is, the maternity story requires a significant interpretive effort.

This document provides a strategic overview as to how interpretation can be integrated to convey identified heritage values in an adapted place where a significant amount of heritage fabric is to be removed. The strategy was commissioned by Hall and Prior to accompany a development application to the Town of East Fremantle for the conservation and adaptation of the place from maternity hospital to an aged care precinct.

The proposed development will see the retention of Moore's original residence and its conservation and adaptation. The development will require the removal of the buildings associated with the government maternity hospital. The new accommodation is to be constructed to the north, east and south of the house, leaving some of the areas that are occupied by the current maternity hospital buildings in the areas to be landscaped. The latter offers physical interpretive opportunities.

*Woodside Hospital (fmr)* is the place name recorded in the State Register of Heritage Places and is shortened to *Woodside* throughout this report.

### Historic Overview

W.D. Moore's Woodside Estate once extended from Canning Road to Marmion Avenue until subdivision of the estate commenced in 1912. The house, *Woodside*, was built in three phases comprising the main house (1897), servants quarters (date unknown) and the ballroom (1904). Following a number of short term uses, the place became a government maternity hospital in 1951, with some additions made to it and then the maternity wing was added in 1966. Although a very important and well-designed house associated with a significant State figure, *Woodside* served other uses for most of its existence.

*Woodside Hospital (fmr)* was included in the State Register of Heritage Places on a permanent basis in 1998 (Heritage Place No 0792).

### Authorship

Development designs were prepared by Kerry Hill Architects & Hassell in collaboration with Griffiths Architects who provided guidance from the earliest planning stages on heritage matters, the relationship between old and new, conservation and adaptation. A number of presentations were made to the Heritage Council of Western Australia and the State Design Review Panel prior to the finalisation of the development application.

## **Heritage Listings**

*Woodside Hospital (Fmr)* is included in the State Register and other heritage listings.

## **Implementation**

The strategy is a companion to the Conservation Management Plan and while neither is a statutory document, this document will guide the commission, design, research and authoring of the relevant content and source original/reproduction licences for images/drawings, with this document being the basis of a brief. Specialist graphics, interpretation specialists, exhibition and writer's assistance are to be sought, as necessary.

## **Recommendations**

This document identifies a range of possibilities and strategies for integrating interpretive material to the proposed redevelopment of *Woodside*. The key recommendations relate to the presentation of the whole history of the place and particularly to its use as a maternity hospital.

This document suggests a reasonable, practical commitment level of interpretation for the site, as well as identifying a series of desirable interpretive opportunities which could be further investigated.



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## 1.0 INTRODUCTION

The Interpretation Strategy is based on information contained in a variety of existing sources, with no additional research undertaken, mainly in the area of secondary sources. Much of the information was developed from the Conservation Plan by Hocking Heritage Studio completed in 2015.

The target audience of the interpretation plan will be local residents, residents of the place, visitors and staff. There is likely to be a level of interest from people born at the maternity hospital and their descendants.

### **Aims**

The aim of the interpretation strategy is to provide a framework for detailed planning and design, and then the implementation of a variety of forms, including Woodside as W.D. Moore's residence, and as Woodside Maternity Hospital in an effective and accessible manner as part of the overall redevelopment of the site. It suggests a range of approaches to tie in with the development of the site as Woodside Aged Care and aims to add another layer of experience to the place.

The document provides information for an interpretation specialist to prepare, design, document and install a selected range of interpretation strategies, including other strategies such as webpage-based interpretation.

### **Acknowledgements**

Hall and Prior commissioned Griffiths Architects to prepare this Interpretation Strategy for the development application.

The following documents were the main references for the development of this plan.

- Hocking Heritage Studio, *Woodside Hospital (fmr) Conservation Management Plan*: June 2015 for Landcorp.
- Kerry Hill Architects, Griffiths Architects and Hassell, development plans.

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## 2.0 STATUTORY HERITAGE LISTINGS AND SIGNIFICANCE

### 2.1 LISTINGS

*Woodside* has the following heritage listings:

#### Statutory

- State Register of Heritage Places: Permanent Entry, 6 February 1998, (Heritage Place no. 0792)
- Municipal Inventory: Adopted, 18 November 1997
- Local Planning Scheme No.3 – Heritage List 2015

#### Non-statutory

- National Trust Classification: Recorded not classified, 14 April 1998

### 2.2 STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Statement of Significance is the principal reference for development of the Interpretation Strategy. The Statement of Significance included below is from the Register of Heritage Places Permanent Entry documentation for Woodside Hospital:

*Woodside Hospital*, originally an imposing Federation Free Classical style single and two-storey brick and rendered town house, now converted into a maternity hospital, has cultural heritage significance for the following reasons:

the place is important as a leading maternity hospital serving the Fremantle and District community;

the place, as the main Moore family residence, is important for its association with the Moore family in general, and W. D. Moore in particular. Moore is well known as the founder of the retailers, W.D Moore & Co, and its later derivations, Dalgety's and Moore's, for his business associations in banking and insurance, and his political, pastoral and rural accomplishments in Fremantle, the North-West and throughout the State;

Moore's estate was subdivided to form a sizeable portion of the municipality of East Fremantle and the street names have associations with the Moore family;

the place is important for its associations, as a rural holding and home near the commercial centre of nearby Fremantle;

the location, distinctive size, design and presence of the place is highly valued by the community as a prominent former residence in the East Fremantle municipality; and,

the building has well crafted, high quality components assembled in a conservative manner.

The values expressed in the Statement of Significance are drivers of the Interpretation Strategy.

### **2.3 INDIGENOUS HERITAGE VALUES**

According to Department of Aboriginal Affairs Heritage Site database, there are no listings relating to *Woodside Hospital (Fmr)*.

W. D. Moore's businesses are likely to have engaged Aboriginal people in his enterprises, but no specific information was identified in relation to this theme.

## 3.0 BRIEF HISTORY

### 3.1 INTRODUCTION

This summarised history is reproduced from the documentary evidence taken from the 2015 Conservation Plan, to which reference should be made for a more detailed history. Pre-British colonial history has not been included in this summary.

### 3.2 OVERVIEW

W. D. Moore was born at Oakover in the Swan Valley in 1835 joining his father Samuel's business, marrying Susannah Monger in 1860 with who's brother he went into business in 1862. By 1868 he conducted business on his own account, with wide interests around the State as WD Moore & Co.

By 1885, he had acquired his East Fremantle location and with his second wife Annie Gallop, began to develop the estate. By 1897 he was living in his new house, though the extent of it is not described. Physical investigations completed in 2020 suggest that the house and servants' quarters were constructed at different dates, with the quarters post-dating the house. Tenders called by F.W. Burwell in 1901 may have been for the servants' quarters.

The last large-scale development of the house was the completion of the ballroom and cloakroom to the east in 1904, and shortly afterwards in 1910 Moore died.

Subdivision of the estate commenced in 1912 and by 1923 Moore's widow, Annie, left the house, following which it became a private hospital for the first time. It's use as a house was only 26 years. Adaptation of substantial houses for lying-in homes was a common phenomenon.

The place remained a private hospital, with a brief interruption during World War II before closing in 1946, to then become flats for a brief period and ownership by Crippled Children's Homes by the Sea.

In 1951, the government acquired the place for a maternity hospital which was to open in 1953. The house was adapted and substantial additions made along the Fortescue Street frontage. It continued to function as Woodside Maternity Hospital until its closure in April 2006, ending almost 80 years of use as a maternity hospital.

The place was acquired by Hall and Prior in 2017 with the intention of developing an aged care facility.

### 3.3 TIMELINE

- 1829 Fremantle townsite surveyed.
- 1835 William Dalgety Moore born at Oakover, Swan Valley.
- 1860 W. D. Moore married Susannah Monger.
- 1832 W. D. Moore and Susannah move to Fremantle.  
W. D. Moore goes into business with brother-in-law J. H. Monger Jr.
- 1867 Monger leaves and the business is renamed W. D. Moore & Co.
- 1870s Business grows with interests in many areas and in various parts of the State.
- 1870-73 W. D. Moore served as an elected member of the Legislative Council.
- 1876 Susannah Moore dies after giving birth to her twelfth child.
- 1878 W. D. Moore acquires Location 72.
- 1879 W. D. Moore married Annie Gallop.
- 1880-1889 Annie adds six children to the W. D. Moore family.
- 1884 Moore family move into a new house in Cliff Street.
- 1885 W. D. Moore acquires Swan Location 827.
- 1890-94 Development of Woodside Estate with a stone and brick house, vineyards, orchard, pigsties, well tank, sheds and fencing. This is described as a 9 room house.
- 1896 Tenders called for Woodside most likely the brick and stone house minus the kitchen, scullery, cellar and servant's quarters.
- 1897 W. D. Moore moves to live at Woodside Estate as his prime residence.
- 1901 FW Burwell, architect, calls for tenders for Woodside and this seems to have been kitchen, scullery, cellar and servant's quarters.
- 1904 Ballroom and cloak room completed.
- 1910 W. D. Moore dies on 22 April.
- 1912 Woodside Estate subdivided – Annie and daughters continue to reside at Woodside on 5 acres of land.
- 1923 Annie Moore leaves Woodside and Woodside Hospital occupies the place. First birth in the hospital recorded as being on 23 November 1923.

- 1926 Dr Edwin C. East purchases Woodside and Woodside Hospital run by sisters Florence and Irene Kiernan.
- 1928 Dr East subdivides and sells off northern portion of remaining Woodside landholding, retaining Lot 10 where he builds a house for himself, the house is extant in Dalgety Street.
- 1930-40s Woodside Hospital continues to operate.
- 1942 Ballroom ceiling removed during occupation for several weeks by civil defence first aid post. Considered for possible ARP hospital.
- 1946 Ceiling replaced largely at government expense and Woodside Hospital closes. Woodside converted to flats and occupied by seven tenant families.
- 1949 Fremantle residents present a petition for the opening of a government run maternity hospital in Fremantle.
- 1951 Government acquires Woodside for conversion to maternity hospital. Extensive alterations and additions to the building and grounds including addition of the eastern wing and addition to kitchen wing to Woodside.
- 1953 Woodside Maternity Hospital opens 23 October.
- 1956 Visitor car parking added in grounds.
- 1957 Initial grounds landscaping undertaken.
- 1963 Additions to south side of Ballroom.
- 1966 Southern ward and delivery wing added at rear.
- 1970s-90s Woodside Maternity Hospital continues to function. Changes to room usage in Woodside were carried out in response to changing requirements and social attitudes.
- 1988 Annual fundraising fete established in the grounds of Woodside.
- 1999 Woodside entered on State Register of Heritage Places.
- 2003 Cohen Report sounds death knell for Woodside Maternity Hospital
- 2003-06 Local community protests at the proposed closure of the hospital
- 2006 Patients moved to Kaleeya and Woodside Maternity Hospital closes on 3 April



2017 Place is purchased with the intent of redevelopment into Residential Aged Care and conceptual planning commences.

## 4.0 PLACE INVENTORY

### 4.1 THE PLACE

The current registered curtilage of *Woodside Hospital(fmr)* includes Part of Lot 115 on Plan 3286, being the whole of the land comprised in Certificate of Title Volume 1111 Folio 19. It is bounded by Dalgety Street to the west and Fortescue Street to the east and single residential-type development to the north and south located on former Woodside Estate land.

The place was established by W. D. Moore as his principle residence with his second wife and family and they lived in a large rural estate until Moore's death and the commencement of subdivisions that would see the land reduced to its present dimensions. Subsequent uses include a private maternity hospital, as accommodation during WWII, a short period as flats and then it became government owned and *Woodside Hospital* remained in operation until 2006.

At the point of closure the complex consisted of historic plantings and open gardens, the remains of a tennis court, at least three stages of construction of the main house (1894), servants' quarters (1897) and ballroom (1904), and then the maternity hospital buildings including the kitchen and laundry (1952) additions to the south of the ballroom (1963) and finally the southern ward and delivering wing (1966)

The proposed development will see the removal of the 1952-66 buildings and landscape elements, with retention of the following elements.

### 4.2 BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES WITHIN THE SITE

#### Existing Structures and Areas

- W. D. Moore's house- Woodside (1897)
- Servants quarters (1901)
- Part of the tennis court (c 1900)
- Olive trees (1890-1900)
- Ballroom (1904)
- Mature Trees (n.d).

#### Demolished Structures and Structures to be Demolished

- Kitchen and laundry (1952)
- Additions to the south of the ballroom (1963).

- Driveway later straightened (n.d).
- Southern wards and theatre/birth suite (1966).
- Part of the tennis court (c 1900) to be rebuilt following construction of new basement.
- Fruit trees (n.d).

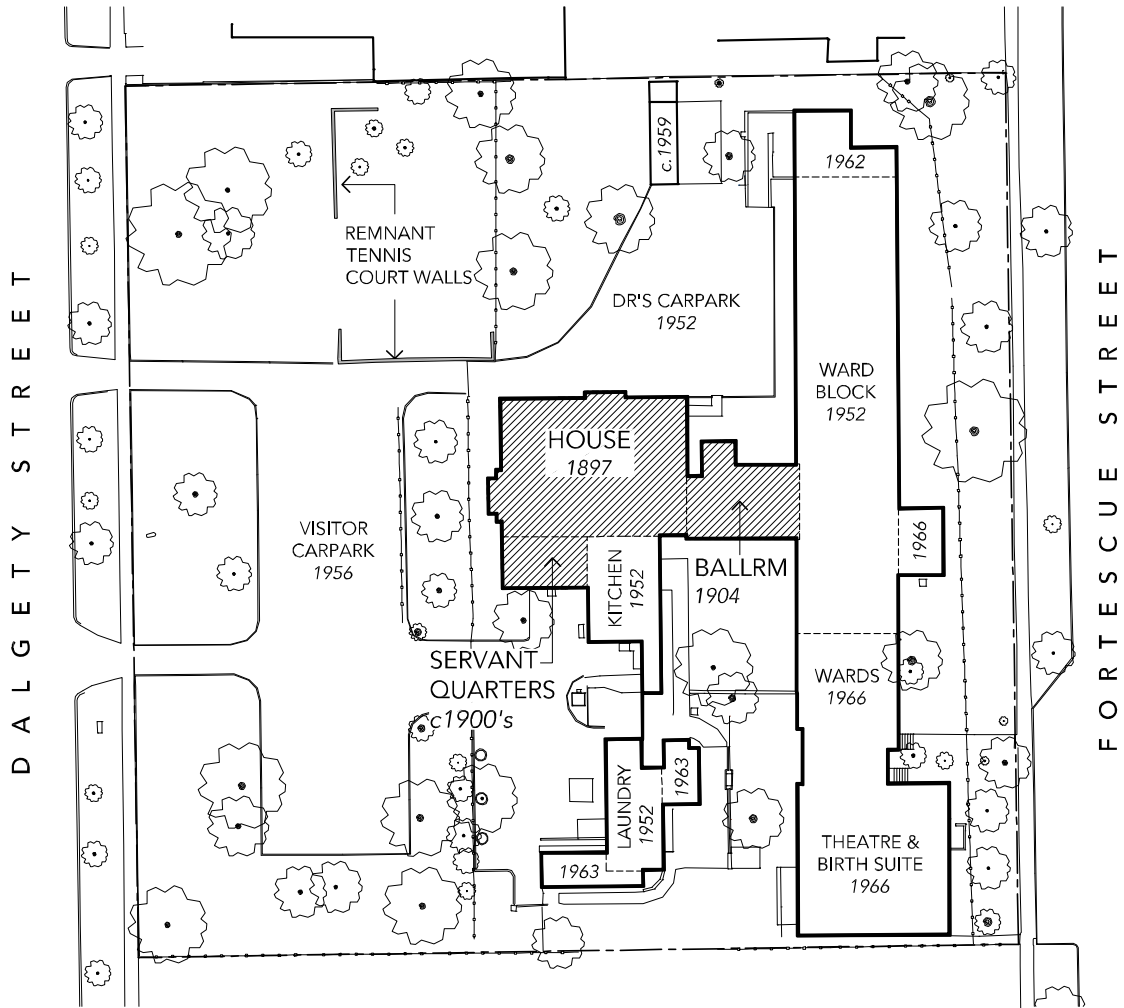
#### **Elements removed in the Past**

The following are elements removed or likely to have been removed:

- Windmills and tankstand (n.d).
- Three sets of steps leading from house to the south.
- Outbuildings.
- Fenced garden to the west.
- Bay window to north east corner of former ballroom.
- Fruit trees, grapevines

#### **Subsurface Resources:**

- Possible footings of demolished structures.
- Wells.
- Artefacts.



 BUILDING OF SIGNIFICANCE TO BE RETAINED.



## EXISTING SITE PLAN

**Figure 01** Site Plan of Woodside Hospital. *Griffiths Architects September 2020.*

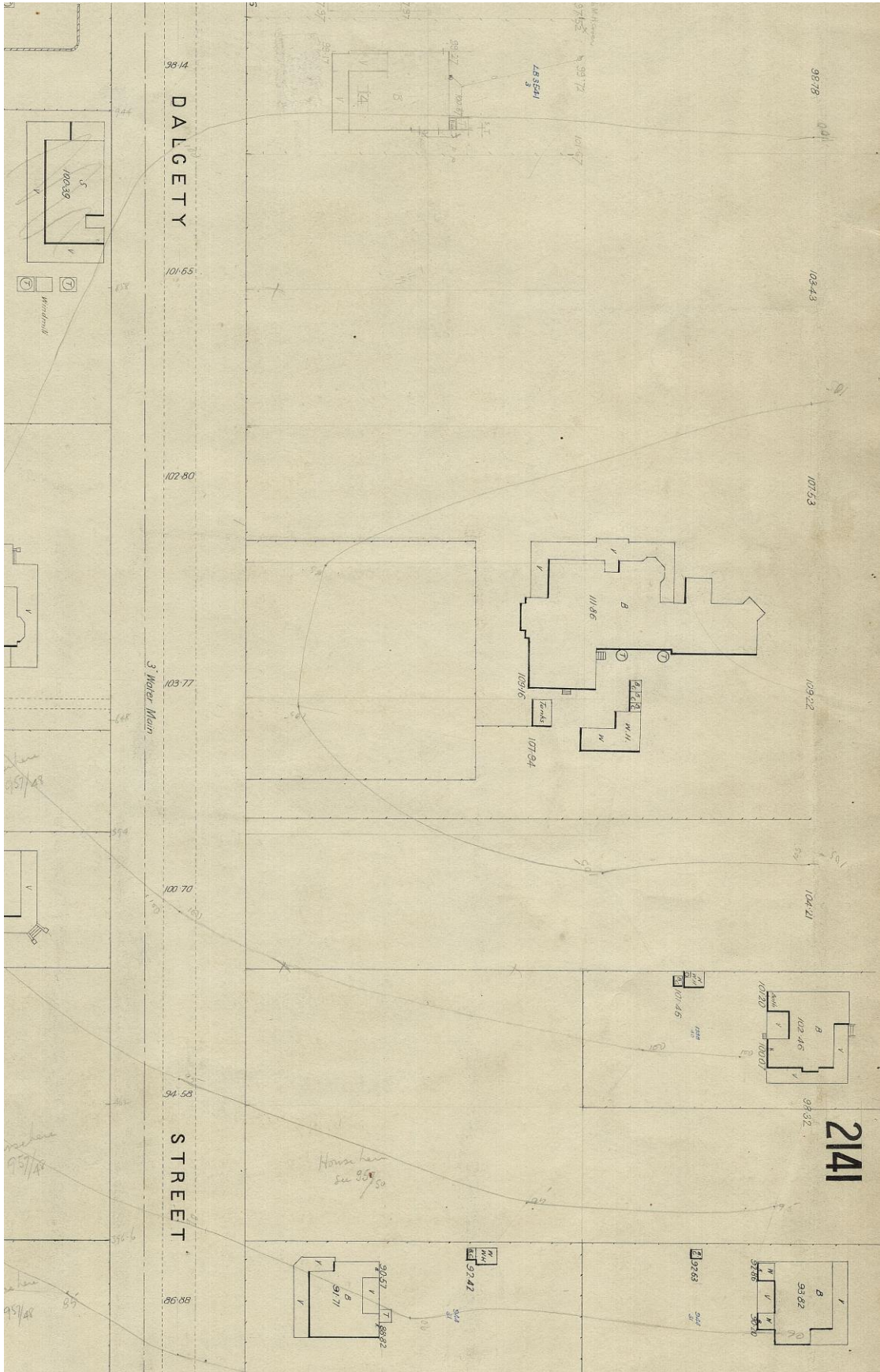


Figure 02 Metropolitan Sewerage Municipality of East Fremantle 1916, PROWA Cons. 4156 Item 1246 SROWA\_series634\_cons4156\_item2132. 19

## 5.0 KEY THEMES AND STORYLINES

### 5.1 PROJECT BRIEF

The Interpretation Strategy was commissioned for the development application and to provide a level of comfort around the interpretation of the Woodside story of home through to maternity hospital, and in particular the latter for reasons already stated. This is to assist with a better understanding of the place in its wider context, to enrich the visitor/user experience and to provide information about the elements that are to be removed in the future development of the aged care facility.

The Interpretation Strategy aims to relate the historical development of the site and its uses to identify significant elements, themes and associated personalities.

### 5.2 HISTORIC THEMES

Using the historic themes developed from the Australian Heritage Council and the Heritage Council of Western Australia in determining significance, the Woodside Hospital site encompasses the following themes:

#### **Australian Heritage Commission; Australian Historic Themes**

##### **3.10.2 Encouraging women into employment**

Accounts from nursing staff describe working at *Woodside Hospital* as young women, leaving to marry and have their own children at Woodside, and then later returning to work there. This provided them with the ability to work part-time—thereby allowing them to combine work with raising a family.

##### **3.17.1 Banking and Lending**

W. D. Moore served as a director of the West Australian Bank, had a merchant business in Henry Street, Fremantle, had interests in timber businesses in the south-west, pearling concerns and two general stores in the north, as well as the Phoenix Flour Mill and the Osbourne Hotel in Claremont, was elected as the first chairman of the Fremantle Chamber of Commerce (1885). He also held positions on the local board of directors of the AMP Society, on the board of advice of Dalgety and Co.

##### **3.24.2 Providing Hospital Service**

Following Moore's death in 1910, successive subdivisions from 1912 and final the departure of Annie Moore from the house in 1923, the place became a hospital for the first time in 1924 and following its purchase by Dr Charles East in 1926 continued as a general hospital until 1946. Finally in 1951 it was purchased by the State government and became *Woodside Hospital* in 1952 specifically for maternity care.

### **9.1.1 Providing maternity clinics and hospitals**

In 1949, the Crippled Children's Seaside Home Society bought the place and held it for a brief period until 1951 when it was purchased by the State government and became *Woodside Hospital* in 1952.

Woodside Hospital was re-opened on 23 October 1953 by the State Minister for Health, Mr Nulsen, with 26 maternity beds. In 1966, the east wing was extended to contain wards, theatres and nursing facilities. The addition released much of the space within the Moore's house for administrative functions. In the course of its history 50,000 babies were born at Woodside Hospital.

### **9.1.2 Promoting mothers' and babies' health.**

*Woodside Hospital* was innovative in establishing birthing practices that later became commonplace and was enthusiastic in responding to community needs. The staff were receptive of new technology and a birthing chair designed on the premises provoked interest from other hospitals. The hospital provided a broad range of women's health services in response to community requests. It provided a resource for home birthing and ante-natal treatment as well as providing services and support for new mothers and babies. These programmes were a response to the demands for hospitals to take on more community responsibilities.

## **Heritage Council of Western Australia Themes**

### **104 Land allocation and subdivision.**

Woodside estate is an example of a land holding being subdivided, commencing in 1912 and continuing into the 1930s when the last lots were sold by Dr East to the north of the house. The street names were named after Moore's family and associations.

### **308 Commercial services and industries.**

Refer to 3.17.1 above.

### **404 Community Services and utilities.**

Refer to 3.24.2, 9.1.1 and 9.1.2 above.

## **5.3 THEMES FROM WOODSIDE HOSPITAL (FMR) HISTORY**

Identified in the 2015 Conservation Plan's documentary evidence, the following events may contribute to the identification of relevant themes: -

**In terms of themes, the main timeframes and influences were:-**

**W D Moore's early days**

- 1829 Fremantle townsite surveyed
- 1835 William Dalgety Moore born at Oakover, Swan Valley
- 1860 W. D. Moore married Susannah Monger
- 1832 W. D. Moore and Susannah move to Fremantle. W. D. Moore goes into business with brother-in-law J. H. Monger Jr.
- 1867 Monger leaves and the business is renamed W. D. Moore & Co
- 1870s Business grows with interests in many areas and in various parts of the State
- 1870-73 W. D. Moore served as an elected member of the Legislative Council
- 1876 Susannah Moore dies after giving birth to her twelfth child

**Moore's Woodside Estate and the evolution of the Woodside and subdivision**

- 1878 W. D. Moore acquires Location 72
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1923 Annie Moore leaves Woodside and Woodside Hospital occupies the place. First birth in the hospital recorded as being on 23 November 1923.

#### **Woodside Hospital under Dr Edwin East**

1926 Dr Edwin C East purchases Woodside and Woodside Hospital run by sisters Florence and Irene Kiernan.

1928 Dr East subdivides and sells off northern portion of remaining Woodside landholding, retaining Lot 10 where he builds a house for himself.

1930s-40s Woodside Hospital continues to operate.

#### **Use by Civil Defence and other interim uses**

1942 Ballroom ceiling removed during occupation for several weeks by civil defence first aid post. Considered for possible ARP hospital.

1946 Ceiling replaced largely at government expense Woodside Hospital closes Woodside converted to flats and occupied by seven tenant families.

1948 Bertolo Miorada purchased Woodside and completed the final subdivision.

1949 Crippled Children's Seaside Home Society founded in 1941 by Alfred Hine acquired the place, but they later built a camp in Rockingham that opened in 1958. There are no records of work being done at this period.

#### **Woodside Hospital 1953-2006**

1951 Government acquires Woodside for conversion to maternity hospital. Extensive alterations and additions to the building and grounds including addition of the eastern wing and addition to kitchen wing to Woodside all to PWD designs.

1953 Woodside Maternity Hospital opens 23 October.

1956 Visitor car parking added in grounds.

1957 Initial grounds landscaping undertaken.

1963 Additions to south side of Ballroom to PWD designs.

1966 Southern ward and delivery wing added at rear to PWD designs.

1970s-90s Woodside Maternity Hospital continues to function. Changes to room usage in Woodside were carried out in response to changing requirements and social attitudes.

1988 Annual fundraising fete established in the grounds of Woodside.

1998 Woodside entered on State Register of Heritage Places.

2003 Cohen Report sounds death knell for Woodside Maternity Hospital.

2003-6 Local community protests at the proposed closure of the hospital.

2006 Patients moved to Kaleeya and Woodside Maternity Hospital closes.

### **Present Day**

The place was acquired by Hall and Prior to become an aged care facility, planned around Moore's Woodside with conservation of the original house as the focus. Moore's house will be adapted to aged care services with the ground floor being opened for community use and the first floor adapted for residential suites.

## **5.4 OTHER RELATED PLACES AND LOCALES**

The history of large estates in the inner suburbs is one of estates being subdivided up as Woodside was. Retention of large houses on large pieces of land is comparatively rare.

The following themes and storylines are those that emerged from identifying other related places and locales and are early homes on large lots, the remainder of their estates:

- *Gallop House*, (c1872), Dalkeith
- *Woodbridge* (1885), West Midland

There were numerous lying-in places throughout the State's early history, most of them in private houses. A number of maternity hospitals were purposed built.

### Maternity Hospitals

- *Hillview* (1912) in Albany Highway East Victoria Park
- *King Edward Memorial Hospital for Women* (1939) new purpose built buildings to supplement the adapted on of 1897.
- *Kensington Private Maternity Hospital* (1936) in Subiaco
- Swan Maternity Hospital (1913)

In common with Woodside, some were adaptations of previous buildings.

- *King Edward Memorial Hospital for Women* (1897), Industrial school buildings were adapted in 1916 and augmented until 1932 when new buildings were built.
- *Geraldton and Districts Maternity Hospital* (1948) but built as the Residency in 1862
- *Hillcrest* (1901) a large home was converted to a maternity hospital in 1922 until 1988.
- 13 Turton Street, Guildford built as a house (1900) and became a maternity hospital for a time from 1920.
- Nurse Lloyd's Narrabeen Hospital, Subiaco adapted from houses that were built from 1908 and purpose built buildings from 1909.

## 5.5 PEOPLE ASSOCIATED WITH THE SITE

### Architects

- **O N Nicholson**

Nicholson design and called for tenders for the first sections of the house. Nicholson practiced in Fremantle.

- **F W Burwell**

- F W Burwell drew up plans and called tenders for the house in 1901.

### Prominent People

- W D Moore founder of the estate and builder of each phase of the development of the house at Woodside
- Sister and later Matron Leggett who was employed at the hospital in its private hospital phase in 1942 and was later matron of the Woodside Hospital until she retired in 1966.
- Dr Edwin C East World War I veteran and owner of the hospital post World War II
- Irene & Florence Kiernan who were in charge of Woodside Hospital in 1926 until Florence's death in 1934 and then by Irene alone until 1940.

### Organisations

- West Australian Government Health Department.
- Crippled Children's Seaside Home Society.

### Other figures

- Lucy Lugg was one of the first midwives at Woodside, starting in 1954 and worked there for 25 years.
- Sister Del Oakley, a labour ward sister at Woodside, retired in mid-1986, after delivering more than 8,000 babies during her 20 year career as a midwife.
- Sister Janet Milne worked as a midwife at Woodside for 26 years, from 1962 to 1988.

## 5.6 KEY WORDS

The following lists a suite of key words or phrases that evoke and relate to the history and development of the place:

W D Moore	Woodside	Estate and Grounds
Vineyard	Orchard	Family
Subdivision	Private Flats	General Hospital
Government Maternity Hospital	Two generations of babies	Midwifery
Nurture	Home	Wellness
Health	Community	

## 5.7 ANALYSIS OF KEY WORDS, THEMES AND STORYLINES

### W D Moore's Woodside, Estate and Grounds and Subdivision

The site has strong connections to the history of East Fremantle, Fremantle, and Western Australia for the period of its existence as Moore's Woodside Estate. It is important for its association with the Moore family in general, and W. D. Moore in particular and the development of his wide commercial interests. Although subdivided from a sizeable portion of the municipality of East Fremantle it retains a sense of it being a rural holding with a finely designed remarkably intact house at its centre.

### Short-term Uses

Prior to becoming Woodside Hospital, the place has a number of minor stories associated with short term uses, further subdivision, and minor change to accommodate those uses, including private hospital, ARP hospital, private flats, and

Crippled Children's Seaside Home Society premises. These were short duration uses and aside from the ballroom ceiling removal appear to have required little change to accommodate them.

### **Woodside Hospital**

The longest period of use was as Woodside Hospital, which served as a leading maternity hospital serving the Fremantle and District community.

*Woodside Hospital* was re-opened on 23 October 1953 by the State Minister for Health, Mr Nulsen, with 26 maternity beds and was later extended to contain wards, theatres and nursing facilities. The addition released much of space within the original building for administrative functions. In the course of its history, 50,000 babies were born at Woodside Hospital.

*Woodside Hospital* was innovative in establishing birthing practices that became commonplace and was enthusiastic in responding to community needs. The hospital provided a resource for home birthing and ante-natal treatment as well as providing services and support for new mothers and babies. These programmes were a response to the demands for hospitals to take on more community responsibilities. Its closure sparked community concern.

### **Architects associated with the place.**

#### **O N Nicholson**

Nicholson design and called for tenders for the first sections of the house. Nicholson was an immigrant from Sweden who practiced in Fremantle after a number of years in Victoria. In the latter 1890s, Nicholson secured several prominent hotel commissions in Fremantle. Refer to [repository.architecture.com.au/wa-biographies-Olaff Nicholson](http://repository.architecture.com.au/wa-biographies-Olaff%20Nicholson).

#### **F W Burwell**

F W Burwell drew up plans and called for tenders the house, possibly the servant's quarters, kitchen and cellar. Burwell was an Scottish immigrant architect, who practiced in Melbourne and then Ivercargill in New Zealand before moving to Fremantle in 1896. In the 19 year he was in Western Australia he designed houses, churches, commercial buildings, hotels and undertook country commissions also. Refer to [repository.architecture.com.au/wa-biographies-FW Burwell](http://repository.architecture.com.au/wa-biographies-FW%20Burwell).

#### **PWD Architectural Division**

The final design of the adaptation of the place was undertaken by the Public Works Department of Western Australia, Architectural Division.

## 5.8 KEY AREAS OF THE PLACE

The interpretation of the place should work on many levels and therefore be intrinsic throughout the public areas of the site. Areas have been identified that could be treated as “focus areas” for interpretive information.

### **Fully Accessible Public Spaces During Opening Hours**

- Street frontages.
- The driveway approach.
- Former main driveway, new pedestrian pathway.
- Wellness entry forecourt and entry lobby.
- Building perimeter and pathways.
- Gardens.
- Tennis court fragment.
- Ground floor of the Woodside house verandahs.

### **Semi-Public Areas Accessible for Guests During Opening Hours.**

- Ground floor welcome lobby.
- Ground floor of Fortescue Entrance.

### **Accessible Internal Spaces of Historic Building During Opening Hours**

- Ground floor of Woodside house and ballroom.
- Entrance lobby and main stair.

### **Restricted Access Places**

- Private gardens and courtyards.
- Upper level building interiors.

## 5.9 VISITOR PROFILE

The proposed development will include entrances, ground floor cafe and public garden areas which present an opportunity to deliver interpretation to the wider community. The private aged care residences will be of restricted access to residents, their families and staff and other areas will be of limited-communal attendance.

Therefore, the hierarchical visitor profile is likely to be:

- Residents.
- Family and friends of residents.
- Staff.
- Families and people with links to the place, including children born at the place and descendants.
- Social Groups.
- By-passers.
- Cyclists, joggers, residents of immediate locality.
- People connected with the place through their own attendance.

The purpose of the Interpretation Strategy and its implementation strategies in relation to 'audience profile' is to raise awareness of the place, its history, and functions through time, and to ensure its importance as a maternity hospital is not lost when the redevelopment of the site occurs. At the same time users will gain a deeper appreciation of Woodside, its architecture and its local and State significance.

## 6.0 INTERPRETATION POLICIES

The following interpretation policies articulate the core principles and procedures to be followed when interpreting the Woodside site. The policies incorporate general interpretation best-practice principles and philosophies that apply to most places, and evaluate the issues arising from the Statement of Significance and the Conservation Plan, as well as other specific policies that have arisen from the further research and analysis undertaken for this report, and in recognition of the changes that are pending.

### 6.1 CONSOLIDATED INTERPRETATION POLICIES

#### General Interpretation Policies

1. This Interpretation Strategy is the main guiding document for interpretation of the place and forms the basis of the design of interpretation of its story.
2. Conservation of the former Woodside house and the creation of an appropriate setting is the key conservation and interpretation strategy.
3. The purpose of interpreting the place is to acknowledge, convey, and respect the identified heritage values of the place, whether accessible by the public or not. As the use of the place has had a number of iterations, interpretation should convey the storylines identified in this strategy to underline its evolution.
4. Interpretation of the place should enhance the experience and not compromise all or any part of the place that has been identified as having any level of significance.
5. Interpretation should reference the policies arising from the Conservation Plan for *Woodside Hospital (fmr)*.
6. Interpretation should embrace and reflect the place as a whole entity, its original and past uses, as well as highlight significant elements and individual stories.
7. Interpretation should acknowledge and incorporate elements extant and former elements to tell the storey of the place in its various iterations, particularly as Moore's House and *Woodside Hospital*.
8. Interpretation should include the acknowledgment of the redevelopment of the site and provide interpretation of the Maternity related buildings that are to be removed as part of the development.



9. Interpretation tools and devices should be practical, robust, serviceable, and financially manageable. Updatable electronic interpretation is also a good means of communication.
10. Interpretation should be confined to stories and material that are relevant to or provenance to the place.
11. Interpretation should be balanced and present all aspects of significance.
12. Interpretation should be well designed, integrated with the new development, enrich the experience of the place and provide an understanding of the past. To ensure this, interpretation outcomes should be considered from an early design stage.
13. Interpretation should not be restricted to didactic signage.
14. The means, manner and content for interpretation, together with its design should be carried out by an experienced professional such as a historian, archaeologist, experienced copy writer, architect, or curator experienced in the interpretation of heritage places.
15. The focus of the interpretation should be around the historic house, a means of conveying the existence of the maternity wing, and the landscape setting as this is where the significance lies.

#### **Functional Use of the Place**

16. Interpretation strategies should not interfere with the planned use of the site and developed to enrich- the experience of the residents and visitors.
17. External interpretation material should be designed and located to form a legible trail.

#### **Physical Access**

18. Arrival to, presentation of, and movement through the place all contribute to the interpretation of the place and are critical to its success, value, and accessibility of the interpretation information, tools and devices. Arrival and movement through the place must be considered in the location, design, and presentation of interpretation.
19. The main focus for interpretation should be in areas readily accessible to the residents and visitors in the setting and on the ground floor. Visits for interested outside parties should be capable of arrangement.
20. Interpretation material should be located to allow sufficient viewing space and without interrupting circulation pathways.

### **Intellectual access**

21. Interpretation should offer a range of choices to the visitors on the level of engagement and should be considerate of and accessible to a broad range of abilities and interests. There is a rich resource of documentary evidence available and a combination of words and images should be used. The limitation associated with the use and management of the place is acknowledged.

### **Reconstruction and reinstatement**

22. Reconstruction and reinstatement needs to be based on sound and reliable information in order for it to be authentic. If this cannot be achieved then evocative and emblematic reconstruction or reinstatement to aid an interpretation should be adopted. There is good evidence for the reconstruction of a number of missing and damaged external elements which will be part of the conservation works
23. There are opportunities for the reconstruction or reinstatement of missing elements within the site. Some opportunities for reinstatement are:
  - a. Stair hall stained glass.
  - b. Removal of partitions to reveal full sized rooms.
  - c. Reconstruction of first floor west facing Juliet balcony.
  - d. Reinstatement of the original granolithic verandah floor.
  - e. Removal of later partitions to reinstate former significant spaces such as the former dining room, ballroom and cloakroom.
  - f. Reconstruction of the ballroom ceiling and conservation of the ballroom's cloakroom.
  - g. Reconstruction of timber framed windows and lightwells to cellar.
  - h. Fireplaces & chimneys removed in the past.
  - i. Acknowledgment of the historic landscape setting.
  - j. Acknowledgement of buildings to be removed to allow the development to occur.

### **Objects, artefacts and related material**

24. All available primary and secondary documentary evidence material, photographs, plans and ephemera relating specifically to the place and its

history should be made available to allow interpretation to be refreshed periodically and expanded in scope if circumstances permit.

25. Arrival and movement through the redeveloped place will offer opportunities for interpretation, which might include the display of archaeological material.
26. Subsurface artefacts that relate to wells and windmills should be retained and could be interpreted in the landscape.

### **Signage**

27. The use of signage in interpretation should be approached as only one mechanism or tool available to convey information and stories, as the setting and buildings are opportunities for interpretation within their inherent features.
28. Interpretive and directional signage, should not create visual clutter. Interpretive signage should be readily distinguishable in style from other signage types.
29. Signage should employ a hierarchical presentation of information so that important information is stated clearly and then supported by additional or other relevant information. Generally didactic panels should use images as much as possible and keep text to 140 words or less.

### **Interpretive Landscape**

30. The view of the historic Woodside from Dalgety Street is a visually significant statement original entry from the first recorded mapping, even though the configuration has changed. A pedestrian heritage trail along this movement route is recommended.
31. New landscape elements that are part of the house setting are to make reference to Moore's estate and the relocation of early plantings, general arrangement and planting should be evocative of both the estate and the hospital period of development and use.

## 7.0 INTERPRETATION STRATEGIES

### 7.1 INTERPRETIVE VISION

Interpretation of the *Woodside Hospital (fmr)* site will aim to highlight the historic significance of the place and its social value, enhance the enjoyment and understanding of it, and facilitate future use of the site. Interpretation implemented on site, and through other means, will contribute to the appreciation of its past, compliment the present, and guide its future in an evocative, emotive, popular and challenging way.

Interpretation should communicate the key storylines of the place as Moore's Estate, its gradual reduction, the minor themes of intervening states and the significant Woodside Hospital maternity hospital theme.

### 7.2 STRATEGIES

The purpose of the interpretation strategies is to present a vision for interpreting the place by aligning the key themes and storylines with the interpretation policies. The strategies are a guide to what needs to be interpreted and the most appropriate place and/or mechanism to present the information and stories. It is not the purpose of interpretation to tell the "whole" story or "all" of the stories, but merely to evoke and allude to them and provide enough information to make the experience meaningful.

Interpretation strategies should be approached as inter-linked and connected to avoid repetition of stories, saturation of information and visual/ aural clutter. All devices and mechanisms support each other and together provide a balance of context and information. Each should be assessed and employed in relation to what story they would tell best according to the medium.

The following is a suite of interpretive strategies that would be appropriate to be implemented at the Woodside site. It is important to note that the following strategies are not presented in any order of priority nor on the assumption that all of them will be implemented. Some would be considered as essential and others would be implemented if and when opportunities arise. The bulk of these strategies should be undertaken with the works, while collections based interpretation should be undertaken when there is a management regime in place and collection material is not at risk.

### **7.2.1 INTERPRETING DEMOLISHED STRUCTURES IN THE LANDSCAPE AND BUILDINGS**

There are opportunities to represent demolished structures and elements in the development. Consideration should also be given to the materials chosen as a way of alluding to its former function, and reference should be made to the Conservation Plan's Documentary Evidence should the replication of original materials be desired.

The maternity hospital buildings erected in the post-World War II period are to be removed and their presence needs to be recorded in a physical way in the landscape and interior areas by recording the places in robust materials and telling a brief story about these elements including their construction date and purpose.

The materials of the buildings erected in this period are to be employed in the architectural resolution of the new buildings.

The original approach to Woodside is long gone, but the approach from the west has been in place for a sustained period. This pathway entrance/driveway will be interpreted by means of a pedestrian heritage track which is evocative of the former use and maintains the original picturesque view of the historic buildings from Dalgety Street. This element might include a sequential timeline embedded in paving or furniture.

The remnant stone edged tennis court walls will be demolished to facilitate the construction of the new northern wing and basement. The southern portion of the tennis court east, west and south wall fragments are to be reconstructed with the existing stone in the current location and will frame a new recreation area, evocative of the former use of the space. Retention of a part of the tennis court will convey the use of the place as a family home, and later when the space became a children's playground associated with the maternity hospital.

### **7.2.2 LANDSCAPE**

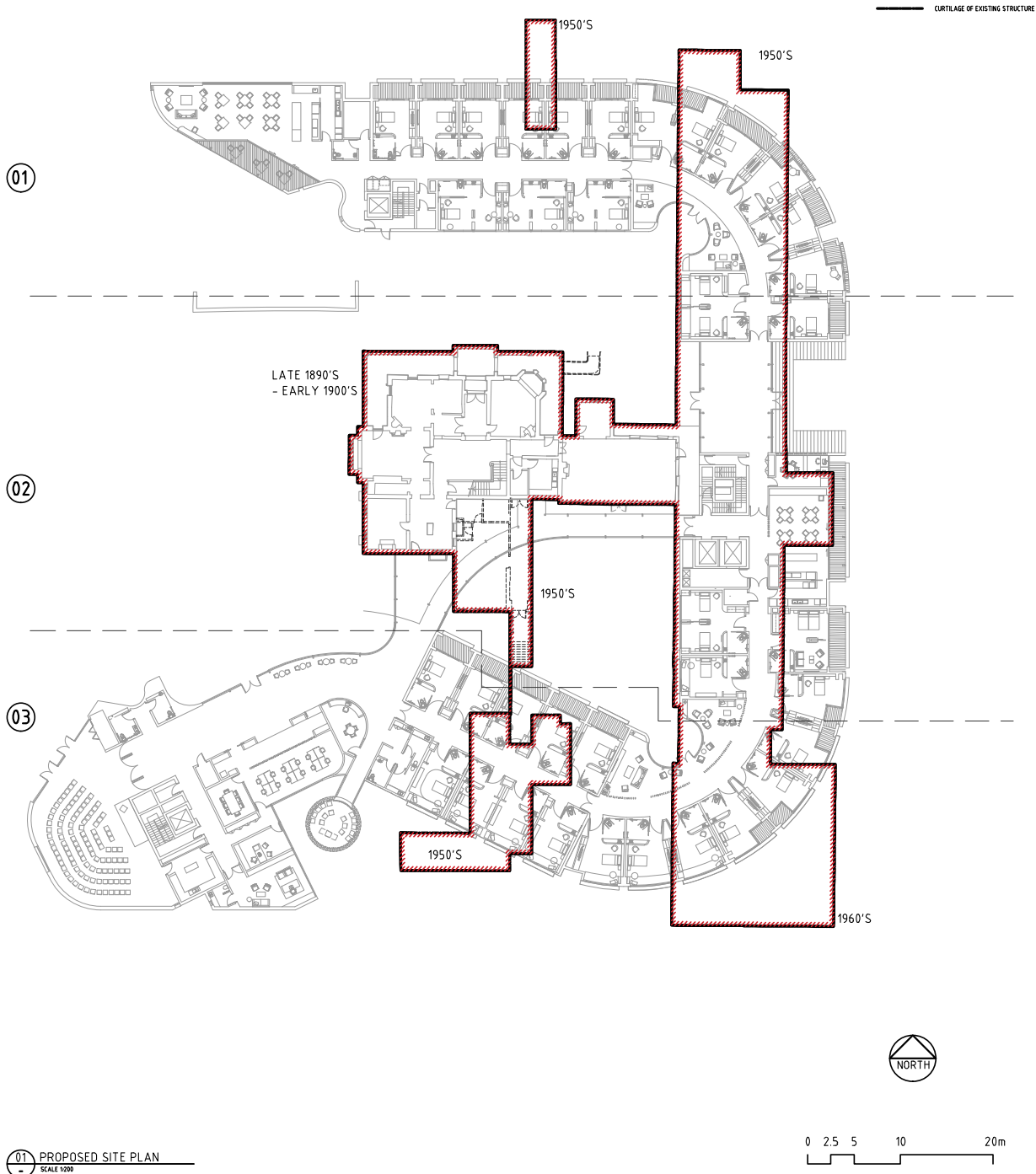
Woodside Estate is much reduced in size and its nature has changed, while the strongest architectural elements have remained as a reminder of the once rural estate. The approach to the house has changed from the north to the west, a process that would have commenced since the first land subdivisions. The driveway to the north of the house has been relocated from time to time too. The earliest photographs indicate the presence of olive and other trees, in an informal, park-like landscape. As a former rural holding, the pastoral uses of the place are revealed in photographs that show grape vines, a chicken coop and fruit trees.

An important part of interpretation is the landscape setting and for it to acknowledge the long lineage of the place, the approach to the house from the west, the early

plantings and general park-like tenor of earlier landscapes as well as the 'productive' use of the landscape for cultivation. The balance between the park-like setting (ie a combination of lawns, recreation space, and large shade trees arranged in an unstructured manner), productive garden history, amenity, and revealing views to the house is a delicate one.

The planting envisaged to the north and west of Woodside is to reflect these themes and needs to be explained through images and text to demonstrate the origins and approach, the trans-plantings and interpretive new plantings in a very brief form to on the western side of Woodside.

Building footprints might also be used in the landscape to communicate the stories of *Woodside Hospital* buildings that are required to be demolished to achieve the proposed development. Refer to Figure 4 for site map, and appendix drawings 1- 7 for greater detail.



**Figure 03** Proposed site map with existing curtilage shown red, Griffiths Architects 2020.

### 7.2.3 HERITAGE TRAIL/TIMELINE

The main drive from the west is longstanding and is an important feature that contributes to the cultural significance of the place. Though not the original approach, it is a longstanding one and has been the main approach to Woodside following subdivision and possibly as early as 1916 (Refer Photographs 8, 9 & 10).

At a number of locations along this path, the procession should include a timeline with the key stages of the site's development discussed in words and images to include.

- Moore's story and significance.
- Acquisition of the Woodside Estate.
- Development of Woodside's first two stages.
- Development of the final stage with the ballroom and the nature of the Woodside Estate.
- Moore's death and subdivision.
- Short-term uses.
- Woodside Hospital as a maternity hospital, its longest standing story.
- The Woodside Health Precinct transformation.

This might conclude at the point of entry to the front verandah.

Some of the sources that might be used in interpretation follow.



**Photograph 01** W. D. Moore (seated) & S. F. Moore, ca. 1873, SLWA.



**O** N. NICHOLSON, Architect, Market-st., Fremantle, invites TENDERS for erecting the first section of a large Brick and Stone Two-storey RESIDENCE for W. D. Moore, Esq., at his Garden, Woodside.

Plans and Specifications obtainable at the office as above.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

Photograph 02 Newspaper article, The West Australian 14 November 1896, p6.

Architect.  
South British Chambers, Barrack-st.

**T O B U I L D E R S.**

TENDERS are invited until August 1 for large TWO-STORIED RESIDENCE at Richmond, for W. D. Moore, Esq.

F. W. BURWELL, F.R.I.B.A. (London),  
Architect,  
Town Hall, Fremantle.

Photograph 03 Newspaper article, The West Australian 1 August 1901, p6

## R.S.V.P. Column

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A delightful afternoon was given by Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Moore in honor of Mrs. J. B. Percy and family, who have just returned from England, and are staying at "Woodside," East Fremantle, the residence of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Moore, until Friday next, when they leave for Geraldton for a time. There were a number of guests present, and among them several old friends of Mrs. Percy, who were all delighted to welcome her back again. The hall, drawing-room, and ball-room were all daintily decorated with flowers, pot plants, and beautiful palms, and numerous lounges, small tables and chairs everywhere. Very enjoyable vocal and instrumental music was contributed during the afternoon by Mrs. L. Solomon, Misses Gertrude Sykes, Vida Rogers, Rachel Percy, and Dorothy Moore. During the afternoon the Misses Moore (3) dispensed afternoon tea. Mrs. A. G. Knox very kindly played the accompaniments to the various songs. Among those present were Mesdames J. W. Hope, L. Clifton, C. Irvine, George Pearse, E. Allnut, Duncan, Patterson, Theo. Amsden, J. Humble, Sendey, A. T. White, W. Dermer, S. Moore, Worsley Clifton, F. W. Martin, Knox, Blackall, Hannay, Reg. Day, Preston, W. Ross, Elliott, F. Viles, George Martin, A. Mitchell, Norman Wright, Miller, J. P. Learmonth, L. Webster, J. Church, Rischbeith, Lodge, Fowler, J. Morrison, Misses M. Clifton, Moss Fothergill, Mills, Carrie Moss, Elsie Evans, Jeston, Finnerty, and E. Finnerty.

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Photograph 04      Newspaper article, The Mirror, 03 August 1907, p25

My Fremantle correspondent writes:—  
A few pleasant hours were spent on Saturday afternoon last at "Woodside," Richmond, East Fremantle, the residence of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Moore, when Mrs. Moore gave an "at home" in honour of Mrs. J. B. Percy, who has just returned with her family from a prolonged visit to England. The gathering was an unusually large one, and Mrs. Moore's kindly forethought in arranging it was greatly appreciated by so many of Mrs. Percy's old friends, who were thus given an opportunity of a happy reunion. The afternoon passed most pleasantly in chatting with friends and listening to very delightful vocal and instrumental music, the beautiful ballroom of "Woodside" lending itself so admirably for the purpose. Mrs. Moore and Mrs. Percy received the guests in the hall, and during the earlier part of the afternoon the drawing-room was used for music. Later on the guests all adjourned to the spacious, handsomely-arranged ballroom, where Miss Gertrude Dyson charmed everyone with her pianoforte solos. Miss Dyson has recently arrived from Germany, where she has for some considerable time pursued her musical studies. Mrs. Lacey Solomon and Miss Vida Rogers contributed vocal solos, which were greatly enjoyed. Miss Rachel Percy gave during the afternoon a bright pianoforte solo. The accompaniments to the vocal music were kindly played by Mrs. A. G. Knox.

Photograph 05 Newspaper article, The West Australian Perth 29 July 1907 pg 4.



Photograph 06 Woodside in the early days, ca. 1908, SLWA.





**Photograph 07** North view of Woodside ballroom and cloakroom. SLWA BA295/43



**Photograph 08** North west view of Woodside and tennis court in foreground. Tank and stand are visible to far right. SLWA 001581PD



**Photograph 09** North east view of house and ballroom. SLWA 24745PD



Photograph 10 Iris Moore left, other rider unidentified. SLWA 24766P.





**Photograph 11** Patrick Moore, perched on motor cycle with Anne Moore at Woodside. SLWA BA295/142.

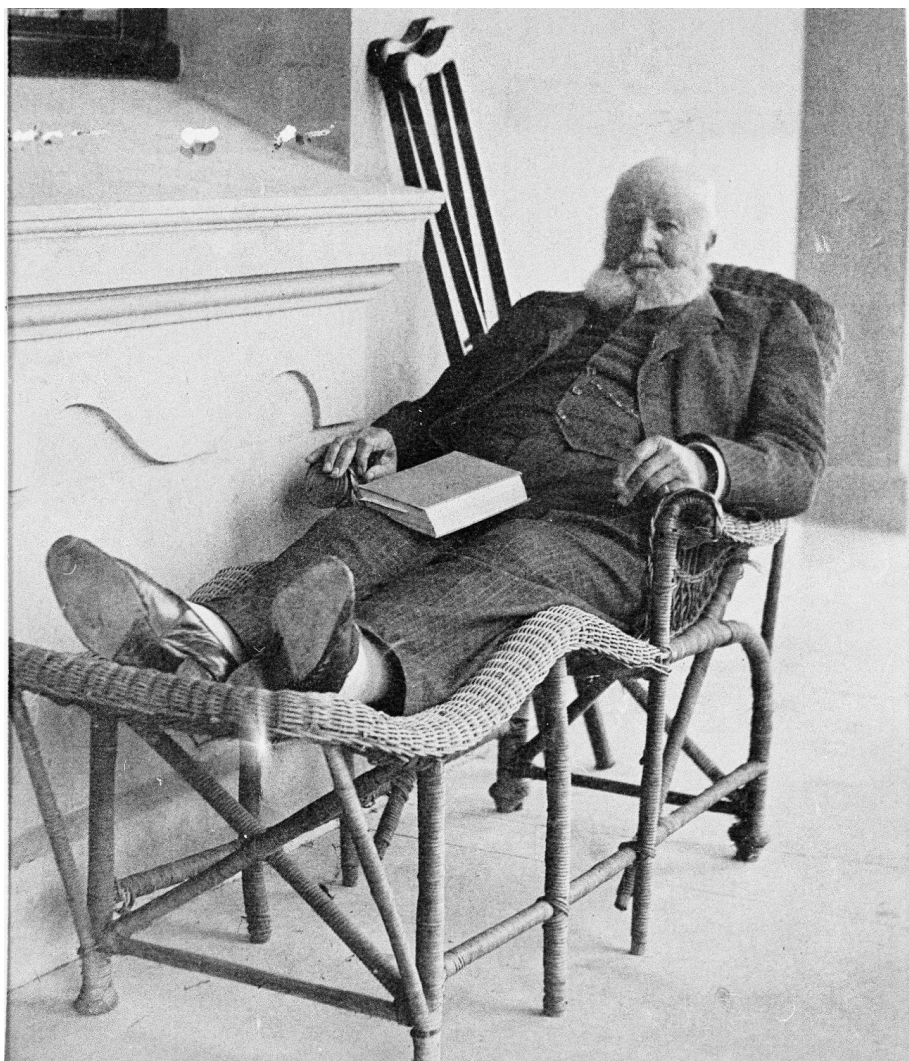




Photograph 12 Ann Moore on motorcycle, with Patrick Moore. SLWA BA295/145.



**Photograph 13** Harold Boltby, with child Joanne, Dorothy (?) Moore and dog at Woodside. SLWA BA295/144.



**Photograph 14** William Dalgety Moore on wicker reclining chair. Crutches to hand. SLWA BA295/150.



**Photograph 15** North View of House and Ballroom. SLWA 25009P



**Photograph 16** Three women posing at the ground floor verandah of Woodside. SLWA 24723PD





Photograph 17 Sir Oriel Tanner outside the front of Woodside. SLWA 24720PD

## MR. W. D. MOORE.

(See Portrait.)

At his residence, "Woodside," East Fremantle, on Friday of last week, there passed away at the ripe age of 74 years an old identity whose name will ever occupy a place in the history of the State, in the person of William Dalgety Moore. For several months past the late Mr. Moore's health has been most indifferent, and some days ago he took to his bed. Despite the closest of medical attention, however, he gradually sank, and in the presence of his family passed away at 11 o'clock yesterday morning.

The deceased was born at Oakover, on the Swan River, in 1835, his father, the late Samuel Moore, being one of the pioneers of the colony. When a youth of 15 the deceased commenced his career in the office of the then Surveyor-General (Mr. J. S. Roe), where he remained for four years. The adventurous spirit that prompted the sire to leave the old land for Australia proved to be inherited by the son, for at the age of 19 years he relinquished his appointments in the Government service, to accept a position on the station of Hammersley and Co., in the Irwin River district. The settlements, which was stocked with a few thousand cattle and seven or eight thousand sheep, was in a practically isolated position, the only visitors being wandering tribes of blacks. The painful experiences which so many pioneers endured through the native interference were, however, not shared by the late Mr. Moore, who gained their friendship by kindly though firm treatment. That his confidence in the blacks was not misplaced is shown by the fact that during the time he was on the station he opened up by trips of exploration without the slightest molestation a great area of new country. His success among stock soon brought him reward, for, although very young, he was entrusted with the management of the property. While occupying this position he joined, by invitation, an exploring party organised to open up country in the Gascoyne. With this party, which consisted of Mr. F. T. Gregory as leader, and Messrs. Roe, C. Nairne, and a Government chainer and a native, the late Mr. Moore did some splendid pioneering work. The expedition occupied five months, and the following year the deceased accompanied by only two others penetrated into the country leading to the Murchison. Stock at that time was being driven a distance of 256 miles to Perth, and the prices ruling at that time were much lower than present day rates. In 1862 the deceased decided to settle in Fremantle, and, resigning his position as station manager, commenced business as a merchant at the Port. The keen business instincts which enabled him to conduct so satisfactorily the affairs of his employers while managing their property in the country, were even of greater value in the more varied business in which he embarked—and he prospered. While still giving attention to other mat-

ters the late Mr. Moore carried on his business as a merchant at Fremantle until 1900, when it was taken over by Mr. P. F. Moore. The deceased was in his day one of the most prominent members of the local Chamber of Commerce, occupying the position of president for 10 years. For 9 years he was a director of the W.A. Bank, and for a considerable period was on the local board of directors of the Australian Mutual Provident Society, and also on the board of advice of Dalgety and Co. Mr. Moore had large pastoral properties, including the Cheriton Estate, sold some time ago to Messrs. Harper and Wedge, and Milledon. In 1870 the late Mr. Moore was a member of the first elective Legislature, representing Fremantle. After remaining in the House for three years, his duties in the commercial world, he found, gave him an insufficiency of spare time for politics, and he retired. In 1890 he was appointed a nominee member of the Legislative Council under Responsible Government, and occupied a seat in the Upper House. The deceased, too, was manager of one of the first timber stations established in Western Australia at Quindalup, in the Busselton District. He was also largely interested in the pearling industry on the North-West coastline and ever had quite a repertoire of fascinating tales to relate regarding this pursuit. On one occasion he secured one pearl, which, on sending to London, he received in return a draft for £1,500. He was engaged in pearl fishing at Sharks Bay from 1877 to 1887. The pearlshell then being recovered was of a smaller size than that now being obtained, but a ready market was secured for it in France, several hundred tons being shipped monthly to the port of Havre. The deceased, it is stated, also erected the first roller flour-mill in this State, building the Phoenix mill in Essex-street, Fremantle, on the site of an old stone milling plant which had been destroyed by fire.

To mourn his death, the deceased leaves a wife, two brothers—Frederick Henry Moore, of Sydney and Samuel Fortescue Moore, of Claremont and Dongarra, a sister—Mrs. Charles Wittenoom, of Adelaide-terrace, Perth, five sons and nine daughters.

The respect in which the late Mr. W. D. Moore was held by the people of this State was evidenced by the large number of friends who followed his remains to their last resting-place on Saturday.

## A VALUABLE ESTATE.

### THE LATE MR. W. D. MOORE.

Probate has been granted of the will of the late Mr. William Dalgety Moore, who died on April 22, 1910, at Woodside, Canning-road, East Fremantle, at the age of 74 years. The value of the deceased's estate is stated not to exceed £101,116 0s. 7d., the value of the real estate being set down at £23,385, and the balance being personal estate.

By his will, which bears date August 6, 1901, the late Mr. Moore bequeaths his farm and lands on the Swan called "Oakover," with all stock thereon, to his son William Dalgety, Lot 441, Fremantle, on which are built two warehouses, to his son Charles Ernest: the property on the Swan, known as "Millendon," subject to certain leases, to his son Albert William; Swan locations 72 646, 650, and 827, comprising 138½ acres, known as "Woodside," to his wife, Annie Moore. The trustees are authorised to carry on any business in which the deceased was engaged at the time of his death until they can make a suitable arrangement for disposing of such business; and the trustees are also authorised to sell any of testator's real estate to his sons. The trustees are further directed to allow testator's sons reasonable time for the payment of the respective amounts owing by them for the several businesses sold to them by the deceased. The deceased directs that the following legacies be paid out of the proceeds of the estate:—To his daughters—Mary (known as May), £1,000; Amy Harston, £3,000; Violet Hope, £4,000; Susanna Dora, £4,000; Annie, £4,000; Rose, £4,000; Zoe, £4,000; Winifred Dorothea, £4,000; Iris Vivian, £4,000; and to his wife, Annie, £4,000. The legacies to the children are to be payable on their respectively attaining the age of 21 or on their marriage. To each of his sisters—Mary Elizabeth Moore and Annie Fletcher Wittencoom—the testator leaves £2,000; to his brother, Samuel Fortescue Moore, on the fulfilment of a certain condition, £200; and to his son, Hugh Augustus, £2,000. The deceased further bequeaths to his wife his horses, carriages, plate, household furniture and effects, and a legacy of £600 a year or, at the discretion of his trustees, such sum as they shall deem sufficient, so long as she remains a widow.

In a codicil bearing the same date the testator increased the amount bequeathed his brother S. F. Moore from £200 to £500, and made him a trustee under the will. William Dalgety Moore and George Fred. Moore are also appointed executors, with a remuneration of £1,000.


Photograph 19 Newspaper article, Western Mail 4 June 1910, p44.



140 acres subdivided into 400 Beautiful Residential Sites in East Fremantle

# WOODSIDE ESTATE

**FOR SALE**  
 By Public Auction  
 on the Ground at 3-30 pm  
 on **SATURDAY JUNE 22nd**



... Concession to Buyers  
 of 3 lots — 3 years Terms

WOODSIDE ESTATE: 140 Acres subdivided into 400 Beautiful Residential Sites in East Fremantle. The Estate is situated on the East Fremantle Peninsula, and is bounded by the Indian Ocean to the South and West, and by the Fremantle Harbour to the North. The Estate is divided into 400 lots, each of which is a beautiful residential site. The lots are of various sizes, and are situated in a beautiful and healthy locality. The Estate is a most desirable investment, and is a most valuable asset. It is a most desirable investment, and is a most valuable asset. It is a most desirable investment, and is a most valuable asset.



**Subject in Reg Plan**

*Sole agents for the Vendor*  
 The Trustees of the Estate of the Late W.D. Moore

## J.J. & F.G. HIGHAM

Auctioneers 44 High St Fremantle

*Hope & Klem*  
 Surveyors & Valuers  
 27 Market Street Fremantle

Photograph 20 Woodside Estate Subdivision, ca. 1912.



WEDNESDAY, JULY 19.  
In the ROOMS, 69 HIGH-STREET,  
**FREMANTLE.**  
At 3.30 o'Clock.

**A MAGNIFICENT RESIDENCE,**  
**"Woodside House," EAST FREMANTLE.**

**ROBERTSON BROS. Ltd.**

and  
**J. J. and F. G. HIGHAM**

(Auctioneers in conjunction) have been instructed by the Trustees of the Estate of the late W. D. Moore, to Sell as above, the well-known Residence—

**"WOODSIDE HOUSE,"**

Canning-road, **East Fremantle.**

Containing beautiful **ballroom**, 42ft. x 22ft., with specially prepared floor; dressing-room, exceptionally large dining-room and drawing-room, spacious entrance lounge, smoke-room, kitchen, pantries, storerooms, 8 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms (beautifully fitted), 2 maids' rooms and sitting-room; e.l. and sewerage installed; spacious out offices.

This is a magnificent home, splendidly constructed with the best of material throughout, and most conveniently designed.

The Residence is surrounded by 6½ acres of ground, nicely laid out, charmingly situated on the hill, close to the Canning-road tram.

**Inspection by Appointment.**

Photograph 21 Woodside House auction, advertisement 9 July 1922.



**Photograph 22** Woodside as a private hospital, ca. 1928, SLWA.

## £77,000 MATERNITY HOSPITAL TO OPEN

Woodside, a new maternity hospital in Dalgety-st, East Fremantle, will be opened by Health Minister E. Nulsen on October 23.

Mr. Nulsen said yesterday that the premises were purchased from the Crippled Children's Seaside Home Society in April, 1951, for £8500.

Approval was given in Feb. 1952 for alterations, renovations and additional building to provide accommodation and facilities for 26 maternity patients and staff.

"Patients will be accommodated on the ground floor and the nursing staff upstairs," said the Minister.

"Estimated cost of improvements is £63,000 and furniture and equipment will cost between £5000 and £6000," said Mr. Nulsen.

Work has been carried out by the Public Work Dept.

Photograph 23 Newspaper article, The Sunday Times 11 October 1953, p6.



### FIRST BABY AT NEW HOSPITAL

Only a few hours after the new Woodside Maternity Hospital, in Dalgety-street, East Fremantle, was opened on Tuesday, the first baby was born there.

● The picture shows the baby, Russell David Boyes in the arms of his proud mother, Mrs. E. T. Boyes, of Rockingham-road, Kwinana.

A nurse said that Russell was born "while we were still making up the beds."

The jacket he is wearing in the picture was presented to his mother by the Hilton Park branch of the Junior Red Cross.

Mrs. Boyes has one other son who is two years old.

Woodside, a Government maternity hospital, has 26 beds, and will cope with cases which would previously have gone to the Bundi Kudja and San Hedrin hospitals.

Photograph 24 Newspaper article, The West Australian 6 November 1953, p18.





Photograph 25 Woodside Maternity Hospital, ca. 1986, SLWA 313325PD. Smith, Betty.



Photograph 26 Woodside Maternity Hospital, ca. 1986, SLWA 313325PD. Smith, Betty.





**Photograph 27** Annual Easter Fundraising Fete held on Woodside Grounds 1996. Fremantle City Library, Local Studies Collection, No. 4612



**Photograph 28** Woodside Nursery in 1998. Fremantle City Library, Local Studies Collection, No. 461

## 7.2.4 SIGNAGE

Signage should be designed as a suite, so it is consistent throughout the place. Signage forms part of the heritage trail notion, but might be used in other areas to further develop some of the themes in the heritage trail.

The redevelopment of Woodside will result in the demolition of several elements of the complex as noted above. Some interpretative signage will focus on the architecture, layout and functions of the original and subsequent plans

### Sign 1 Site Plan

- Western entry.

Information on:

- Original and subsequent functions of the main elements of place
- Development sequence diagram or aerial photographs of the place through time.
- Identification of building location on site diagram.

### Sign 2 'Heritage Trail' Timeline Sequence

The long established western path is an essential feature that contributes to the cultural significance of the place. The path can include a "heritage trail" along the former drive to continue to present the stories of the place in an evocative way.

- Located along western entry path "heritage trail".
- View of the place through various periods from the former main accessway.
- Conveys Moore's garden setting as well as the changes of the place through time.
- Information on activities in the gardens.

### Sign 3 Demolished Buildings Sequence

The *Woodside Hospital* maternity function was the place's longest use and a significant part of its social history. In ground patterns or raised walls in the landscape using recycled material from the hospital and interpretive text would be a good way in which to acknowledge this part of the history of the place. This might mean paving patterns or seat height walls with text to include:

- Building use and construction date
- Rooms included in the section of the building outline.

- An opportunity presents to integrate interpretation of the former maternity ward rooms within the Fortescue Street entrance and lobby, and adjacent landscaping.

**Sign 4 Children's births**

Around 50,000 babies were born at *Woodside Hospital*. It is suggested that a sign cum work of art that records the names of all the babies born at Woodside might be a good addition to the interpretive tools. This might simply include the time span of the hospital's use as a maternity hospital and the names and dates of birth of the children.

**Sign 5 Moore's Story sequence.**

Key points of Moore's importance and the assembly and construction of the Woodside Estate and its subsequent subdivision using maps, and images might be conveyed in the entrance hall or stair hall

**Sign 6 Historic overview.**

In the main reception to the site, a brief history of the site using a small amount of text with a focus on imagery could provide a synopsis of the site use and development from the beginning to the present.

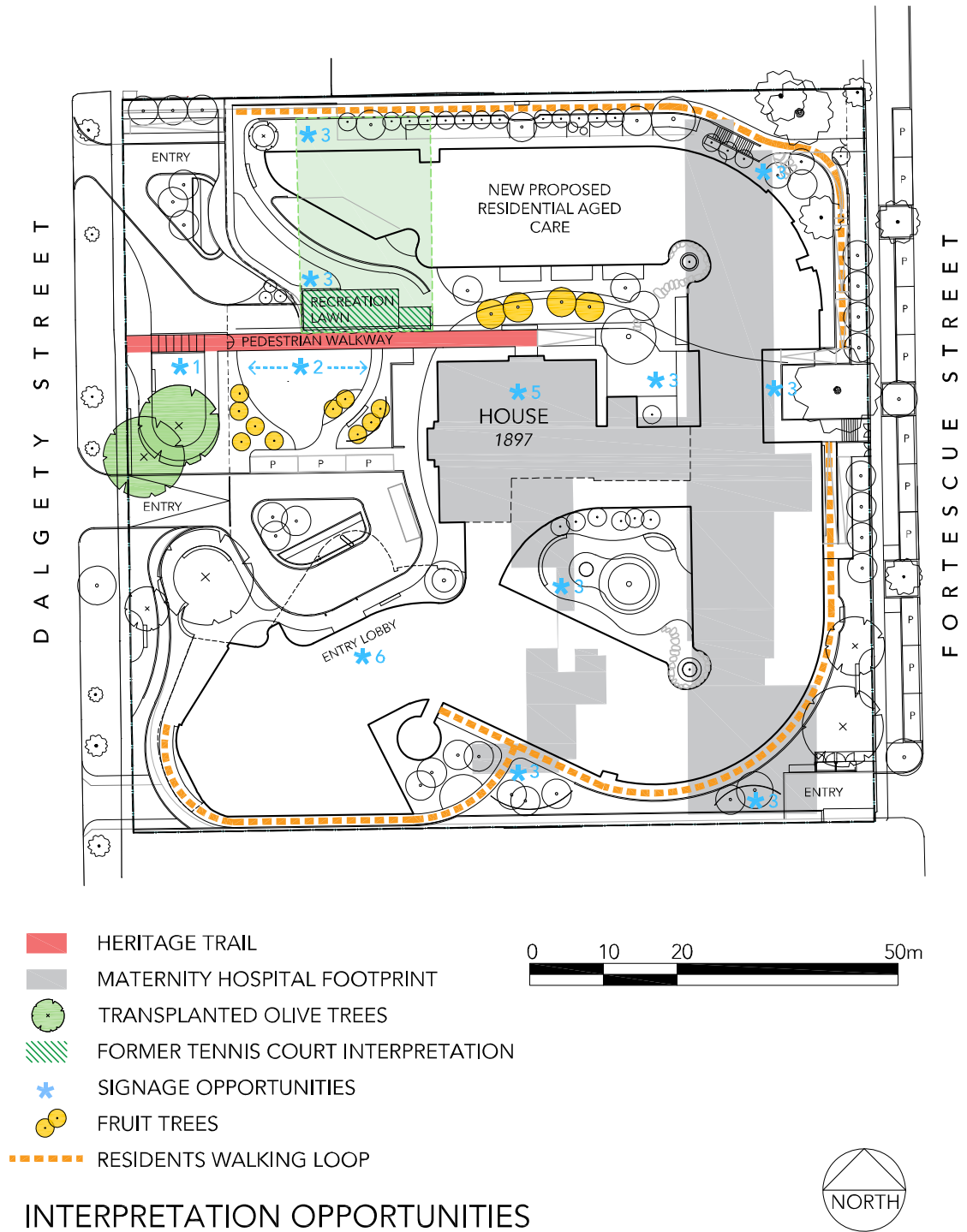


Figure 04 Interpretation locations. *Griffiths Architects November 2020.*

**7.2.5 ROOM NAMING**

A number of Moore’s family names and interests are recorded in the street names of his subdivided estate. The name Woodside will be part of the site’s brand.

Way-finding signage must be clear and concise to the present function. Room



naming in Woodside could be considered to honour the Moore family and further ways of acknowledging the past might extend through to the naming of the residential care wings.

#### **7.2.6 ARTWORK**

Artwork offers another opportunity for interpretation.

##### **Leadlights**

The main stair contains three fixed glazed south facing windows. Logically the windows would have been stained glass leadlights. There are substantial hints in the surviving lead light windows that might inform a new set of leadlights. No firm evidence has been uncovered to reinstate them to the exact former pattern.

However well informed this approach might be, it would remain speculative based on present knowledge and this might present an opportunity to take a fresh approach to the leadlight with an interpretive dimension.

##### **Public Art Strategy**

More evocative interpretation might be made in the form of artwork in a number of locations around the site.

The work could be image based or could be more abstract in the form of an interpretation sculpture, ground inlays etc, depending on the theme being represented.

#### **7.2.5 PUBLICATION**

A concise leaflet for guests and residents can be made available as part any promotional material at the facility in the heritage building and reception to provide an overview of the Woodside story. A site map should be included with dates of significant buildings and the same information might be available as a tab on the website.

#### **7.2.6 FOUND OBJECTS**

Copies of the historic plans of the building, including those which do not match the built construction, should be chosen and displayed. In addition, historic photographs, newspaper articles, and photographs of prominent people associated with the place should be included in the display.

If any objects of interest are recovered during the works, consideration should be given to the provision of a series of artifact drawers containing found objects are to be put on display and made accessible to the public.

### **7.2.7 WEBSITE**

Websites can be useful interpretive mechanisms. Further information, photographs and/or articles could be offered to the public and residents of the site, as part of the interpretation process, and reference could be made to the website in other interpretative material.

The information could also include a brief history on the development of the site, important events staged at the site, information on people associated with the place and conservation work associated with the development. All themes can be represented in this way and can give the public the information even if the access to the place is restricted. The information developed for a booklet might be available digitally.

### **7.2.9 COLOUR AND DECORATIVE TREATMENT**

Research into original and early colour schemes provides another means of interpretation. This may involve the reconstruction of early decorative finishes and colour schemes, or interpretation through means of providing a display of paint scrapings showing progressive layering of colours.

A 'paint ladder' is a progressive series of paint scrapes that reveal the sequence of paint colours used at a particular location. The execution of colour scrapes may be interpreted by means of interpretative panels which expose 'paint ladders' but allows the rest of the room, or exterior, to be decorated to suit its current use. A paint ladder should include an explanation by means of a discreet description plate.

## 8.0 IMPLEMENTATION

The interpretation works will be implemented in accordance with this Interpretation Strategy and carried out by a professional design team with specialist heritage input including: Historian, Archaeologist, experienced Copy Writer, Architect, Graphic designer or Curator experienced in the interpretation of heritage places.

Detailed design drawings and digital proofs will be prepared by the design and graphics team prior to implementation on site and in print.

## 8.1 PRIORITIES

Interpretation is to be undertaken as part of the development of the site. A priority list for implementing the interpretation strategies outlined in section 7.0 is as follows:

**Priority Group 1- These are the key Strategies that will be completed as part of the development.**

- INTERPRETING DEMOLISHED STRUCTURES IN THE LANDSCAPE AND BUILDINGS
- LANDSCAPE
- HERITAGE TRAIL
- COLOUR AND DECORATIVE TREATMENT

**Priority Group 2- These are supplementary to the key Strategies and may be completed as part of the overall development of the site, should they be appropriate.**

- SIGNAGE
- ROOM NAMING
- ARTWORK
- FOUND OBJECTS
- WEBSITE TAB

**Priority Group 3/Optional- These are optional strategies to be considered if appropriate as part of the development.**

- PUBLICATION

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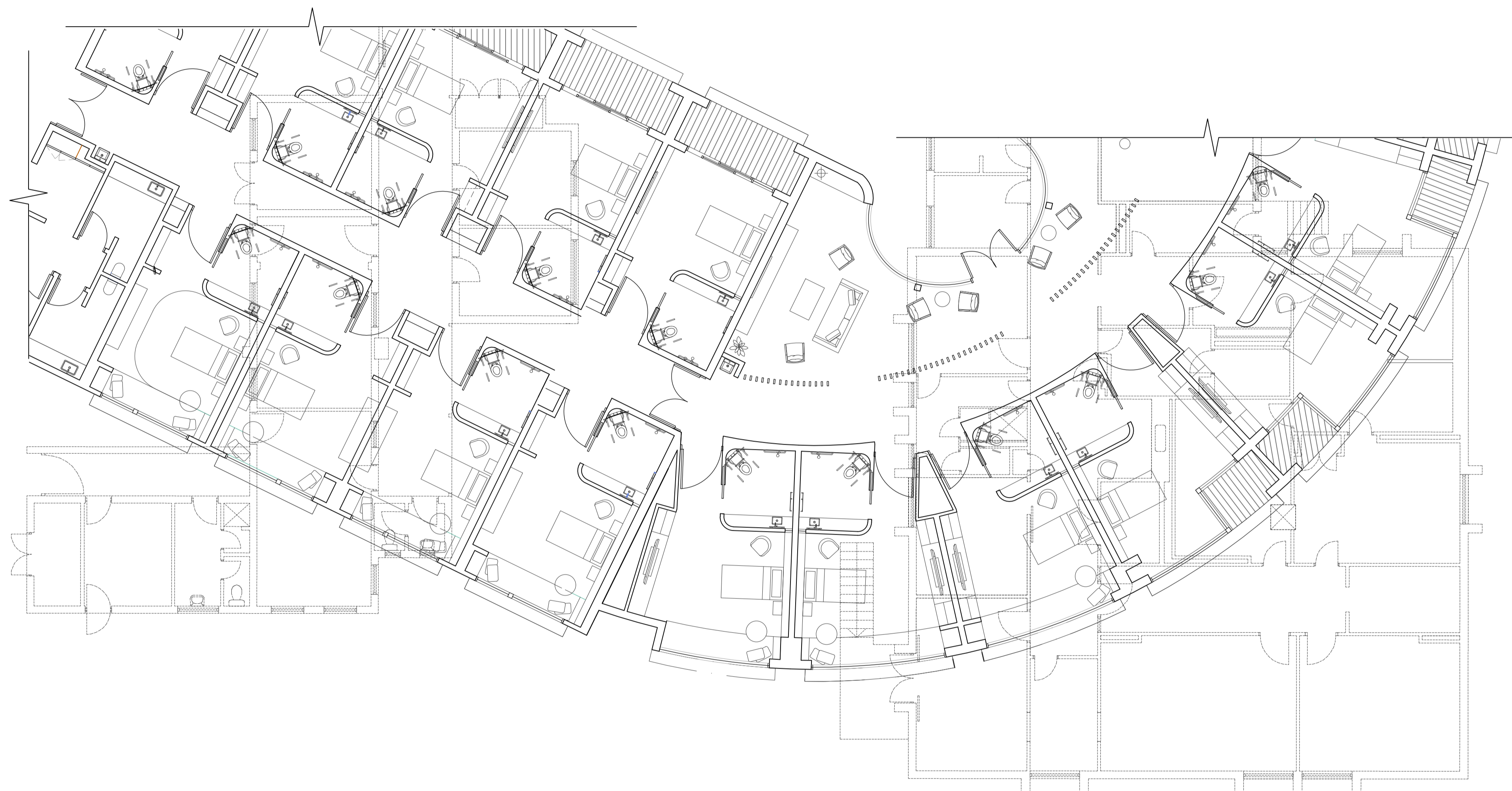
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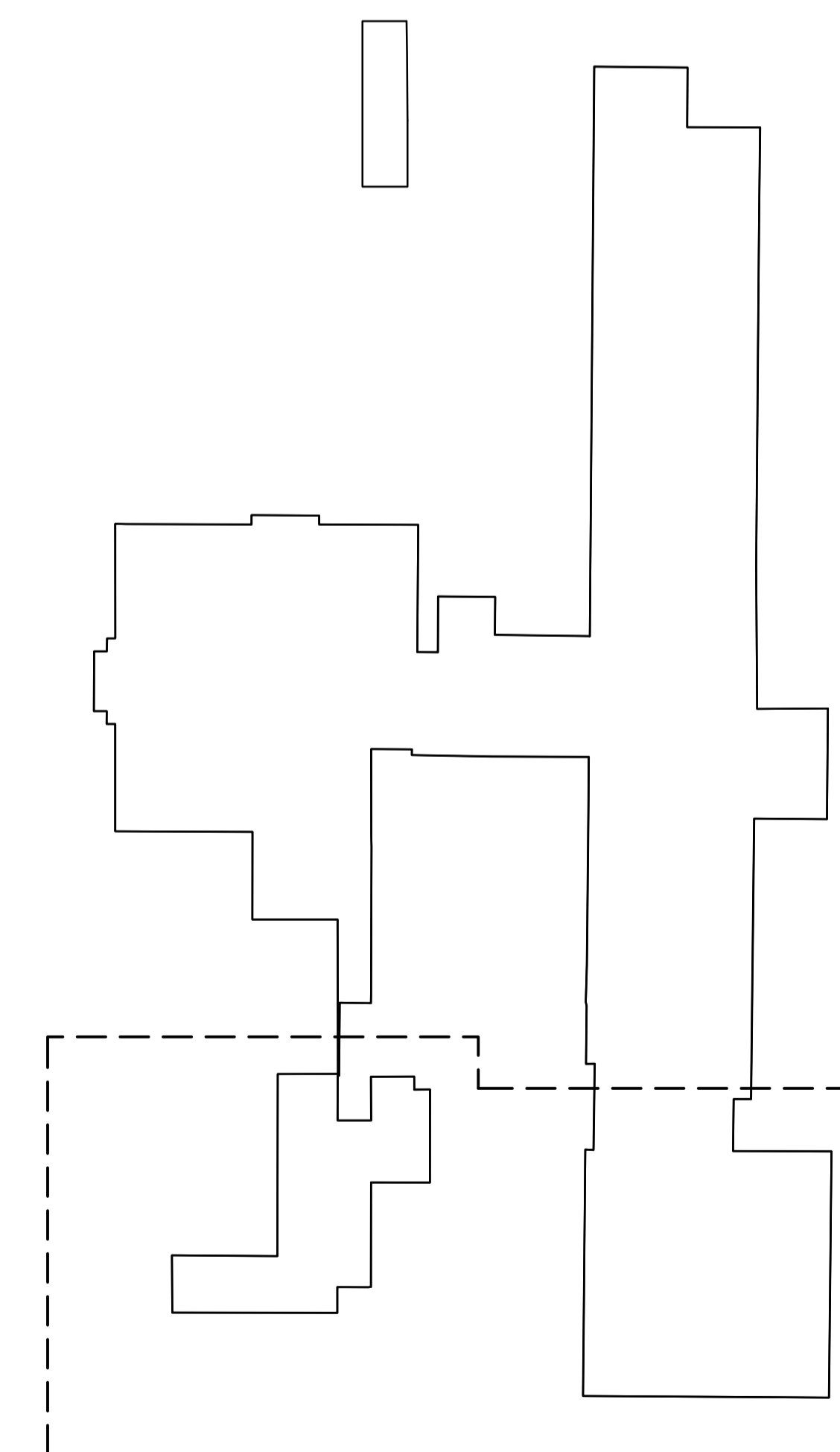
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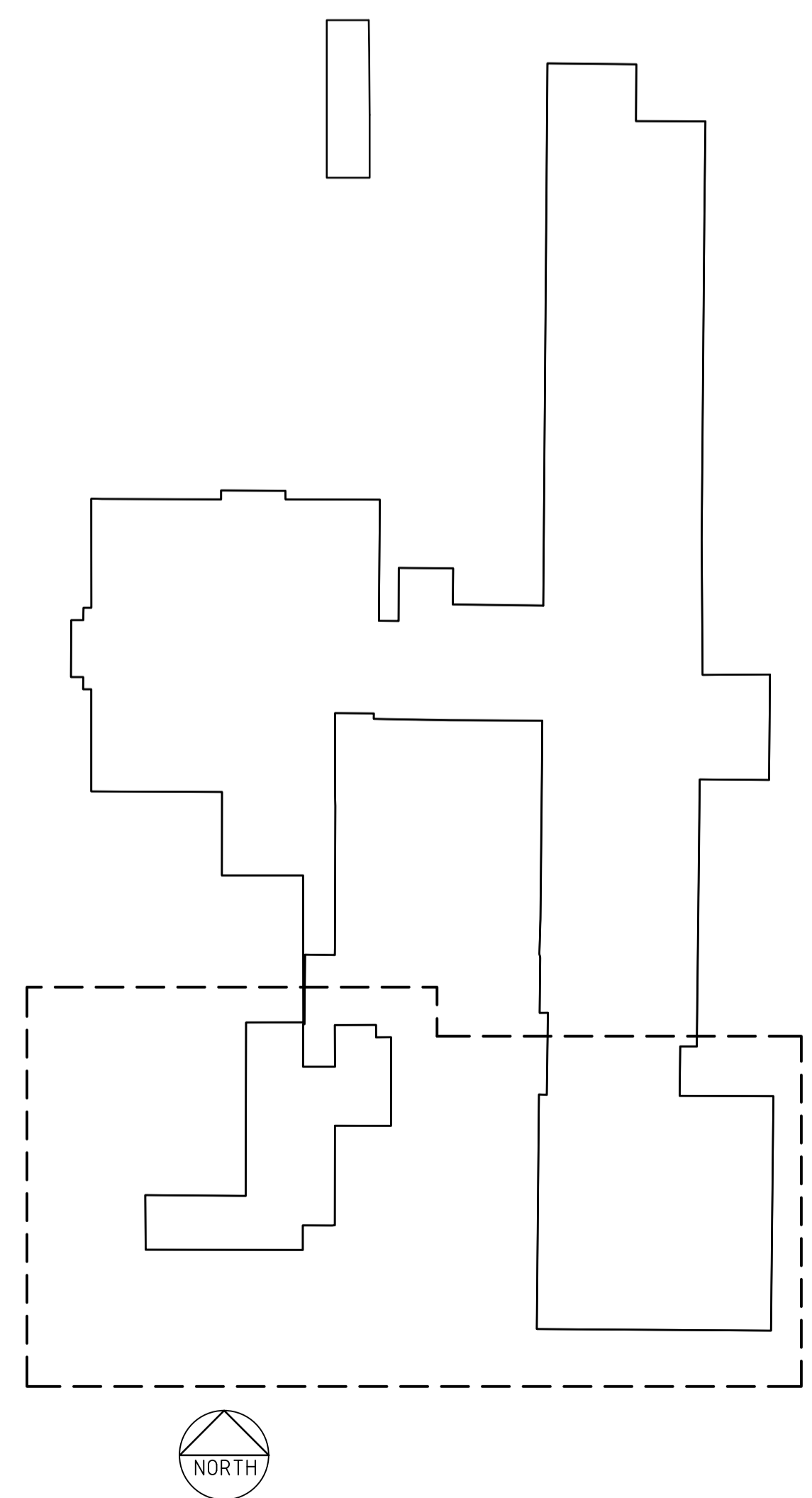
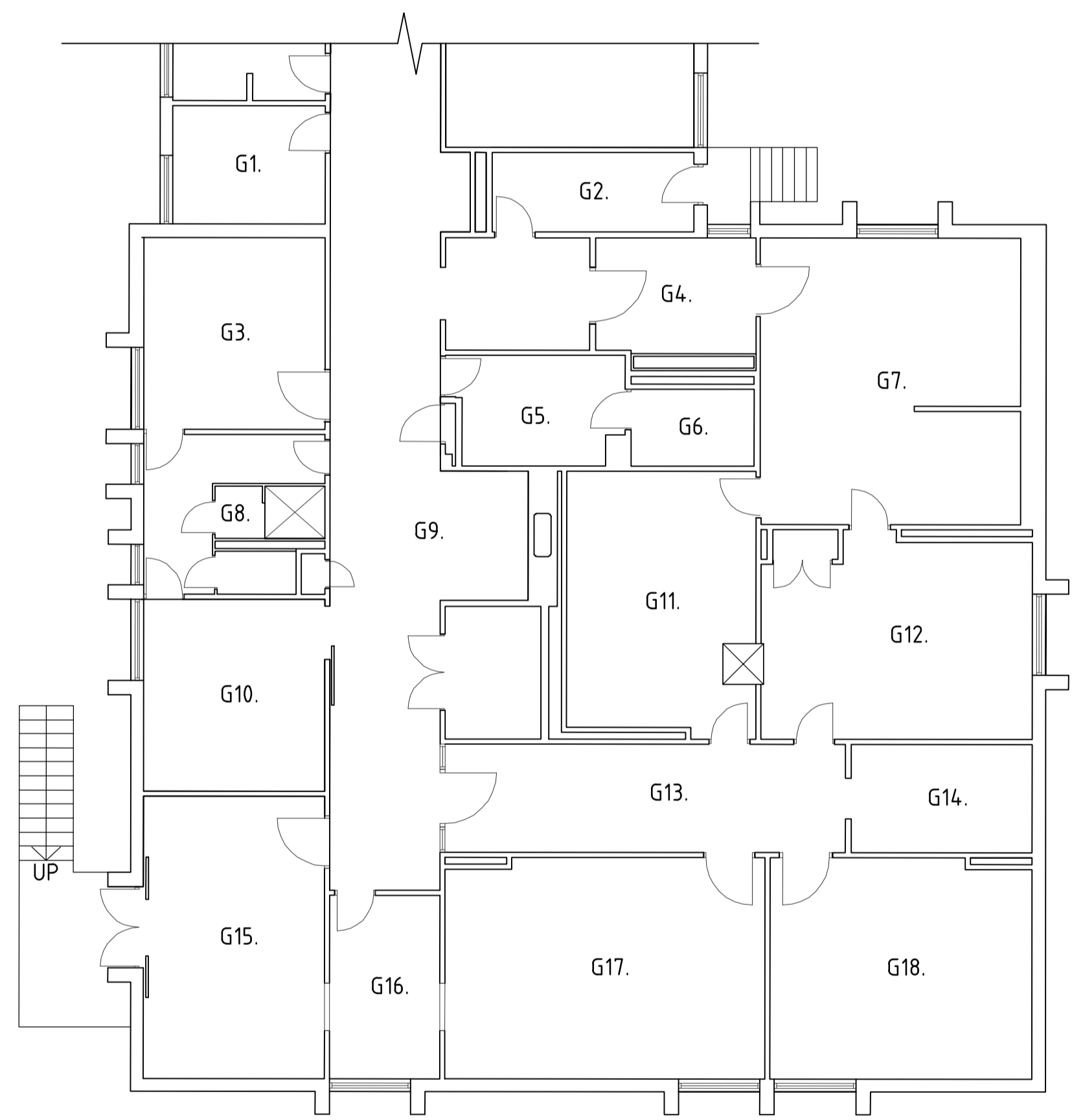
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| G2 - ENTRY              | G11 - SET UP           |
| G3 - ADMISSIONS         | G12 - STERILIZING ROOM |
| G4 - SCRUB UP AREA      | G13 - CORRIDOR         |
| G5 - STORE              | G14 - STORE            |
| G6 - STORE              | G15 - OBSERVATION ROOM |
| G7 - THEATRE            | G16 - OFFICE           |
| G8 - TOILET & SHOWER    | G17 - DELIVERY 2       |
| G9 - CORRIDOR           | G18 - DELIVERY 1       |
| S1 - GAS BOTTLE STORE   | S7 - STORE             |
| S2 - BOILER ROOM        | S8 - CLEANERS STORE    |
| S3 - STORE              | S9 - STAFF TOILET      |
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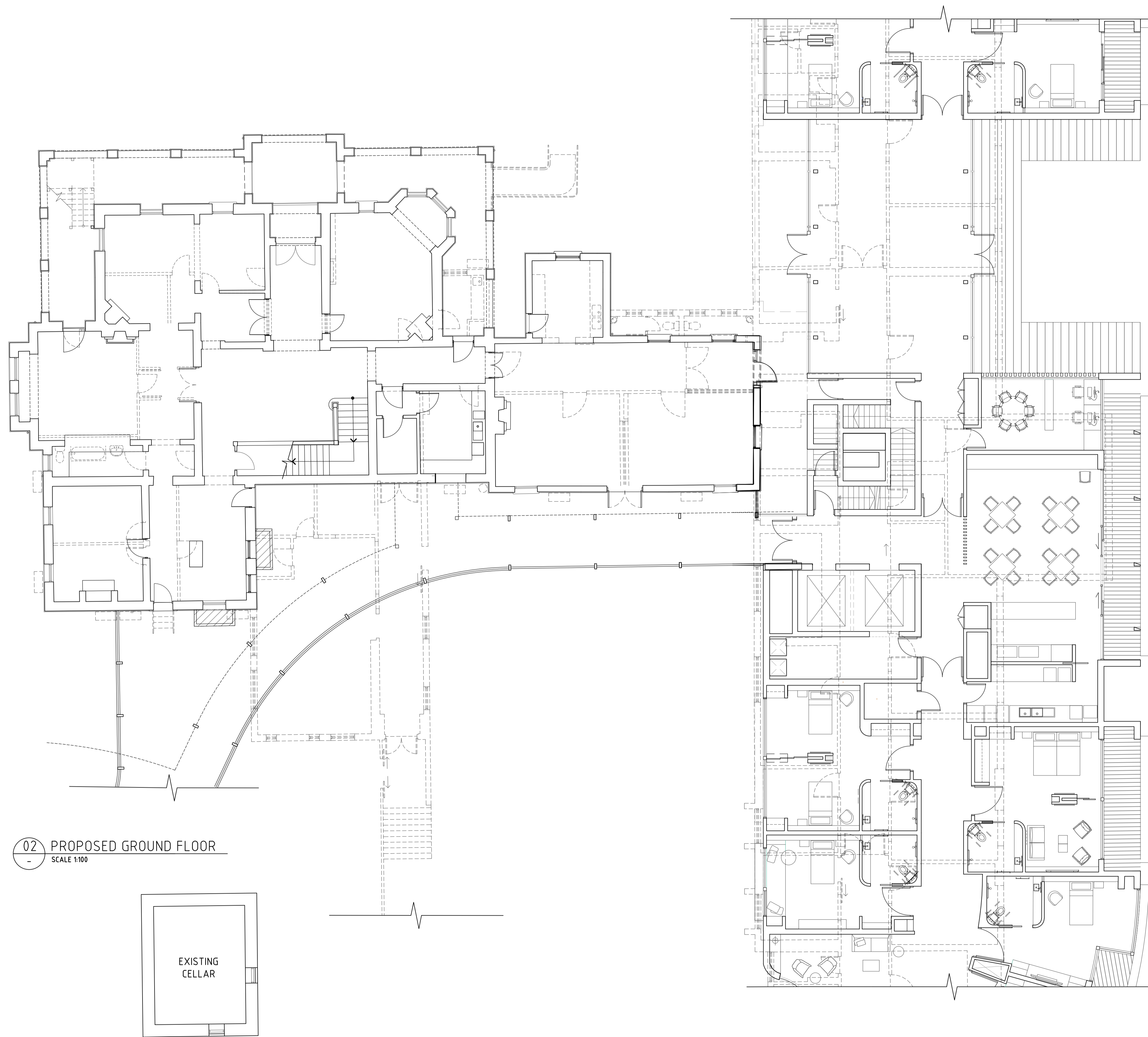


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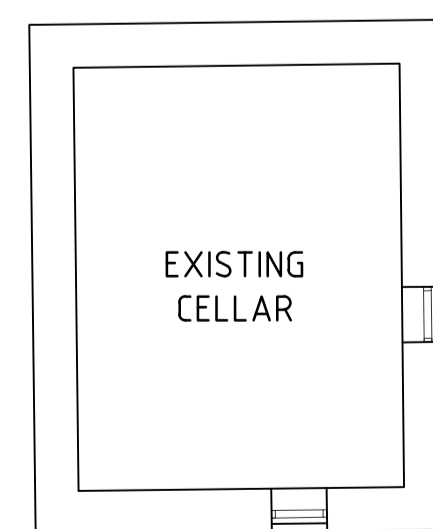


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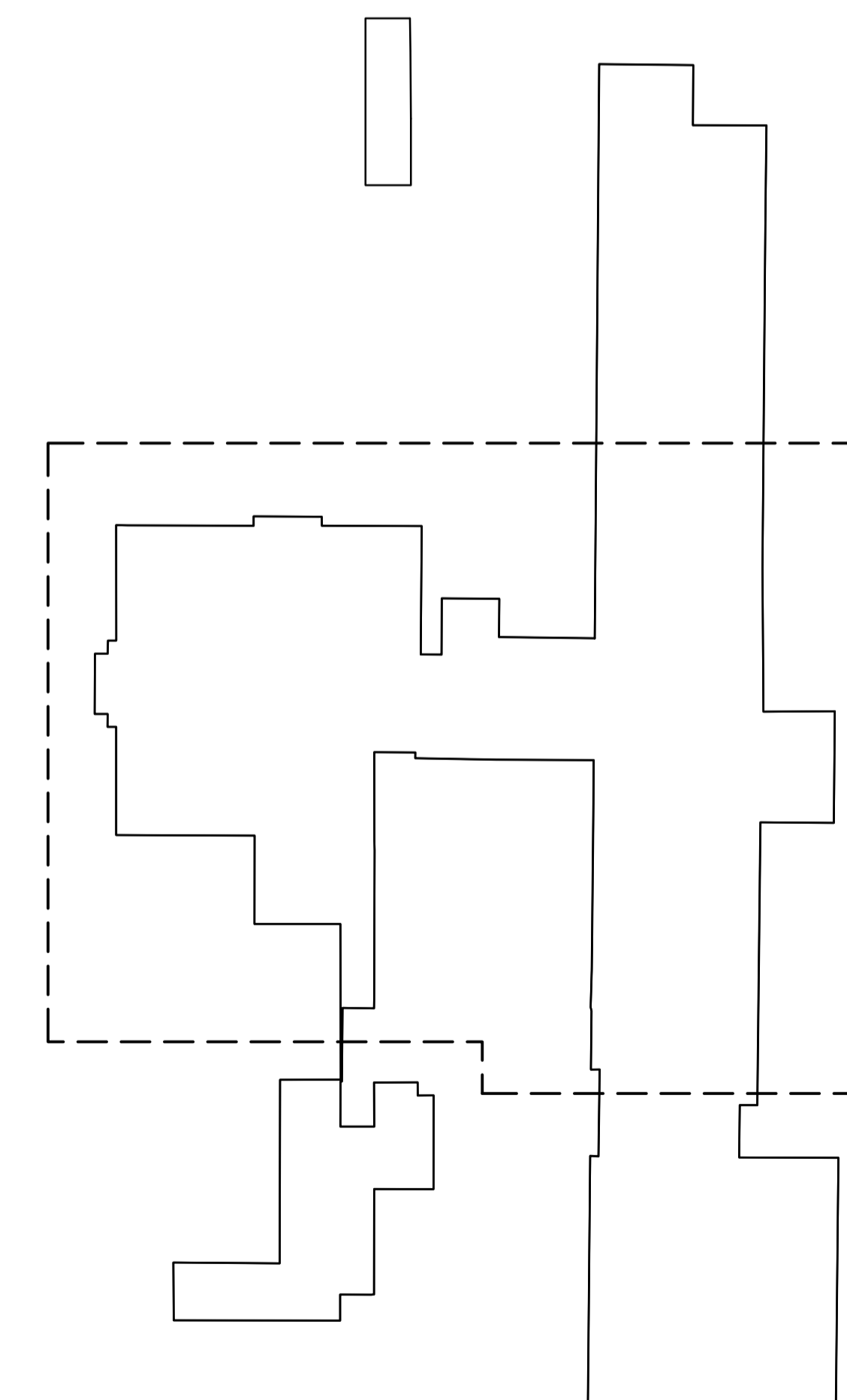
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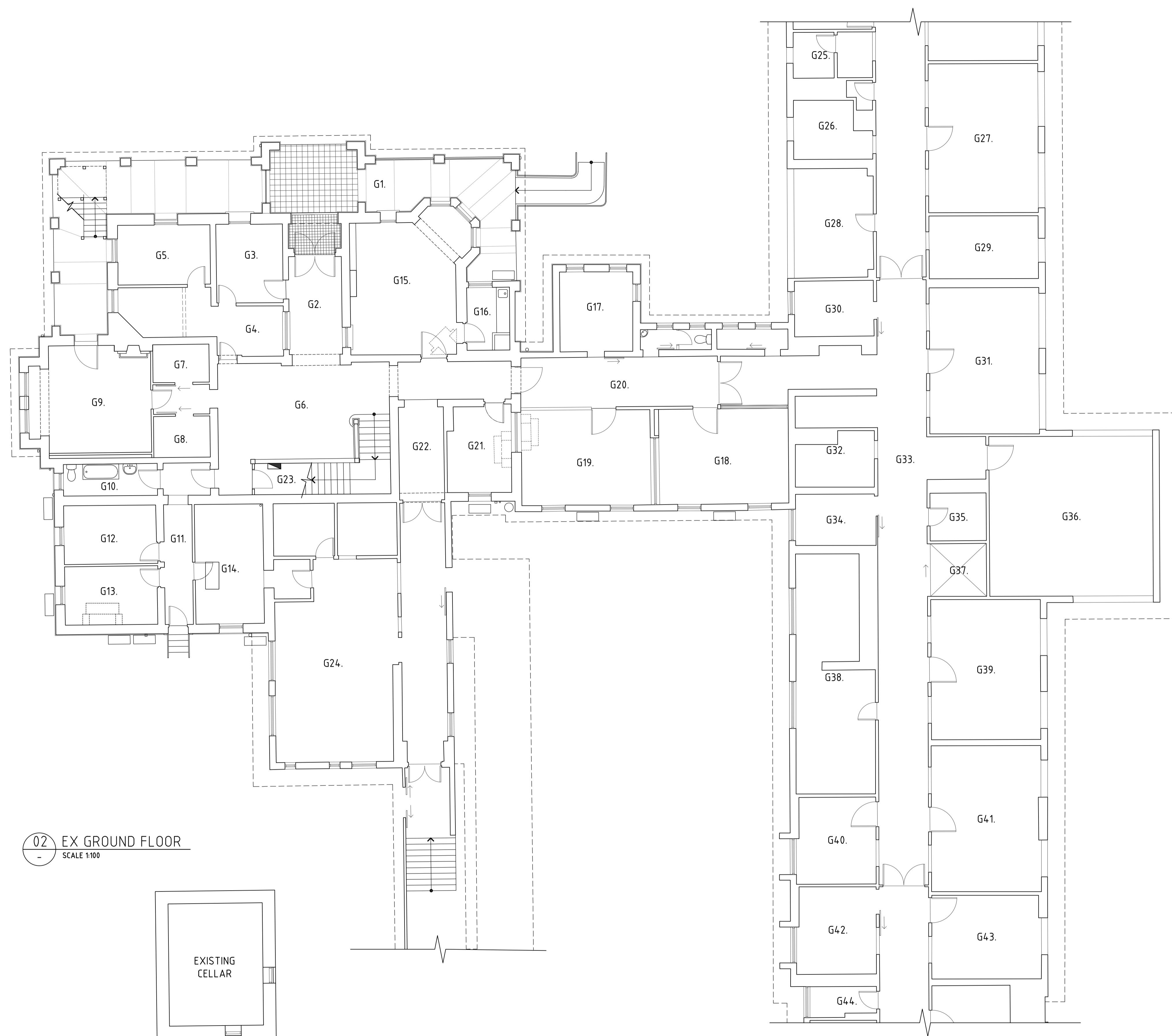
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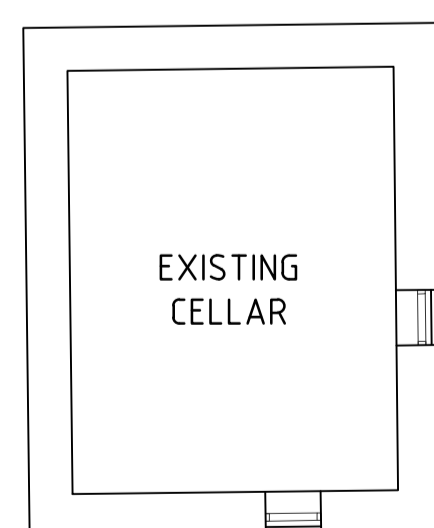


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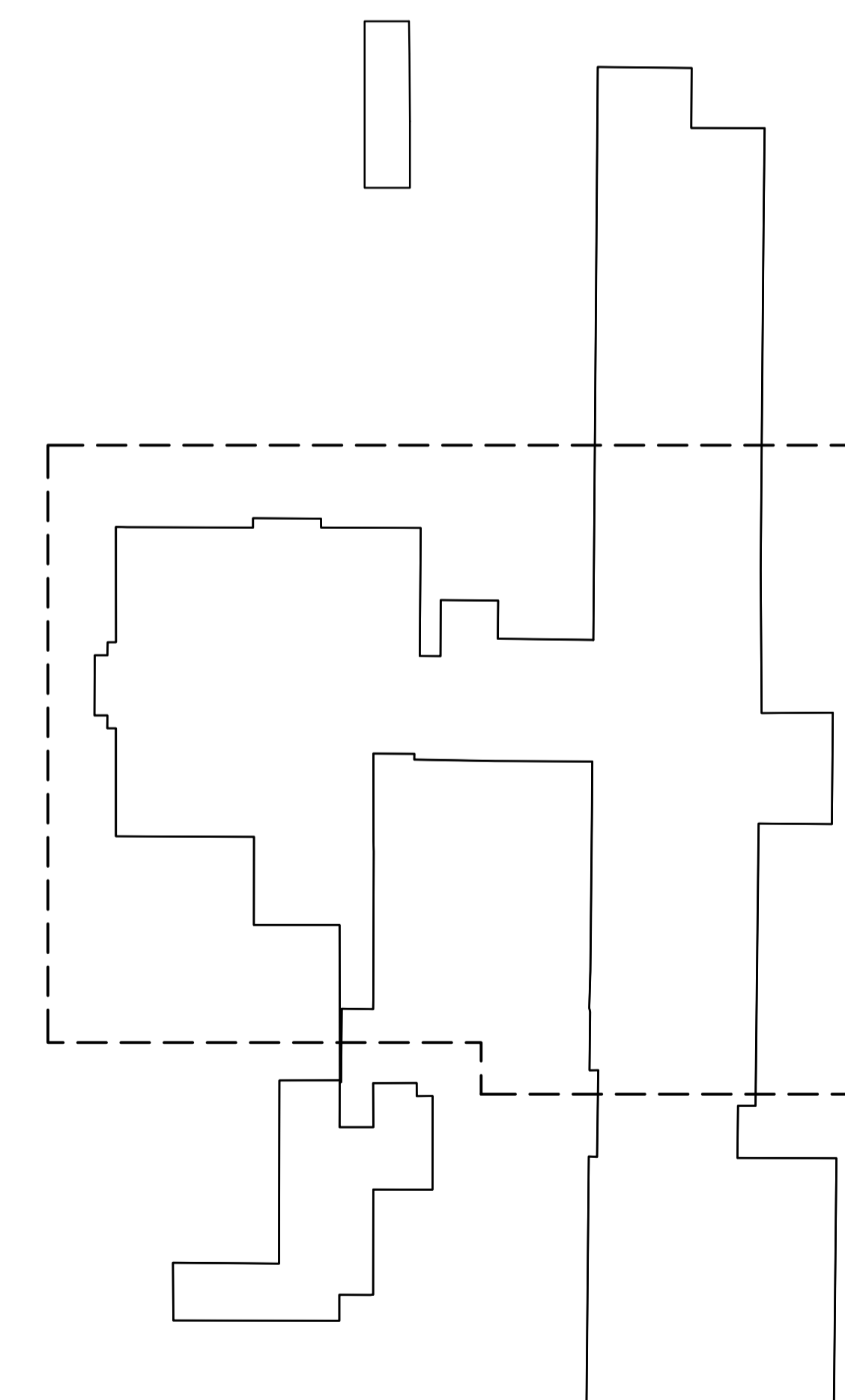
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- G7 - EQUIPMENT STORE
- G8 - STORE
- G9 - MATRONS OFFICE
- G10 - BATHROOM
- G11 - CORRIDOR
- G12 - STAFF CHANGEROOM
- G13 - HOUSE KEEPER
- G14 - STAFF DINING
- G15 - RESOURCE ROOM
- G16 - KITCHENETTE
- G17 - MILK ROOM
- G18 - NURSERY
- G19 - NURSING ROOM
- G20 - CORRIDOR
- G21 - STORE
- G22 - CORRIDOR
- G23 - UNDER STAIR STORE
- G24 - 1950'S KITCHEN ADDITION
- G25 - LAUNDRY
- G26 - PAN ROOM
- G27 - 4 BED WARD
- G28 - PATIENT SHOWERS & TOILETS
- G29 - TREATMENT ROOM
- G30 - DUTY ROOM
- G31 - 4 BED WARD
- G32 - CLEANERS STORE
- G33 - CORRIDOR
- G34 - PANTRY
- G35 - STORE
- G36 - DAY ROOM
- G37 - LINEN STORE
- G38 - PATIENTS SHOWERS & TOILETS
- G39 - 4 BED WARD
- G40 - 1 BED WARD
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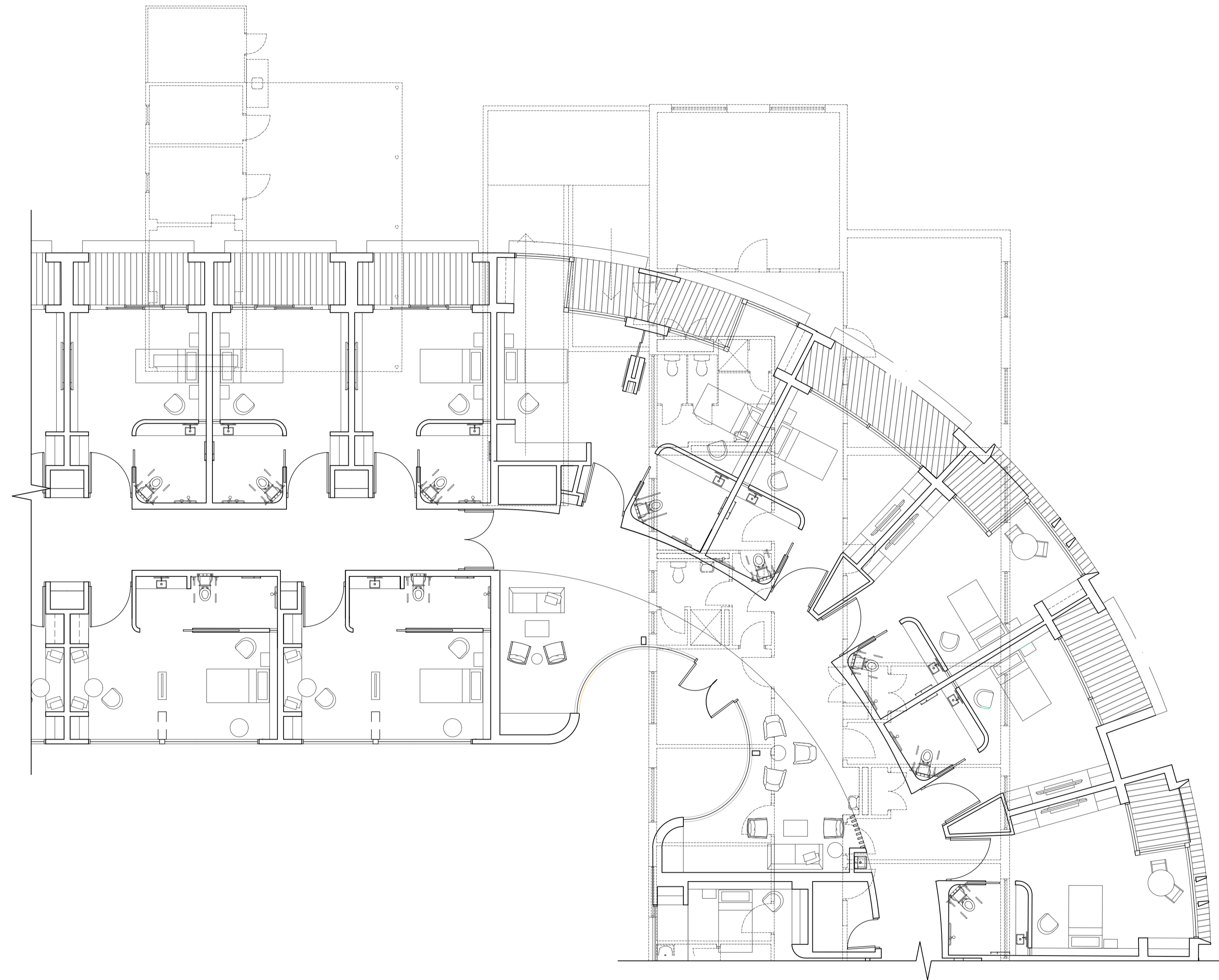


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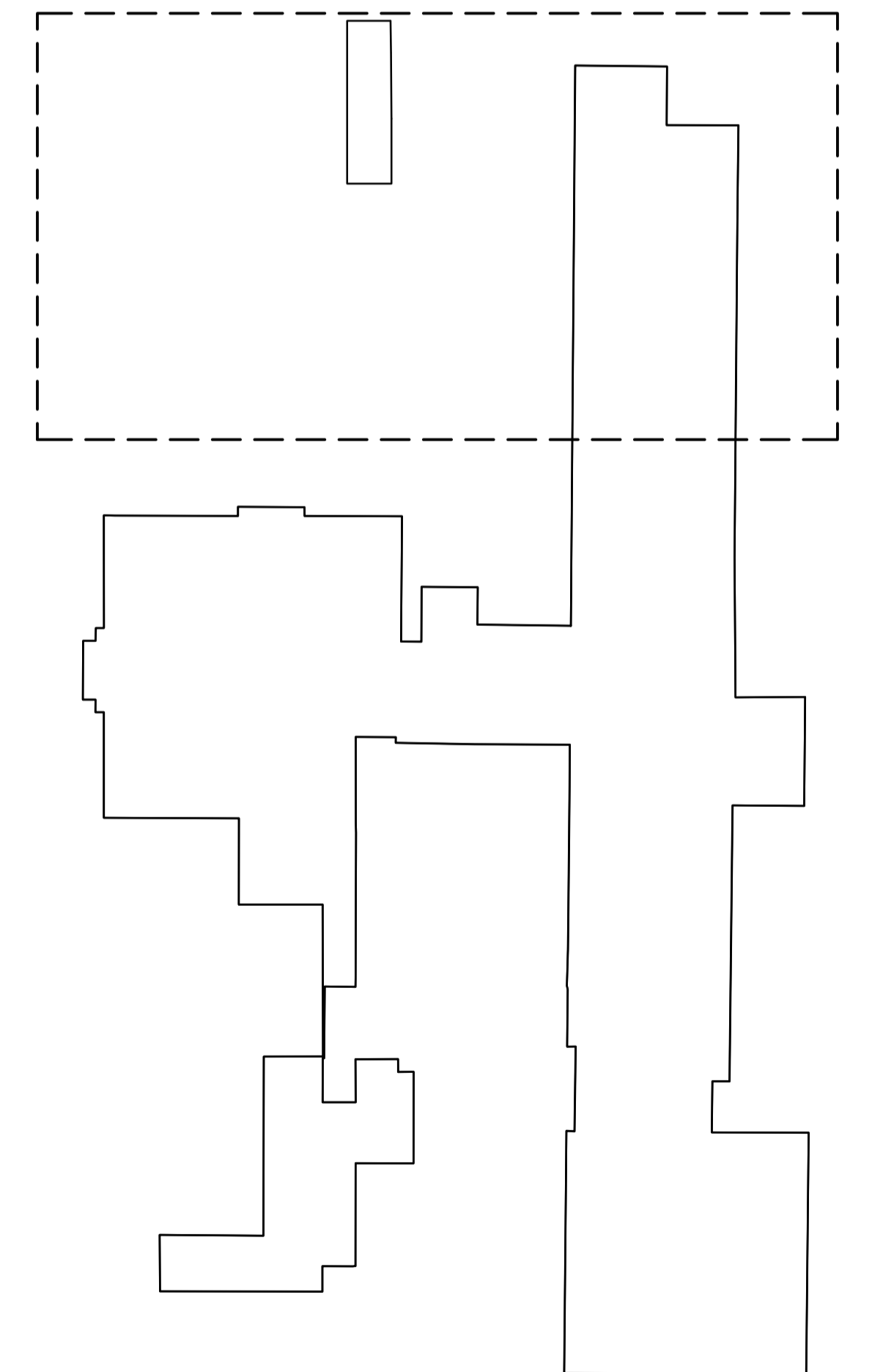


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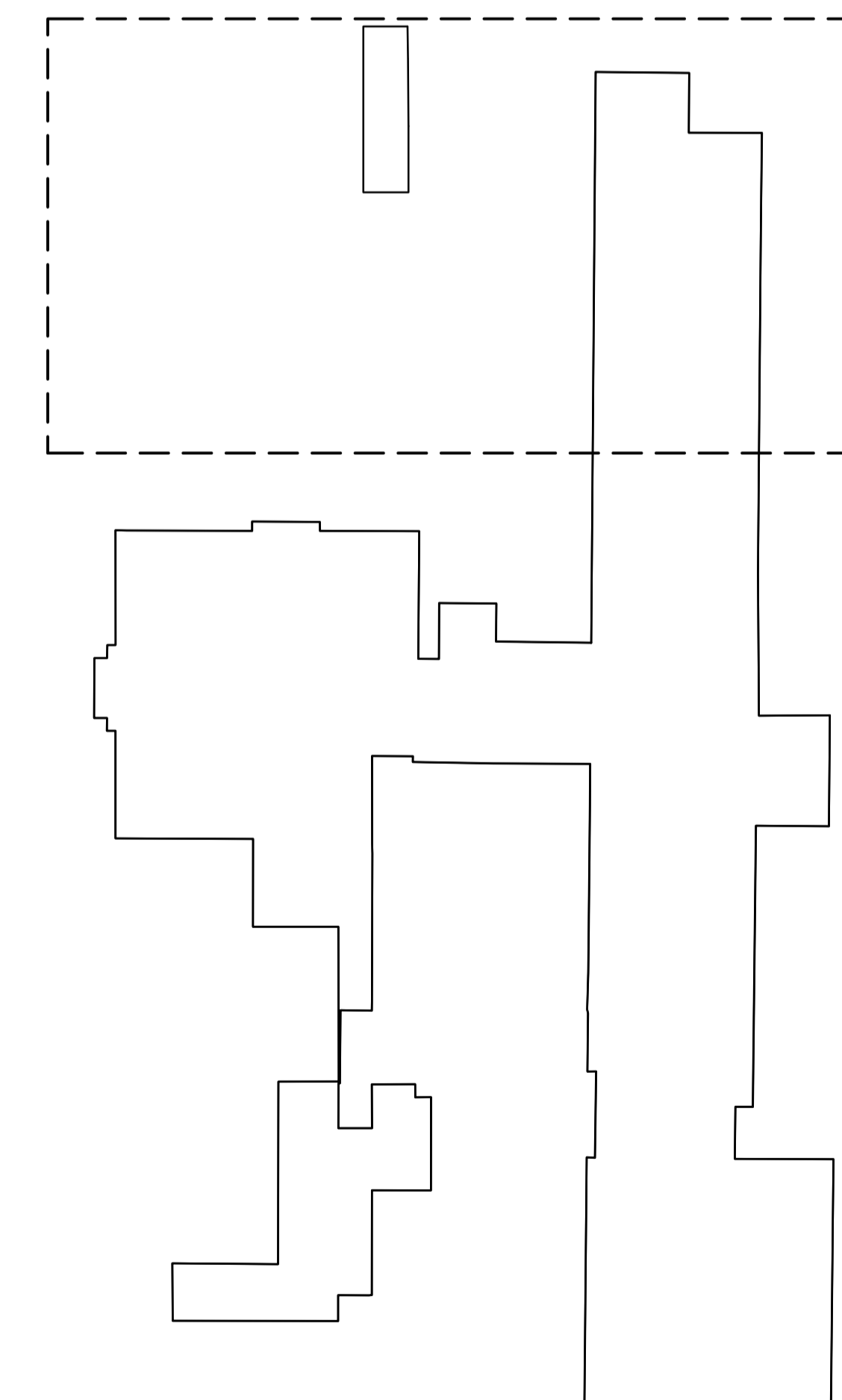
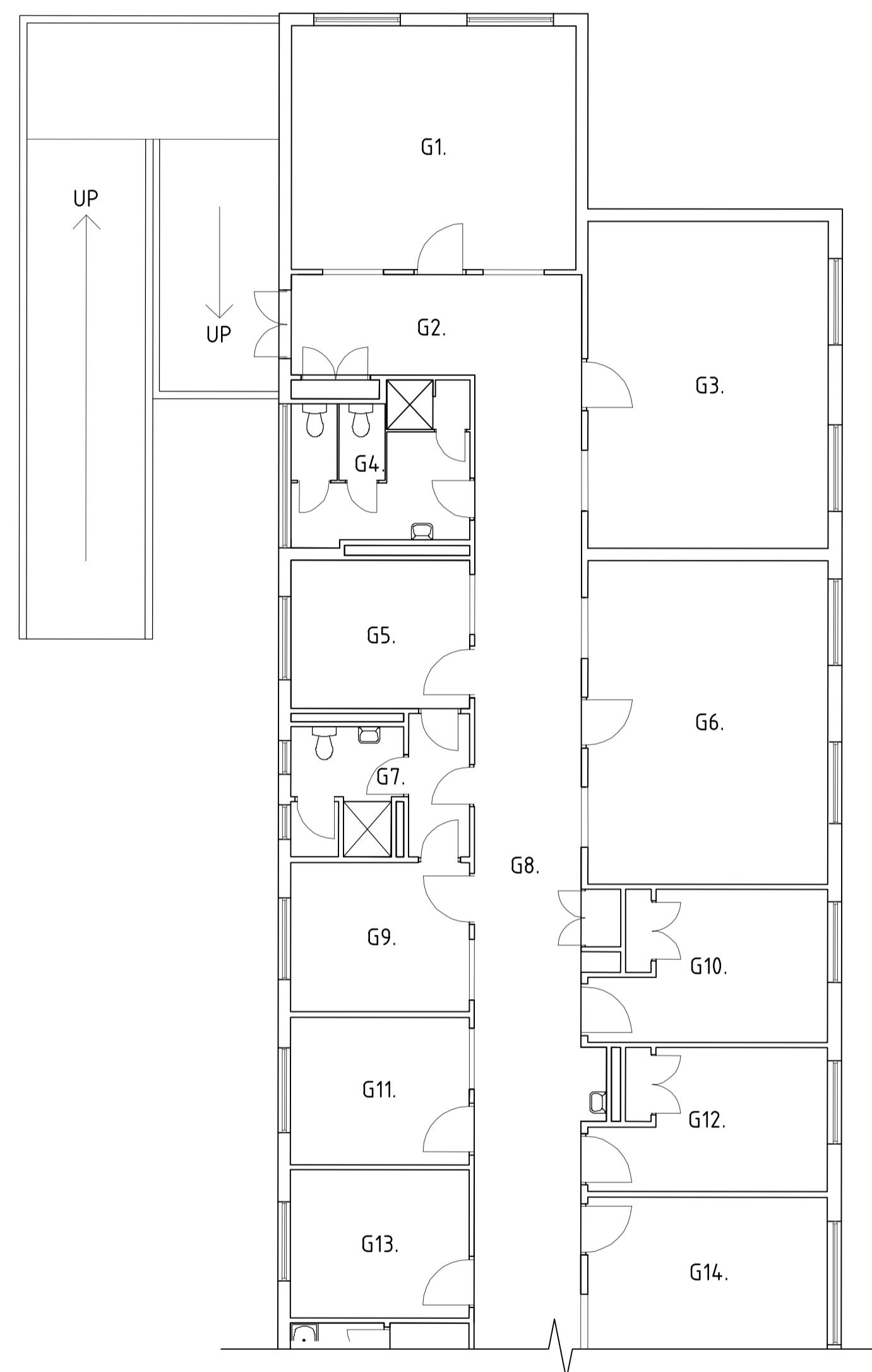
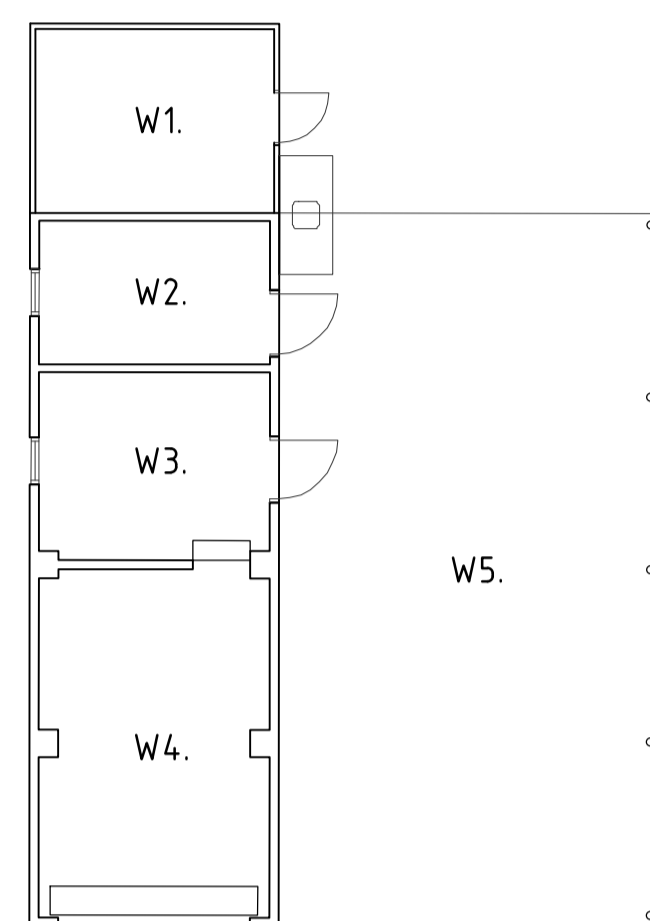
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| G4 - PATIENTS BATHROOM | G11 - 1 BED WARD |
| G5 - 1 BED WARD        | G12 - 1 BED WARD |
| G6 - 4 BED WARD        | G13 - 1 BED WARD |
| G7 - SHOWER & TOILET   | G14 - 2 BED WARD |

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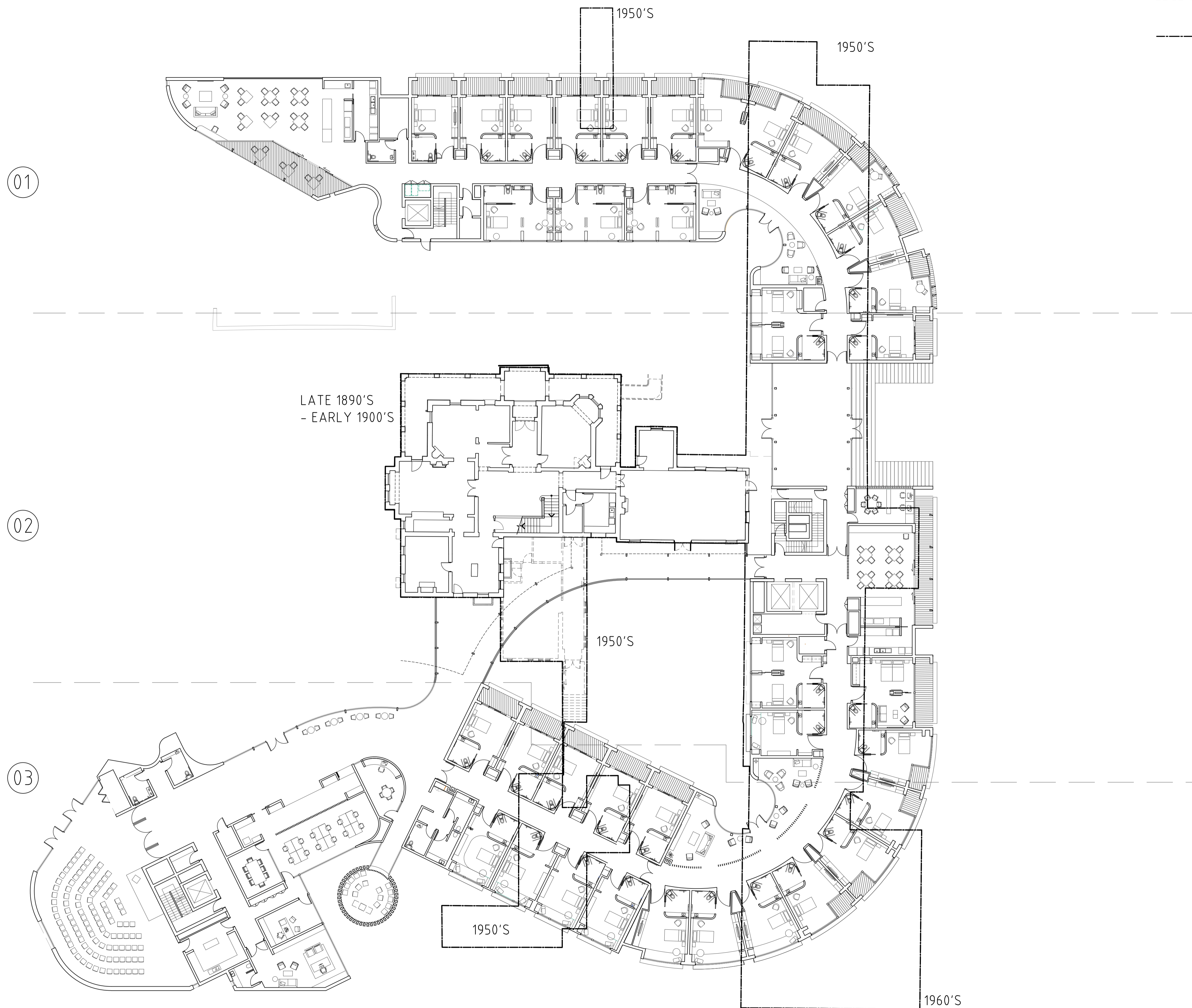
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# WOODSIDE HOSPITAL

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## WOODSIDE HOSPITAL

### Early History – Moore Family

#### MOORE WILLIAM DALGETY

**Born August 1835 in Swan River Colony.**

Father Sam Moore, an Irish immigrant from County Cork, owned land in middle Swan – built family home named “Dalgety”, after his wife’s family. He was involved in commercial and political life of the colony.

Mr. Moore Snr. died of heart attack in 1849 aged 46 years.

William was eldest son – other siblings 2 sisters and 2 brothers.

William first employment was in Surveyor General’s Office. <sup>1</sup>

**1854** aged 19

resigned from Surveyor General’s office

Became manager on station in Irwin River District, owned by Hammersley & Co.

**1860** married Susannah Monger – by whom he had 12 children. Three died in infancy, later a son was killed in a sports accident.

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<sup>1</sup> Dr. R.K. Moore, Moore Family History.

- 1862** Returned to Fremantle and went into partnership with his brother-in-law J. H. Monger
- 1867** W.D. Moore & Co. established in Henry Street Fremantle. Building to remain in family hands for approximately 100 years.  
Involved in many commercial and shipping interests. In later years W.D. Moore's became famous for its windmills
- 1870-1894** From 1870's to 1890's was member of group of sixteen men and women who owned prosperous businesses in Fremantle. They were known as the 'Merchant Princes.'<sup>2</sup>
- 1870-1895** Political career – member of the Legislative Council. Involved in proposals for Fremantle Harbour.  
President of Fremantle Chamber of Commerce and AMP Society.
- 1876** Susannah Moore died
- 1879** Married Annie Gallop, 17 years his junior. They had six children – five girls and one boy.
- 1890's** W.D. Moore built "Woodside" on 140 acres. Area extended from present day streets, Allen to Petra and from Canning Highway to Marmion Street. At entrance to estate was a gatehouse. The marble in the fireplace came from Italy, while the staircase was designed in Fremantle but built in England and shipped out.  
Vineyard, orchard and stables were in the grounds. A bungalow, possibly for guests, was another addition.



The Moore family employed a cook, three housemaids and two outside workers for the grounds.

- 1900** A Grand Ball held as a house warming on completion of "Woodside. One of the Moore girls planted a tree in the grounds – it may have been the Heritage Olive Tree near the entrance, which is said to be over 90 years old. <sup>3</sup>
- 1901** Mrs. Annie Moore was an active member of St. Peters Church of England parish in East Fremantle. The grounds of the family home were used for many church functions including Sunday school picnics, bazaars and maypole dances. Mrs Moore was in charge of the Sunday School, assisted by her four daughters. <sup>4</sup>
- 1910** On 22<sup>nd</sup> April 1910 William Dalgety Moore died. <sup>5</sup>  
It took the executor's 12 years to finally wind up the estate. Messrs J.J. & F.G Higham were the Estate Agents handling the sub-division of the estate. <sup>6</sup>
- 1912** In March 1912, the Bungalow residence offered for sale, was rented on a weekly tenancy, until sold.
- 1913** The Fremantle Council gazetted within the sub-division as public rights of way the following streets:- Allen, Dalgety, Fortescue, Irwin, Oakover, Millinden and Fletcher.<sup>7</sup>

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<sup>2</sup> Patricia M. Brown, "The Merchant Princes of Fremantle". U.W.A. Press 1996

<sup>3</sup> Fremantle Hospital Almanac. October 1999

<sup>4</sup> St. Peters Church of England History.

<sup>5</sup> Dr. R.K. Moore, Moore Family History.



- 1914 Mrs. Moore was still in residence and the outside of the house was painted.
- 1921-22 Mrs. Moore and daughter visit England. Family members rent Woodside prior to buying another home.  
On her return from England, Mrs. Moore to vacate Woodside, moving to Peppermint Grove  
A Caretaker was employed to look after the estate.
- 1923 Colonial Secretary was approached as to the possibility of purchasing Woodside for mental health patients under observation. The house, and 6 acres of land was offered for sale at 4,500.00. The offer does not appear to have been accepted. <sup>8</sup>
- 1926 Woodside sold to Dr. E.C. East for 3,000.00. Became a private general hospital. Dr. East may have been renting the home prior to that date; a Mr. J. Gay's birth certificate states he was born at Woodside on January 1924. Sister Irene Kiernan, a qualified general nurse, together with her sister Florence, a qualified midwife and general nurse were in charge of the hospital for 21 years.  
Sr. C. Leggate joined the staff prior to World War 11. She later became Matron in 1953.
- 1939-46 Home to fifteen families in need of accommodation during World War 11.

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<sup>6</sup> ibid

<sup>7</sup> Copy of Executors of W.D. Moore Estate. 28th March 1913, pg 635

- 1948 Property of two acres, one rood and 36 perches (Woodside and grounds) sold to a Mr. B. Mioranda. <sup>9</sup>
- 1948 Ownership of property transferred on 4th March 1949 to Crippled Children's Seaside Home Society Inc. Proved to be unsuitable for their needs.
- 1949 Petition "Of the Residents of Fremantle praying for the Construction of a Maternity Hospital for the Fremantle Districts"  
Petition contained 8,009 signatures and was presented by Mr. Sleeman.
- 1951 19th November - the property was bought for 17,000 and transferred to "His Majesty King George the Sixth" (State Government)
- 1953 On October 23rd Woodside opened as a 26 bed Maternity Hospital under control of the Medical Department.  
Matron Leggate and staff (nursing and domestic) transferred from Bundi Kunja following its closure to the new hospital. She retired from the position of matron in July 1966.  
There were originally 15 wards, of which 10 were single or private rooms, two wards with two beds only, with the remaining three wards able to cater for four patients. <sup>10</sup>
- 1960's Extensions to the hospital. 1962 - Wards No 16 & 17 and a bathroom in close proximity added. These extensions allowed Wards 1 to 4 to be

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<sup>8</sup> Copy of Executors of W.D. Moore Estate, January 2nd 1922. Pg 144

<sup>9</sup> Swan Location 72 & 646 part of lot 115, plan 3286

<sup>10</sup> Crown Solicitor's Department, October 1992.



converted into nurseries. Water pump and reticulation were installed in 1961.

**1970's** Closure of Devonleigh Maternity Hospital. Woodside now able to perform minor gynaecological surgery.

**1980's** Management of hospital transferred from Health Department to Fremantle Hospital Board. Provision for 40 beds - approximately 1,000 birth annually.

Only hospital in West. Aust. to grant delivery rights to home birth midwives.

Birthing chair for women during delivery devised by Woodside Hospital employees, Ted Martin and Dave Russell.

Antenatal classes held at Woodside.

Changes in Nursing Career Structure - Certificates of Substantiation required for midwives.

**Review of Neonatal, Obstetrics and Gynaecological Services in the Southern Sector by Health Department in 1989.** Recommended that within five years Woodside Hospital should be closed and services transferred to Fremantle Hospital. .

Helen Maiden retires as Director of Nursing and Mary Cameron appointed.

Hospital is West. Australia's only complete birthing centre.

Rumours circulate about the possibility of closing Woodside Hospital

1990's

Various newspaper reports suggesting changes in Woodside's position in the health area. Other reports supporting no changes at all. Submissions and letters of support by staff.

October 1993 - Woodside celebrates 40 years as maternity hospital

**Horizons 2000 - Draft plan for Fremantle Hospital and Health**

**Service.** Again various suggestions as to Woodside Hospital's role in the health area.

Accreditation of hospital approved

Ante - Natal Clinic opened July 1997. Fremantle Hospital Ladies Auxiliary donated \$45,000 towards the specialised unit providing service for mothers south of the river. Dr. H Turnbull.M.L.A opened the clinic.

Gift of superseded Humidicribs sent to Kuldiga Hospital in Latvia. Part of a sea- container of medical supplies from West Australian hospitals as a donation to various hospitals in Latvia . Ilga Nilsson, a Latvian born nurse resident in Australia was the organiser.

**March 1999 - Woodside Hospital placed on the State Register of Heritage Buildings.**

Changes to uniforms - staff allowed to select and design uniforms within standard guidelines. New style practical and comfortable but fits the professional image of a nurse in the 1990's.

Received Safe Food Award July 1998 - meals are still prepared on the premises for staff and patients.

**Fremantle Hospital Annual Report 1992-93.**



The report states that

1. Woodside is the only maternity hospital for public patients in the Southern Metropolitan Region. It also caters for private patients.
2. The hospital accredits Home Birth Midwives
3. Has the third highest delivery rate in West. Australia
4. It has provision for gynaecological surgery, out-patients facility for minor diagnosis and therapeutic procedures
5. Has an ongoing Antenatal education program.
6. Telephone Counselling Service
7. Pre-admission interviews and assessment prior to delivery and day surgery.

#### **EDUCATION**

1. Takes students and staff from Tertiary and Secondary institutions

#### **COMMUNITY**

- 1 Involved with Child Health, Red Cross, Silver Chain, Nursing Mothers Association, and Women's Multicultural Health Centre.
- 2 Easter Fair - fund raising. To help with budget costs.
- 3 Management supports research activities and reviews that concern mothers and babes.

#### **GOVERNMENT FUNDING**

- 1 Budget allocation \$3.5 million. Does not adequately cover costs such as General Practitioners fees increases. At time of report 72 doctors were accredited to use Woodside hospital's facilities.

A report dated July 1st 1992, estimated the market value for the land surrounding Woodside was \$760,000. It had a frontage of 99.58 metres.

The land could be subdivided into 8 duplex and 2 single residences

Market value of the buildings was \$4,424,000 = total value of property is

\$5,184,000

The report asked the question "Could another hospital be built for this price?"



# William Dalgety Moore

(1835-1910)

[Address delivered by Dr Richard K. Moore at the formal handing over to Battye Library of two letter books of the executors of the estate of W.D. Moore formerly held by the Town of East Fremantle, in the grounds of *Woodside*, East Fremantle, 11 March, 1999]

The circumstance that brings us together today was the recent discovery of two letter-books compiled by the executors of the will of William Dalgety Moore between 1910, when Moore died, and 1926, when the executors' duties were complete.

WD (as we shall call him) was one of the 'merchant princes' of Fremantle. The term 'merchant prince' has been coined to describe a group of sixteen men and women who between 1870 and 1900 carried on prosperous businesses based in Fremantle and who by the turn of the century had succeeded in making Fremantle the chief port of the colony (over Albany) by construction of a suitable harbour. Their mercantile activities provided employment for many of the residents of Fremantle and environs. Due to the enormous expansion of the State's population (triggered by the gold rushes) the relative significance of their role declined from about the turn of the century.

WD left several tangible monuments to his life. The Moore Buildings in Henry Street Fremantle were the premises of W.D. Moore and Co. for about a hundred years. For the last decade or two of WD's life, *Woodside* served as the family home. St John's [Anglican] Church contains several items given in memory of WD or his family, notably the brass eagle lectern. 22 MAR 1999

A tangible influence of a different kind is the descendants he has left. A number of descendants have the surname 'Moore'; for others, of course, the surname has been lost through marriage. WD had a total of eighteen children, twelve by his first wife, six by his second. Four (all from the first marriage) predeceased him, three dying in infancy or in their early years, one through a sports accident at age nineteen.

When WD was born in August, 1835, the Swan River colony was only a little over six years old. His parents had come out from County Derry, Ireland, as newly-weds the previous year (1834). They were not the first Moores of that family to arrive in the colony. Four years earlier, the year following settlement, WD's uncle, George Fletcher Moore (one of his father's older brothers) had arrived (1830). The year WD's parents arrived Uncle George was appointed Advocate General, with charge of legal affairs in the colony. His home was in the Swan Valley at Upper Swan.



The arrival of his younger brother Samuel—with a wife!—was a complete surprise to Uncle George. Next month he wrote back to those at home: 'I wish I had been apprised of Sam's coming out married. It was rather ridiculous to see him pull out of his trunk his own letter announcing the fact.' (Presumably Sam had picked up his own letter with the rest of the post as he passed through Fremantle or Perth en route to his brother at Upper Swan!)

WD's father purchased land at Middle Swan where he built the family home *Oakover*.<sup>1</sup> Although it has now been demolished, we have various descriptions of it and of the hospitality offered there. That hospitality included entertaining the Salvado brothers as they moved slowly through the Swan Valley en route to found 'New' Norcia. Samuel and Dora evidently arrived from the northern area of Ireland as Presbyterians. It says something about ecumenical relations in the colony of some 2000 inhabitants that they entertained Spanish Roman Catholic Benedictine monks in the mid 1840s. WD would have been about nine at the time.

Like all pioneering families, the Moores were familiar with the face of tragedy. The year after the visit of the Salvados, when WD was about ten, one of his younger brothers, aged around three and a half, lost his life when he was trampled by horses working the mill on *Oakover*, under the supervision of a farm hand (1846). Young Samuel was buried at St Mary's Anglican Church, Middle Swan, with which his parents were now associated. His name was taken over by a brother born later that year (Samuel Joseph Fortescue Moore).

Then, just three year later, when WD was not yet fourteen, his father died from heart disease, aged 46 years (1849). As the oldest of the children, WD was now the oldest male in his family, with two younger sisters and two brothers. Soon after his father's death he went into employment with the Surveyor General's office under J.S. Roe.

It must have been a further blow to WD when his Uncle George decided to resign as Advocate General and leave the colony permanently (1852) after an altercation with the Colonial Office.

In 1854, in his nineteenth year, he resigned from the Surveyor-General's office to take up a position on a station held by Hamersley<sup>2</sup> and Co. in the Irwin River district. In time he became its manager.

While in the north, he joined a party led by the explorer F.T. Gregory to investigate the Murchison and Gascoyne areas (1858).

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<sup>1</sup> *Oakover* is one of five names associated with the family which are reflected in the street names around *Woodside*.

Meanwhile, WD had been writing to Susannah Monger, daughter of another pioneering family in the colony. In 1860, just before his twenty-fourth birthday, he married her. She was nineteen or twenty at the time.

Two year after his marriage, WD relinquished pastoral activities and moved to Fremantle. There he went into partnership with his wife's brother, John Henry Monger. The relative ease with which he moved between farming activities and business partly reflects his father's interests which also had this dual focus.

Five years after entering the partnership, WD branched out on his own, founding W.D. Moore and Co (1867). It was this move which led him eventually to be considered one of the 'merchant princes' of Fremantle. His active association with the firm continued until he retired at age sixty-five, in 1900.

W.D. Moore and Co engaged in a wide range of commercial interests. They included pearling, flour milling, timber milling, mercantile houses at Cossack and Roebourne in association with coastal shipping, as well as overseas shipping interests, galvanized iron, fencing wire and barbed wire, and assembling windmills under license from the USA. As well as carrying general groceries, they manufactured such commodities as coffee and floor polish

In addition, W.D. Moore himself became a money lender on quite a vast scale. His debtors included family members (some connected by marriage), many arrangements involving finance for real estate of various kinds. His interests spread through the metropolitan area and many parts of the State, with the focus at Fremantle and environs. He was a shareholder in banks and in the Fremantle Gas and Coke Co. Through his mother (a Dalgety) he had contacts with business firms in the United Kingdom and for a time held the Western Australian agency for Dalgetys of London.

Like other merchant princes, WD had extensive social, civic, and political involvement in the colony. He was the representative for Fremantle in the Legislative Council (1870-1872) and a nominee in the first Legislative Council under responsible government (1890-1894). In 1871 he served on the committee which investigated the possibility of constructing a deep water harbour at Fremantle, and in 1892 was a representative of the Legislative Council on another committee set up to study C.Y. O'Connor's proposals for an inner harbour. When the railway workshops were under threat of removal from Fremantle, he became a member of the Vigilance Committee, though it was ultimately

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<sup>2</sup> Later one of his sons (George Frederick) was to marry a Hamersley.



unsuccessful in preventing them from being relocated to Midland. With the revival of the Fremantle Chamber of Commerce (1873)<sup>3</sup>, he became its president and when the AMP Society came to WA in 1889 he became its first president.

WD's first wife Susannah died in 1876 after sixteen years of marriage, during which she bore him twelve children. Three of these predeceased her.

Three years after his first wife's death WD remarried (1879). Annie Gallop was a vivacious brunette, also from a pioneering family (of Gallop House fame), seventeen years his junior. She was to bear him a further six children, five daughters and one son.

It was evidently about 1890<sup>4</sup> that WD had the family home, *Woodside*, built on about 140 acres.

Following his death on 22 April 1910, WD's estate, valued at some £100,000, was handled by three executors, the oldest two of his surviving sons<sup>5</sup> and his younger brother, Samuel Joseph Fortescue Moore.

*Woodside* proved far too extensive for Annie Moore and the members of the family still living at home. The land surrounding it went through a number of subdivisions, then eventually the family home itself was sold. It took the three executors of the will sixteen years to finalize the estate (1910-1926). The 1244 pages of the two letter books we have met to formally hand over to Battye Library today provide an invaluable record of the transactions involved. Some of the letters are of interest primarily to the family, but all help to capture a world that has now passed away. They provide us with pointers to the social history of Fremantle, East Fremantle, the wider State, and indeed the wider world as it was in the first quarter of the twentieth century.

It is very appropriate that this handing over ceremony is taking place at *Woodside*. After all, what better way was there to preserve the memory of a father of eighteen than by turning his home into a maternity hospital?

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<sup>3</sup> Date supplied by Geoffrey J. Moore; P.M. Brown *The merchant princes of Fremantle* (1996) 21, gives 1883.

<sup>4</sup> P.M. Brown *The merchant princes of Fremantle* (1996) 161, 163 and 209 n.13.

<sup>5</sup> William Dalgety Moore (Jnr) and George Frederick Moore.



# Certified Copy of an Entry in a Register of Births

(Registration of Births, Deaths, and Marriages Act, 1894-1956)

BIRTHS IN THE FREMANTLE REGISTRY DISTRICT.

23101

Column 1 Registration Number 46/24 REGISTERED BY H.W. Fordham DISTRICT REGISTRAR

CHILD		
2	(1) When and (2) Where born.. .. .	1924 17th January "Woodside" Private Hospital East Fremantle
3	(1) Name. .... .	John Silas
	(2) Whether present at Registration or not.... .	Not present
4	Sex... ..	M
PARENTS		
Father		
5	(1) Name and Surname.... .	Herbert Gay
	(2) Rank or Profession of the Father. .... .	Painter
	(3) Age... ..	47 years
	(4) Birthplace.. .... .	Mount Pleasant. Ballarat Victoria
6	(1) When and (2) Where married .... .	1910 24th November North Fremantle W.A.
	(3) Previous Issue living... ..	Living Clarice Maud 12 Alice Ruth Mary 10 Muriel Elsie 8 Francis Herbert Neal 6 Keith Ford 3
	(4) Previous Issue deceased. .... .	-
Mother		
7	(1) Name and Maiden Surname of the Mother. ....	Alice Maud Mary Rudeforth
	(2) Age... ..	43 years
	(3) Birthplace. .... .	Walshamstow London England
INFORMANT		
8	(1) Signature.. .... .	H Gay
	(2) Description .... .	Father
	(3) Residence of Informant.. .... .	151 Hubble Street East Fremantle
WITNESS		
9	(1) Accoucheur .... .	E.C. East F.R.C.S.
	(2) Nurse by whom certified. .... .	Mrs Rose Carlton
	(3) Names of Occupier or other Witnesses .... .	Mrs Rose Carlton
REGISTRAR		
10	When Registered and Where.. .... .	1924 23rd January Fremantle
11	Signature of District Registrar .... .	H.W. Fordham
12	Name, if added after Registration of Birth.... .	-

I, Graeme Brandon Banks, Acting District Registrar for Fremantle  
of the State of Western Australia, do hereby certify that the above is a true copy of an entry  
in a Register of Births kept in this Office.

OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT REGISTRAR, FREMANTLEDATE 27 OCT 1986

*Graeme Brandon Banks*  
Acting District REGISTRAR



Fee Paid \$10.00



# Petition

## of the Residents of Fremantle praying for the Construction of a Maternity Hospital for the Fremantle Districts

PRESENTED BY MR. SLEEMAN ON TUESDAY, 2ND AUGUST, 1949

*Ordered to be Printed*

### To the Honourable the Legislative Assembly of the Parliament of Western Australia

I hereby petition of the residents of Fremantle and of the Members of the Legislative Assembly and the Executive Council of the Parliament of Western Australia, whose signatures are hereto appended, sheweth—

THAT as, the undersigned residents of the district of Fremantle, being convinced of the necessity for a Maternity Hospital, do hereby pray that such Hospital shall be erected in the Fremantle District.

My petition is formulated for the following reasons:—

1. Fremantle comprises a population of some 50,000 persons.
2. Maternity facilities for this population are provided for by St. Helens, Sanhedrin and Hill Crest Hospitals with the accommodation of 45 beds.
3. It is common knowledge that these Hospitals are unable to accommodate the maternity cases in the district, in proof of which many expectant mothers have to be admitted to the King Edward Memorial Hospital irrespective of their own inclinations.
4. Many of the women are, therefore, deprived of the services of their own doctors.
5. By reason of the distance from their homes visits from their relatives are very much restricted.
6. If a Maternity Hospital were built in Fremantle it would be possible to provide Pre-Natal Treatment which is most essential.
7. The pressure on the local hospitals (if the patient is fortunate enough to be admitted) makes it imperative that the mother must leave the hospital long before she is really physically strong enough to do so.
8. The needs of the Fremantle District have been much more urgent since the following hospitals which catered for maternity cases have ceased to operate. The Grosvenor, Bunda Kudja, Woodside and the Ocean View Hospitals.
9. The population of Fremantle, due to the rapid expansion of industries, has materially increased whilst there has been a marked decrease in the accommodation provided.
10. The urgency and need for such a hospital is strongly recommended by all the doctors in the Fremantle District.
11. The whole of the Local Authorities in the Fremantle District can vouch for the many cases within their own districts where the health of the mother and child has been seriously menaced by the lack of hospital accommodation.
12. The building of the Maternity Hospital would ensure that the future mothers would be given the best medical attention and the health and well-being of their children safeguarded.

Our petitioners will ever pray that their humble and earnest petition may be acceded to.

(Here follow 8,000 signatures).



# HOSPITAL MATRON TO S

**WOODSIDE Hospital Matron Caroline Leggate will retire at the end of July.**

Matron Leggate was born in Lanarkshire, Scotland, in 1899, came to Australia at the age of 12 and began training as a nurse at 20.

She completed her general nursing training at Fremantle Hospital. "We only had a staff of 30 and had to work hard in those days," she said today.

## RETIRE



Matron Leggate

into a nursing home—and Woodside and Miss Leggate returned to Woodside as matron.

During her many years of work at the hospital, Matron Leggate has made many friends and has had many memorable experiences—some of these have included young baby girls being named after her.

She now plans to take a complete rest and spend her time settling into her new home in Bicton. A gardening enthusiast, she hopes to make a hobby of pot plants.

## Controlled access agreed

**AGREEMENT** has been reached by Fremantle City Council and the Main Roads Department regarding future reserve for the Stock-rd. controlled access.

A spokesman for the council said today that the understanding would enable the sub-division of portion of the land is to be disposed of to St. Joseph's Convent to proceed.

In return, this would allow the convent to sell about four acres of land near Nazareth House in Laidlaw-st., Hilton Park to the Silver Chain Nursing Association.

The association proposes to build a home for elderly people.

## Powell stays president

**ROCKINGHAM Shire Council president A. Powell** was re-elected for a further year at the latest council meeting.

Two new councillors were welcomed to the meeting—councillors G. W. Healey and E. L. Cooper, who represent the Safety Bay and Townwards respectively.

## In Sydney

Matron Leggate then completed her midwifery certificate at the Paddington Hospital for Women in Sydney and studied child welfare at Tressilian Hospital in Willoughby, NSW.

Returning to Western Australia, she worked as matron of the Dowerin Hospital for five years.

Joining Woodside Hospital staff as a midwife before the war Matron Leggate became a partner of Miss Irene Kier-

nan who then ran the private hospital.

Leaving Woodside Hospital she took over duties at the Bundi Kudja Maternity Hospital in Hampton-rd., Fremantle, for three years.

The Government then purchased both Bundi Kudja—converting it

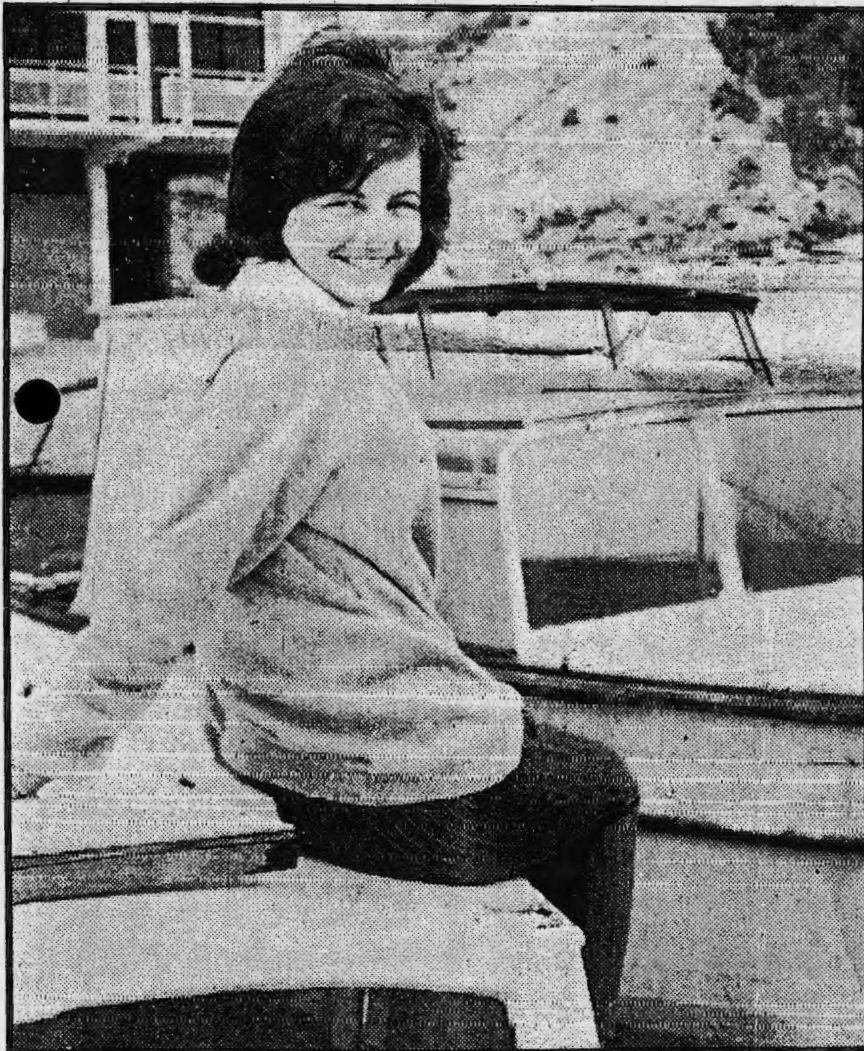
## Visit by Northam pupils

**JOHN Curtin High School** will play host to students from Northam High School on Friday, July 8.

The visitors' programme lasts from 10 a.m. until 9 p.m.

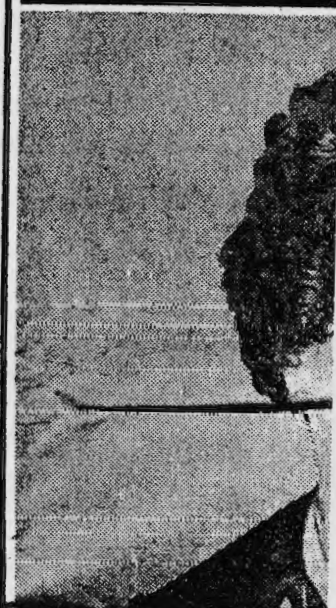
The Northam students will visit the Port Authority building and may inspect a ship in port.

In the afternoon the schools will compete at football, hockey and basketball.



Seventeen-year-old Kaye Gilmour of Melville doesn't mind the wintry weather. She is pictured here at East Fremantle Yacht Club, where members have been busy painting, cleaning and repairing yachts and launches.

## ANOTHER RELAX



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## FREMANTLE MARKET PLACE

### Bus. Partnerships

**LOCAL CONTRACT** with established Pty. Limited Co. (own car nec). Delivering small packages to trade in this area. Net approx. £25-£40 p.w. for 2.5 hrs daily. Sell for £1575 cash. Manufacturers offer trial and money back guarantee. For interview write immediately Box DN755 this office, Perth.

### Property Improvement

**ALTERATIONS** and renovations at prices you can afford. Write or call Kay Jay 183 Marmion-st., Palmyra. 5 3071, a.h. 5 3022.

### Situations Wanted

**CARPETS, lounges** shampooed by Durants. Quote free. 5 2719, 8 8346. **CARPETS, Lounges** shampooed. DURRANTS quote free all subs. 5 2719. A/H 8 8346.

### For Sale

**SECONDHAND Furniture** and all requirements. RUSTY'S, 183 Marmion-st., East Fremantle. **BARGAIN CENTRE OF THE WEST** 5. 3071



## WOODSIDE MATERNITY HOSPITAL UNDER THREAT

The people of Fremantle and surrounding suburbs are URGED to consider the implications of the currently formed Obstetric Review Committee convened by the current Government.

It has long been rumoured Woodside Maternity Hospital would close and the service transferred to Fremantle Hospital. This rumour may become a reality on the ultimate recommendation of this Committee, without consulting the wishes of the local public.

Currently Woodside provides a cost effective service with modern Obstetric facilities for the normal confinement. It also carries out minor gynaecological surgery. The Hospital is well known in the district for providing a family centred approach, using a well health model as the basis for its care.

The environment is a delight and there is easy access parking for visitors and family. Patients whether public or private can have their Doctor of choice, whilst the medical practitioners of the district, on accreditation of their credentials have visiting rights. Furthermore it is the only hospital in the metropolitan area that provides access and facilities for the homebirth midwives and their clients.

By way of contrast should Woodside close, you the consumer may end up with an obstetric facility in a multi-rise building with minimal parking and no access to your Doctor of choice. Also should you need minor surgery you will be added to the already lengthy waiting lists of the large metropolitan hospitals. Woodside does not have a waiting list and admission is immediate.

Therefore should you wish to have your say in the fate of your local maternity hospital you are urged to ask questions of your councillors, Members for Parliament, Doctors and even contact the Health Department of W.A.

Woodside is your community hospital and the consumer should be involved in this decision making process.

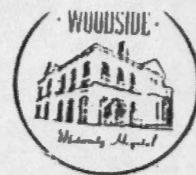
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**CERTIFICATE OF SUBSTANTIATION**

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**This is to certify that,**

**Judy RICHARDS**

**has been substantiated to a STAFF DEVELOPMENT/CLINICAL NURSE (level 2) position  
in the area of OBSTETRIC AND GYNAECOLOGICAL NURSING, ON 21ST JUNE 1988.**

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**Director of Nursing**

*Introduced after changes in Nursing Career Structure. Staff had  
to prove they were capable at level they were paid for.*

WOODSIDE MATERNITY HOSPITAL

18 DALGETY STREET. EAST FREMANTLE.

HISTORY:

"WOODSIDE" was built in C 1900 by William Dalgety Moore.

It was one of the first stately homes built in East Fremantle.

The site was originally part of a big vineyard with its boundaries extending from Canning Highway to Marmion Street, Silas Street and Petra Street.

William Dalgety was the son of Sam Moore a wealthy early settler and co founder of the Bank of W.A. (Established in 1837).

William Dalgety Moore founded a merchant business in Fremantle in 1862. He was elected a member of the Legislative Council in 1871 and was the first president of the Fremantle Chamber of Commerce, which was formed in 1837.

Mr. Moore married twice, first to Susanna Monger (Dec 1876) then to Annie Gallop (Dec 1940).

Collectively 18 children resulted from these two marriages.

William Dalgety died in 1910.

The Woodside Estate was continued to 1926 although some of the surrounding land was sold for residential development. In 1926 the residence and existing grounds was sold to Dr. East, a prominent local medical practitioner.

It was converted into a private general hospital retaining the name of "Woodside".

Nursing Sisters Irene and Florence Kiernan conducted the hospital for 21 years.

After Dr. East's death, Woodside was bought by the Crippled Children's Seaside Home Society, but the Society found the premises unsuitable. On October 23rd, 1953, Woodside was opened as a modern 26 bed Maternity Hospital by the then Medical Department. The premises and land were sold to the Government in 1951 for \$17,000.

Subsequent to the opening there have been two extensions added, the last in 1966.

Woodside now serves as Fremantle and Districts only Government Maternity Hospital. It has facilities for 40 beds and caters for approximately 1,000 deliveries per year. Since the closure of Devonleigh Hospital in 1979 minor gynaecological surgery is now carried out in the hospital. In 1985 the management of Woodside was transferred from the Health Department of W.A. to the Board of Fremantle Hospital.

1987.

## MANAGEMENT PHILOSOPHY

To provide hospital facilities in which patient care of a high standard is delivered and at the same time adhering to the Health Department of W.A.'s corporate plan in association with Fremantle Hospital.

The Management is committed to:-

1. The provision of individualised quality care for all patients.
2. Maintaining hospital facilities at a high standard, upgrading and improving as necessary.  
Commensurate with funding allocation from the State and Federal Governments.
3. Providing secure, pleasant and rewarding employment for all employees.
4. The encouragement of the personal and professional development of staff members.
5. The review of privileges granted to medical practitioners using the hospital facilities.
6. The inclusion of the family network in provision of all care.
7. The preservation of life and will not enter into practices that terminates or puts life in jeopardy
8. The support of home confinements and will provide within the hospital resources for the Home Birth Midwives should the need arise..

March 5, 1987

COMPILED BY: M.CAMERON, J.JARVIS, J.RICHARDS, C.LOCK



## WOODSIDE MATERNITY HOSPITAL

### PURPOSE

The purpose of the nursing department is to provide efficient and effective nursing care to patients in accordance with the policies set forth by the administrative body.

### PHILOSOPHY

The nurses of Woodside Hospital believe in each individual's dignity, right to quality of life and freedom of choice. We respect and accommodate a person's cultural, spiritual, intellectual and emotional differences. Patients are assisted to recovery, to a new way of life and supported in death.

1. We believe that the patient and family has a right to expect all nursing personnel to be appropriately qualified to carry out the services for which they are employed.
2. We believe that nurses are accountable for their own professional practice.
3. We believe that each nurse is co-responsible with the Board of Management in the acquisition of personal and professional development.
4. We believe that Medical Practitioners have the right to expect that their orders (Medically sound and documented) are carried out.
5. We believe that the patient has a right to a full explanation of any treatment carried out or drug administered.
6. We believe that as a member of the Health Team, the nurse has the opportunity to act as the patient's advocate and to intervene on her behalf.
7. We believe that the patient has the right to expect and question the nursing care necessary to attain and maintain an optimal degree of health.
8. We believe the nurse must promote a climate in which the patient and partner are taught to cope with the altered family situation.
9. We recognise our duty to the patient's family, and the right of the family to be treated with courtesy and where practicable to be involved in the care of the patient.
10. We believe that the nurse should communicate with all hospital employees and visiting service personnel to promote "Esprit de Corps".
11. We believe in fostering within the hospital a climate of friendliness, consideration and loyalty.

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## WOODSIDE HOSPITAL

### OBJECTIVES

Are measurable statements of attainable outcomes set within the framework of the hospital's role statement.

- To work towards Hospital Accreditation.
- To further develop liaison with home birth midwives and patients.
- Commensurate with funding allocation and availability of suitable staff, provide efficient services to the community.
- To maintain and develop liaison between inter-hospital departments, private health care professionals and visiting health care personnel.
- To provide ongoing education facilities and opportunities for all categories of staff.
- To upgrade medical and environmental facilities, commensurate with budget allocations.

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GENERAL INFORMATION

1. OFFICE HOURS

Matron: 8.15 - 4.45PM

(In her absence the assistant matron or charge nurse.)

GENERAL OFFICE

8.30 - 8.30PM (Monday - Friday)

WEEKENDS

8.30 - 3.15PM

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

8.30 - 12.30PM No Evening Office Hours.

2. HOURS OF DUTY

MORNING SHIFT 7.00AM - 3.30PM

AFTERNOON SHIFT 1.00PM - 9.30PM

NIGHT SHIFT 9.00PM - 7.30AM

ALL SHIFTS ALLOW FOR A ½ HOUR MEAL BREAK.

ROSTER PERIOD

14 DAYS - COMMENCES MONDAY.



3. CLOCK CARDS

A time clock is situated in the passage way leading to the kitchen and must be used by all staff members when commencing work and going off duty.

NB/ It is a legal offence for any person to clock on and off for another. If you forget to clock your card, it must be signed by one of the following :- Matron, Assistant Matron, Charge Nurse, Office Staff.

4. OVERTIME

Must be authorised by senior person on duty. According to the Nurses Award, this may be paid in either salary or time off.

If the latter is chosen it must be within 28 days.

5. TEA BREAKS

Morning Tea	10.00 - 10.30
Afternoon Tea	3.00 - 3.30
Supper	7.30 - 8.00

Two Sittings.

Prompt attendance and return facilitates catering staff.  
Morning tea and supper are provided.

6. MEAL BREAKS

Half hour between the following times.

Lunch 12.00 - 1.30

Tea 5.00 - 6.00

Night Staff - any time, dependant on work committments.

The ward areas must be adequately covered.

On most occassions it should not be necessary to depart from these times.

7. MEALS FOR SALE

The nursing staff dining room is located upstairs.

Facilities available:

Fridge

Hotplate

Microwave oven (in patients drinks room)

Coffee & Tea

Vending machines front foyer

- Meal tickets are available for purchase during office hours.
- A menu is available in the staff dining room. Meals must be ordered by 11.00AM and 3.00PM.
- Place meal ticket with name and 'choice' in the tin provided.
- Supper dishes must be washed and put away by the nursing staff.

8. PATIENT MEALS

BREAKFAST	0745
MORNING TEA	1000
LUNCH	1200
AFTERNOON TEA	2.15
TEA	5.45
SUPPER	7.45

Nursing staff are requested to place meals in either the hot box or fridge, if patient otherwise occupied at meal times.

9. SALARIES

- Paid fortnightly. *Pay slips available first Wed of roster*
- Payment is into a nominated bank, some building societies, or credit union.

10. LEAVE

Annual, sick and other leave entitlements as per Public Hospitals Award (WA)

Requests for leave made to Matron or delegated Deputy.

Annual & Accrued Leave may be taken in 3 lots per year after the first 12 months.

Leave before 12 months service can be offered on request.



## 11. TELEPHONES

Personal calls are expected to be kept to an acceptable limit. These will be directed to the staff member or message taken. Home addresses or phone numbers will not be issued to outside callers (Refer to Matron or Delegated Deputy in exceptional circumstances).

Personal calls (Outgoing).

To be kept to an acceptable minimum.

An 'honour' box is placed in the ward duty room to pay for calls.

The Public phones are also available for staff calls.

### PATIENT CALLS

Patients do not have access to phones at the bedsides, Staff are requested to answer the incoming calls of the public phone booth, get the patient or take a written message.

### HOSPITAL CALLS

Outside office hours all calls are directed to the ward, nursery or labour ward. Familiarize yourself with redirecting calls.

Outside access gained by dialling '0', except Drs phone in the Labour Ward.

The number of lines is limited and phone conversations should be kept as brief as practicable.



12. SMOKING

Smoking is permitted only in specified areas.

There is no smoking in the staff dining room.

13. GENERAL HOSPITAL PROCEDURE AND RESPONSIBILITIES

A folder of general hospital procedures is available in each area. This, together with information re Job descriptions, should provide guidance for most situations.

14. UNIFORMS

The uniforms are supplied and laundered by the Hospital Laundry and Linen Service and remain their property.

UNIFORMS MUST NOT BE WORN OFF THE PREMISES.

ALL STAFF: white shoes, with an enclosed toe, flat or 'stack' heel recommended.

CAPS: Not worn. Hair must be kept neat and tidy.

SLACKSUITS: can be bought by individual staff members.

In this case, payment and laundering is their own responsibility.

CARDIGANS: blue - These are provided and are to be kept in an appropriate state of repair. They should not be worn whilst carrying out nursing procedures inclusive of bed making.

GOWNS & PINAFORES: are available but should be removed before going to meal breaks.

NAME BADGES: Initially provided without charge and must be worn. Replacement badges are available on order at some cost.

### JEWELLERY + Nail Polish

Wedding rings, small stud earrings, and a simple strand necklace acceptable only.

Wrist watches not to be worn when carrying out nursing procedures, inclusive of care of babies in cribs/theatre.

Nail polish - Clear or skin tones. (Chipped nail polish is a source of infection).

### PERSONAL HYGIENE AND APPEARANCE.

Should be of the highest calibre at all times. Nursing staff are in close contact with their colleagues, patients and public all through their working day, and an indifferent appearance reflects badly on the hospitals established standards.

### 15. EDUCATION

INSERVICE - Alternating monthly programmes are presented at Attadale and Woodside.

Staff are encouraged to attend where practicable.

Record of attendances should be kept and will be filed in Personnel Folder.

Updates of nursing education programmes are kept on the pin board - the ward duty room.

Access to workshops and seminars may be granted through study days, although such requests cannot always be granted.

Registration Fees may be paid through a special fund (Request to be made through the Matron).

Staff should be prepared to fund their own educational requirements.

### 16. FIRE AND SAFETY LECTURE

All staff must attend one lecture per year, inclusive of a demonstration of the hospitals fire fighting facilities.

Staff must be familiar with the hospitals fire fighting procedures.

### 17. NURSES BOARD REGISTRATION

Annual Registration with the Nurses Board of WA is a legal requirement. Evidence of registration must be sighted annually by the Matron/Delegated Deputy.

## 18. PARKING

Is available on-site and is free. Staff should lock their cars for safety reasons. The parking areas are flood lit at night.

## SOCIAL CLUBS

Staff can affiliate with the Fremantle Hospital Social Club and participate in subsidized activities. A news sheet provides information.

## 19. EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMES - PATIENTS

Ante natal Education provided to patients includes :-

Parenthood Classes	Mondays 7.30PM, repeated Thursdays 11.00am
Physiotherapy Classes	Tuesdays / Thursdays at 9.30am
Matrons Tour/Lecture	First Thursday in Every month at 2.00pm.

Pre-Admission Interviews 2 patients per day, any time between 1.30pm - 5pm.

## CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Staff are requested to notify the clerical staff and Matron of change of address and telephone number.

A list of staff phone numbers is kept in the ward areas for contact.

## CHANGE ROOMS

Are provided with individual lockers.  
Showers and toilet facilities are adjacent to the change rooms.

## 20. ROSTERING AND REQUESTS

A dual rotation and request system is in practise.

No staff member will work more than 6 duties except in exceptional circumstances.

Every effort is made to grant requests but excessive numbers of requests/ person is considered unfair to other staff members

## SICK LEAVE

Absence from work through illness should be reported as early as possible.

Sick Certificates:

The Award provides for 10 days leave/year for ill health.

Sick certificates must be presented for all leave longer than 2 days off duty. Should total absences exceed 5 days in one accruing year, sick certificates must be presented for each subsequent day.

Staff should acknowledge return from sick leave to Matron/Charge Nurse.



COMMUNICATION CHANNELS

Maintained through personal approach, staff meetings, memo's and a staff communication book.

21. PATIENT AND VISITORS COMPLAINTS

Must be dealt with immediately and in a courteous manner.  
Refer to Matron/delegated deputy or senior person in charge.

All complaints of nursing care given by staff will be referred to the Matron.  
Counselling and disciplinary action could follow.



## WOODSIDES FUTURE

As a former staff member, now homebirth midwife and contributor to the Obstetric Task Force report I resent the insinuation that the facilities at Woodside Maternity Hospital are substandard (May 17) Woodside provides a modern obstetric facility with a well equipped theatre. It is serviced by many of Perth's leading obstetricians, anaesthetists and paediatricians. Regarding laboratory facilities these are provided by both Fremantle and King Edward Memorial Hospital and the service is equivalent to any provided in the other suburban public and private hospitals.

Woodside is known nationally as Western Australia's only equivalent to a Birthing Centre and has pioneered many innovative birthing practises in this State. The Task Force report did not recommend the outright closure of Woodside as a maternity hospital and the public would do well to read an independant consultants report published in December 1989. The Forbes Report also evaluated obstetric services in this State and recommended the retention of this unique facility.

Woodside provides not only a service to the local community but is used by families from all over Perth and the country regions.

21st May 1990

# Red tape and notes alter nurses' comfort states

By CATHY O'LEARY

NURSES at several Perth teaching hospitals are unimpressed by "gobbledegook nursing jargon" that they now have to use when writing patient notes.

Some nurses have complained to *The West Australian* about incredibly long-winded terminology they are being urged to use instead of simple, easily understood words.

The "jargon" means nurses are expected to use long explanations instead of a few words, such as referring to a patient being in "an alteration in comfort state" instead of just being in pain.

Other terminological abominations include:

- "Alteration in body size secondary to excessive dietary intake over calorific needs" instead of obesity.
- "Deficit in hygiene" rather than saying the patient cannot wash him or herself.
- "Lack of skin integrity" to describe a bed sore.
- "Potential for activity intolerance" instead of saying a patient might be in pain if attempting to walk on a sore leg.

They are also being encouraged to describe someone drunk as "suffering from excessive CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>OH intake".

The nurses said that the move towards the jargon was based on a new system of diagnosis promoted at a tertiary level.

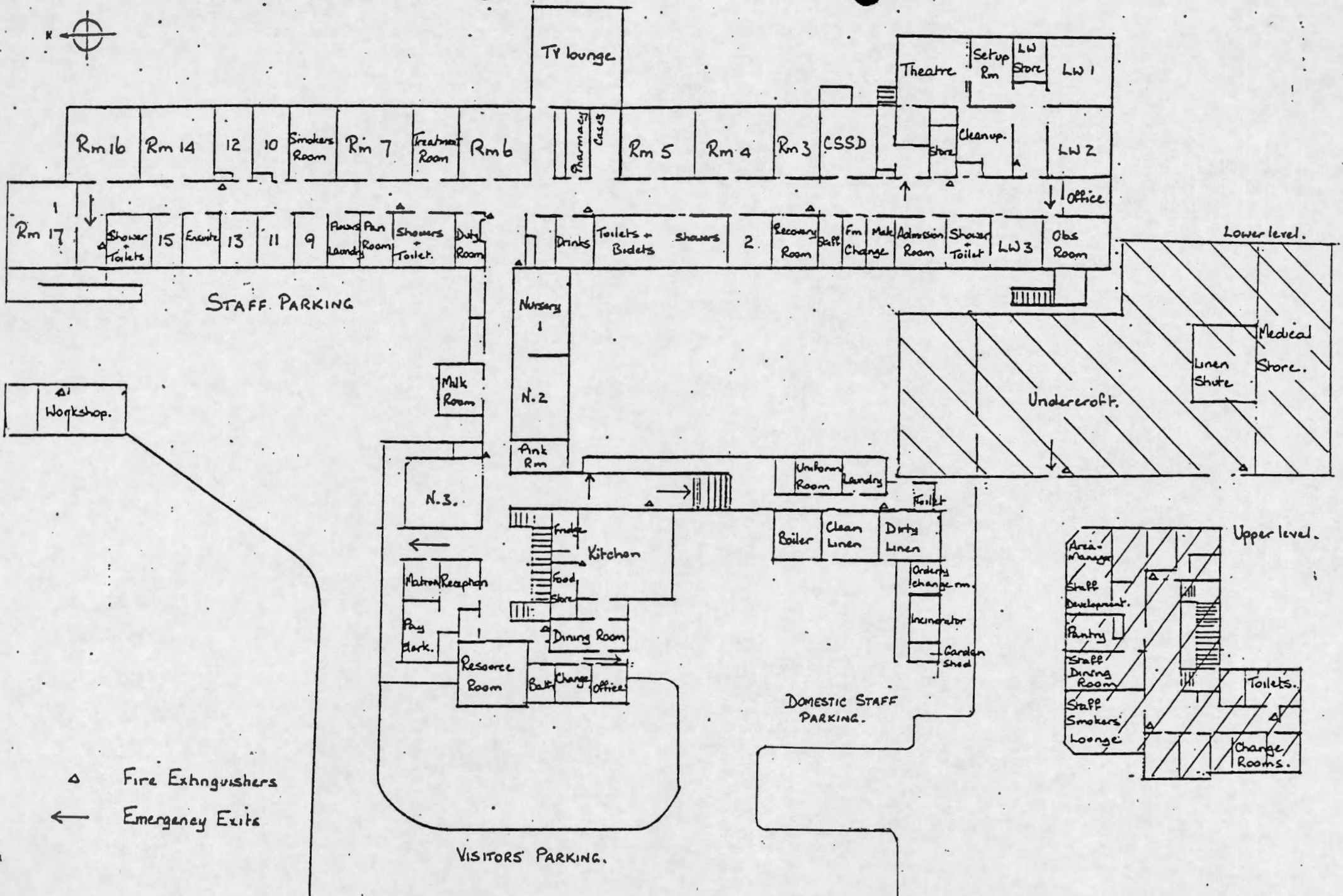
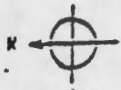
One said the notes were time-consuming, especially when one had to stay back after a shift to complete five or six pages of them.

It was also ironic "that while there are moves to demystify medicine, we have this sort of nonsense such as not being able to say a patient is in pain".

Another nurse said colleagues were being pressed to use the new terminology although many saw it as a convoluted way of reporting simple observations.

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WOODSIDE MATERNITY HOSPITAL



△ Fire Extinguishers  
 ← Emergency Exits



by BRIAN MITCHELL

EXPECTING hard times from next month's budget, Woodside Maternity Hospital has decided to get tough now and implement severe cost-cutting measures.

The East Fremantle hospital, an annex of Fremantle Hospital, has stopped taking patients from outside its immediate catchment area, with a few exceptions for regular patients and some country people.

Medical services director Dr Don Hicks said the decision was made to restrict patient eligibility in a bid to prevent the lengthening of waiting queues.

He said it was a fairer system.

"All hospitals are given a budget for elective surgery, and out of that budget the hospitals pay GPs and specialists for treating public patients," said Dr Hicks.

"The government pays \$3-\$4000 for each delivery, which is a fairly big financial outlay."

About 1000 babies are understood to be delivered at Woodside each year, and it is the cost associated with the births which has led the hospital to make its decision.

With other metropolitan hospitals also cutting costs, their queues have length-



Woodside Hospital - severe cost cutting measures

# Expectant Woodside cuts back

ened, and specialists - some from as far as the outer northern suburbs - have admitted their patients at Woodside. It is these extra "non-local" patients which have caused a drain on hospital resources.

Dr Hicks said Woodside had overspent its 1990/91 budget, and didn't want to be in the same position next year.

"We won't know till next month - two months into the financial year - how much we've got, so we've got to do it by guesswork."

"Assuming we don't get a massive increase, and that's not a big secret, we have to plan cutting back."

WA Australian Medical Association deputy executive

director Peter Jennings was unaware of the situation when the Herald contacted him, but said patients shouldn't have to suffer because of budgetary problems between doctors and the government.

"The spectre of further budget cuts has come at a time of pressing demand," he said.

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## Woodside clarifies

ON behalf of Woodside Hospi-  
tal's Medical Advisory Committee I  
wish to clarify the financial situation  
of Woodside Hospital, which was  
wrongly reported in the article  
'Expectant Woodside Cuts Back'  
(Herald 22/07/91).

In 1990-91 the budgetary alloca-  
tion for Woodside Hospital (along  
with all other government hospitals  
in WA) was one per cent less than in  
the previous financial year, making it  
a similar amount to that spent by the  
Perth City Council on entertainment!

Since Fremantle Hospital ceased  
to provide any gynaecological  
service about two years ago there  
has been a 13 per cent rise in gynae-  
cological theatre usage as well as an  
increased number of births and an  
extensive obstetric outreach pro-  
gramme.

Woodside has provided and  
continues to provide an excellent  
service to this community. However,  
Woodside did overspend its budget  
in the last financial year and with  
further funding cutbacks anticipated  
it is essential for services to be  
rationalised to avoid overspending.

There has been no allocation of  
funds by Fremantle Hospital for the  
expanding gynaecological service  
which has been funded entirely from  
the existing Woodside budget.

In the long term, if we are to  
maintain an adequate public gynae-  
cological service for this area  
additional funding will have to be  
provided by the government. In the  
short term it has been decided to  
restrict gynaecological services to  
residents of the southern corridor  
rather than spending part of our

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limited funds servicing people from  
other suburbs who already have a  
service provided in their own area if  
they choose to use it.

Country people will not be  
excluded and there is no suggestion  
that any restriction will be put on  
obstetric admissions, most of whom  
are local people anyway.

Woodside is our local maternity  
hospital before any other considera-  
tion and it is not the number of  
births which is the problem.

I do not know how your reporter  
obtained the figure of \$3-4000 per  
delivery. Woodside is the most cost-  
efficient maternity unit in the  
metropolitan area and even includ-  
ing payments to general practition-  
ers and specialists the figure is well  
below half of this.

While being cost-efficient  
Woodside also provides a very high  
standard of care and safety and the  
committee intends to keep the  
government informed of the finan-  
cial requirements to continue  
providing this essential service to  
this community.

**Dr David O'Donovan**  
Medical Advisory Committee  
Chairman, Woodside Hospital

*Ed's Note: The figure of \$3-4000 was  
given by a Fremantle hospital spokes-  
man.*

# 'These beautiful things'

## An Australian lifeline to Latvia

FROM ANF, WA BRANCH

One morning last June the staff at Tonkals Hospital in Riga, Latvia held a crisis meeting concerning the lack of essentials, including urine testing strips, which were unobtainable in Latvia. By mistake the hospital had not been notified that humanitarian aid from Australia was being delivered to the hospital that day. When ANF member Ilga Nilsson from Perth and others who were involved in the aid effort arrived at hospital they found bewildered staff surrounded by boxes which appeared to have fallen from heaven, containing among other treasures, urine testing strips!

Ilga reports: "When I told them this news from Australia, the doctor with tears in his eyes, said 'That you so far away are thinking of us'. I cried as well and said of course we are thinking of you. As he hugged one of the nurses we had included, he kept saying 'These beautiful things' over and over again. This moment for me made all the work worthwhile. We were able to help in such a direct way."

Ilga was in her home country, Latvia, during May and June this year to contribute a container load of desperately needed medical supplies which left Perth by boat last February. Her airfare was provided by the Australian Baptist Overseas Aid, the container paid for by Daugavas Pienagi Perth Inc., part of a worldwide Latvian organisation, and the contents of the container donated by hospitals, doctors, pharmacists, surgical suppliers and private donors. Ilga, helped by fellow Latvians Gunar Sarkans and Ilmars Rudaks, and many others, also raised cash to



Ilga Nilsson (r.) with health care staff who were excited about their purple uniforms from Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital cleaners.

buy additional equipment and medication.

On her arrival in Riga, Ilga found hospitals which reminded her of those she had seen in the 1950s. Equipment was old and worn, there were no disposables and syringes and needles were from World War II.

Several hospitals and clinics were selected to receive aid in the form of medical and dental supplies, clothes

and toys. The unloading of the container had been well planned in Australia and went very smoothly.

Help was given on a personal level as well. Arrangements were made for a young boy to have an eye operation in Sweden, and a family from the Baptist Church in Claremont, WA, are supporting a desperately needy family in Riga. Gunar Sarkans is now in Riga following up on the aid program and working at the Kuldiga Hospital.

Ilga hopes that, with the help of the Health Department of WA, we could "adopt" the Kuldiga Hospital (following an example set by the United States and a Moscow hospital) and through our support help to raise their medical standards. She also has a wish to bring a couple of nurses to Australia to work out a nursing education program for Latvia and to return with them to help implement it.

She says: "Emergency help is needed at the moment but not forever. They have to learn to work by themselves. They need education and travel abroad to see how the rest of the world is working".

When Ilga returned home she began working on collections for a second container of supplies to be sent this year. ■

If you wish to contribute to this inspiring endeavour, donations can be made to 'Latvian Nurses Help Fund' 4/72 Stirling Hwy, Nedlands, WA, 6009, ph: (09) 386 2420.

Last May a sea-container of donated medical supplies was delivered from Perth to the newly independent Baltic republic of Latvia. The distribution of these supplies was personally supervised by a Latvian born registered nurse, who has lived and worked in Western Australia for the last twenty years.

We are now gathering supplies to send a second container of medical supplies to Latvia, and with this in mind, we ask you to consider donating any surplus or redundant medical supplies and equipment for this project

The recipient of this container is Kuldiga Hospital, as it was apparent that giving a little to many hospitals was gaining little effect, it was better to concentrate on one hospital to do an impact and raise the level of health care. We have now established good contact with the hospital and the Chief Administrator Dr Ivars Eglitis. He will be receiving the container and make sure that the supplies will get distributed in the hospital.

Enclosed is a list of supplies required.

Yours sincerely

Ilga Nilsson  
Project co-ordinator

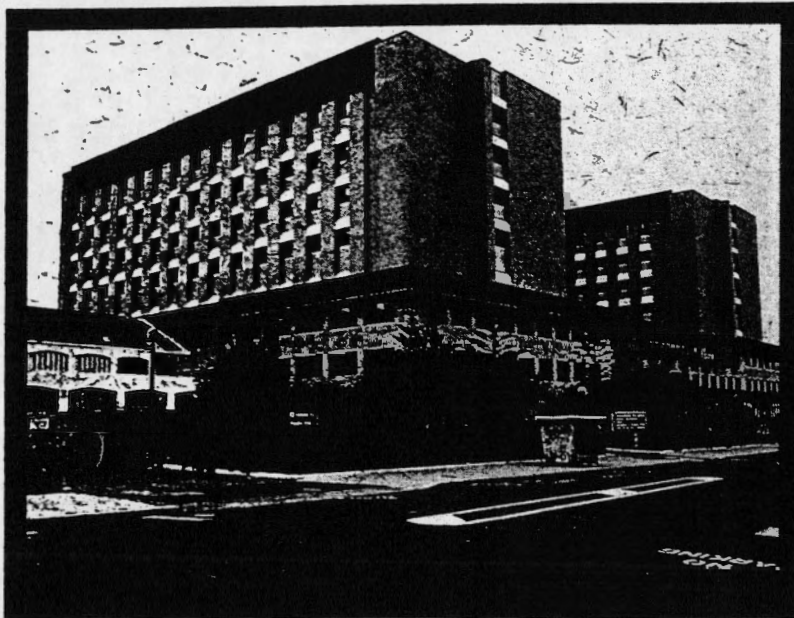








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# WOODSIDE MATERNITY HOSPITAL

Woodside Maternity Hospital remains the only maternity hospital for public patients in the Southern Metropolitan Region. It is also a referral centre for the country regions where obstetric and gynaecological services are limited. The greatest number of referrals come from the Great Southern, the Gascoyne and the Goldfields. The following summary of the total number of deliveries and gynaecological operations performed over the past three years confirms the ongoing need for the women's health service in the region.

YEAR	DELIVERIES	GYNÆCOLOGICAL SURGERY
1990/91	1155	783
1991/92	1156	720
1992/93	1152	726

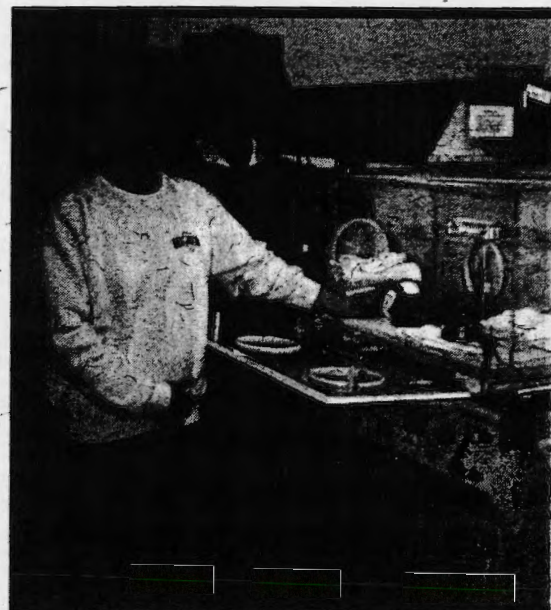
Woodside has the third highest delivery rate in the state for Government hospitals behind King Edward Memorial Hospital and Osborne Park Hospital. The hospital continues to accredit home birth midwives to practise in the hospital. This service has been in place for over a decade and remains a special feature of the hospital's activities.

Complementing the mainstream activities of deliveries and gynaecological surgery, Woodside continues to provide antenatal education programmes, an outpatient service for minor diagnostic and therapeutic procedures, a telephone counselling service, a domiciliary service for early discharges, a baby restraint hire service and pre-admission interviews and assessments prior to delivery and day surgery.

The hospital also believes it has an educational role and has continued to offer placements for students from tertiary and secondary institutions. The work experience programme for secondary school students is highly regarded and now attracts country students who are unable to find placement in their local community. As well as providing teaching programmes, the hospital staff have not neglected their professional development. The hospital has an on site programme and offers study days for external courses to all categories of staff.

Other community links are with the Child Health Service, Red Cross, Silver Chain, the Nursing Mothers Association and the Women's Multicultural Health Centre. This year the Spearwood Brownies, Girl Guides and their parents supported the hospital with fund raising activities and a visit on Mothers Day with gifts.

Woodside Maternity Hospital has continued to receive requests to participate in research activities and reviews. A study titled "Organochlorin Pesticide in Western Australia" by



Mary Cameron with mother and baby.

Dr Margaret Stevens was published in the Medical Journal Australia in February 1993 and Woodside was a participating organisation. Dr Frank Willis, unpreceptorship of paediatrician Dr Corrado Minuti followed through part of his research project on Function and its Relationship to Asphyxiated Bal Woodside. The hospital has also continued to support maintenance of the Congenital Malformations Register research projects are approved by the relevant eth regulatory authorities.

The two reviews on service provision in the Metropolitan Health Region have focused on the fun the activities and facilities of the hospital this year. Or health needs analysis for women and the other was on obstetric, gynaecological and neonatal services Region.

It is incumbent upon me to mention two ma significant events this year that had a positive impact staff morale and the broader community. The n established Easter Fair goes from strength to strengt from invaluable contributions by staff members at families, community organisations, local busines former employees were also actively involved in mal fair a success. All activities were purely voluntary ar than 1,500 people attended the fair. Funds raised with the purchase of amenities for the hospital and Apart from the traditional stalls, the theme was that c promotion. This year there were displays from th Foundation and Cancer Foundation. A diabetic cc and Health Promotions officer were on site to answe related queries.

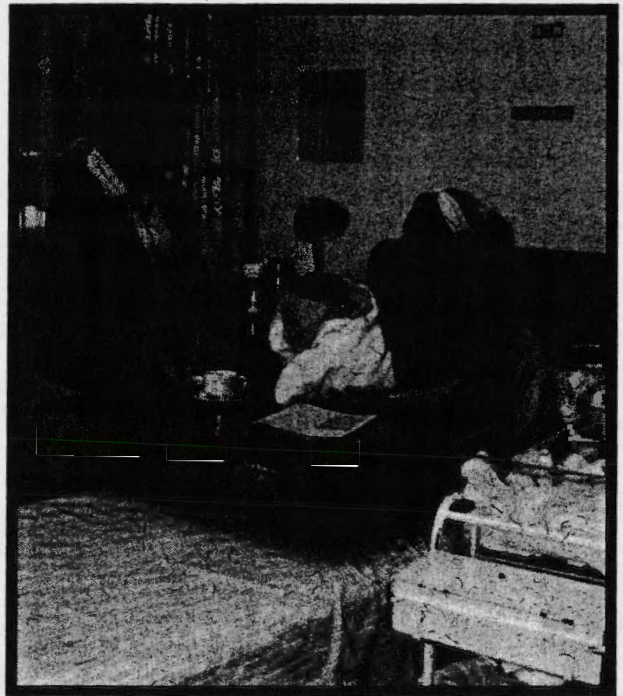


## WOODSIDE MATERNITY HOSPITAL CONT

Our other major social function was to honour the long time employees for their work at the hospital. Twenty three staff with 10 years or more service were presented with badges by Miss H Maiden, a former Director of Nursing at an afternoon tea. Mrs Shirley Kenney was the longest serving staff member having commenced work at the hospital in 1969. Mrs Pamela Cattalini and Mrs Jean Hobson, members of the Board of Management, were also present. Both occasions truly reflected the dedication and commitment of the staff and community to making Woodside the unique institution it has become.

In conclusion, I would personally like to thank all the staff for making this year as successful as it has been in spite of many adversities, particularly in the area of financial constraint. Woodside is a fine example of how a small hospital with limited resources is able to provide an essential service whilst striving to be innovative and community orientated.

MARY CAMERON  
*Nurse Administrator*



*Welcoming a new baby.*

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## **DRESS SENSE IS IN AT WOODSIDE MATERNITY HOSPITAL**

Woodside Maternity Hospital in East Fremantle, has allowed staff to compile their own standards. The outcome is a choice of uniforms that involves the options of slack suits, culottes or skirts. The theme colour is blue with the blouses being a matching floral paisley or stripe pattern. For the cooler weather there are navy vests or cardigans.

The staff have also taken the uniform to involve shoes and the standard has been set whereby only black, navy or white shoes should be worn in good repair with an enclosed tow and rubber sole. Even tights and socks will colour co-ordinate.

Miss Mary Cameron the Nurse Administrator was approached by the staff to review the traditional white nurses uniform because of a need for greater working practicability and greater warmth in the winter months.

Miss Cameron said both staff and patients were happier with their newly chosen outfits. She said uniforms can be a controversial subject and she was pleased there had been a common agreement. The new style gave a wide choice while being both practical and comfortable. Also there was now an established code for a good standard of dress which was believed to be necessary in providing the professional image of the nurse in the 1990's. Furthermore Miss Cameron and the nursing staff believe the new style fits in more appropriately with the family birthing atmosphere that is promoted at Woodside.

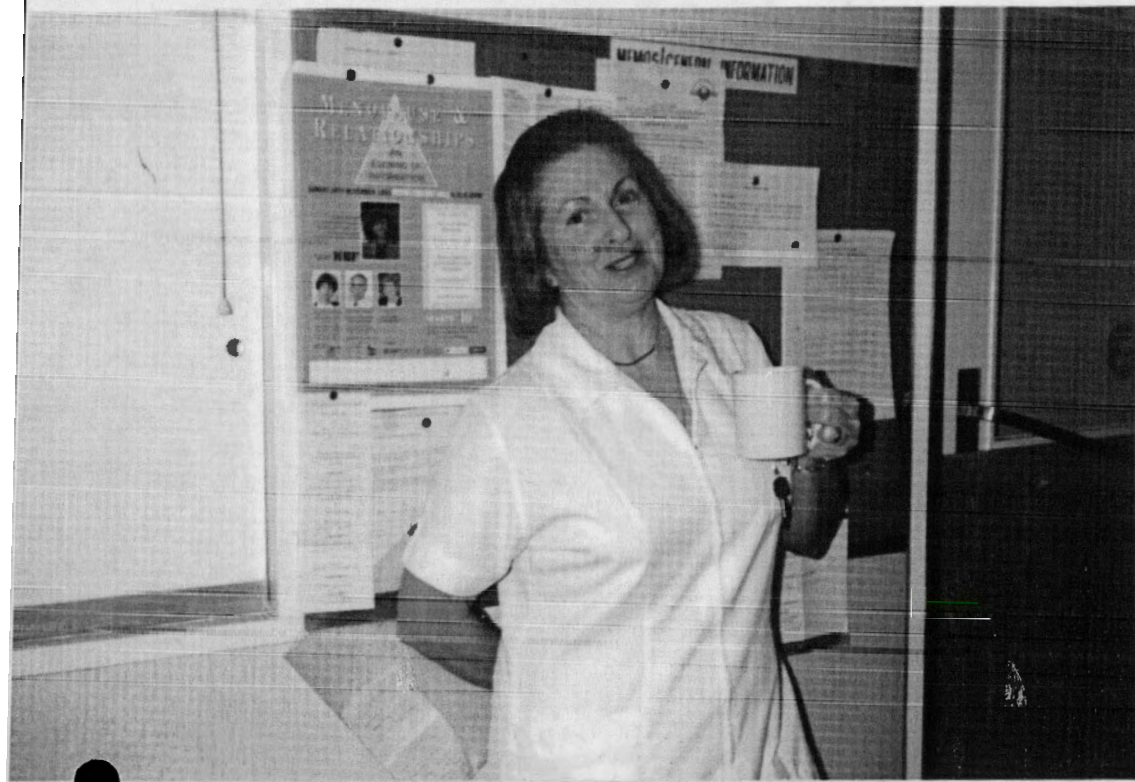


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Staff uniforms prior to changes.

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# Ward closure stuns hospital

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FREMANTLE Hospital has been accused of poaching business after ordering Woodside Hospital to close its gynaecology ward.

The Woodside Medical Advisory Committee chairman said Woodside began the service three years ago when Fremantle abandoned its gynaecology patients and closed the department.

But now, after Woodside had built up the service and won the confidence of its patients, Fremantle wanted the business back.

The bombshell was dropped by Fremantle and Woodside hospital director of clinical services, Dr Mark Platell, in a letter two weeks ago.

The letter ordered Woodside to close its gynaecology ward immediately — but Dr Platell said Fremantle would not begin its services until December, leaving a five-

By SHARON IANNELLO

month gap.

The shock announcement has also drawn criticism from Melville MLA Doug Shave.

The chairman, who is a doctor and cannot be named, told *Community* he believed the announcement threatened the future of Woodside.

"We have no complaints about Fremantle providing an additional service, but it should not be at the exclusion of Woodside," the doctor said.

"This area is desperately underserved. For every \$1 spent on the northern suburbs only 50 cents is spent in the southern suburbs.

"Here we have a perfectly good, highly professional and cost-efficient service which patients in the area are happy and

comfortable with, and they are proposing to close it.

"They told us they planned to reopen and would be taking patients from this area who were going to King Edward Memorial Hospital.

"They had always said it would not pose any threat to Woodside.

"You become very sceptical about the future of Woodside when the government starts chipping away at your services."

Mr Shave said he would not support the closure of the Woodside gynaecology theatre.

"I can see no material benefit at all in closing the facility," he said.

"My understanding is that nothing will be happening at Fremantle for the next six months, if at all. From what I understand they are already and equipped at a stage to pick up the demand.

"I think Dr Platell has jumped the gun. I don't believe this decision has been made at a ministerial level and I certainly would not be supporting any move to close any services at Woodside."

Health Minister Graham Kierath was not available to comment.

Dr Platell said it was more appropriate for the gynaecological services to be provided by Fremantle.

He said the regional training centre had a better-equipped theatre and recovery room with anaesthetists on hand 24 hours and emergency back-up facilities that were not available at Woodside.

Dr Platell said Fremantle was forced to close its services about three years ago after its two gynaecologists resigned.

He admitted there was no guarantee Fremantle patients would not suffer the same fate a second time.

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# 'Supermum' says nine is enough

TAFF at Woodside maternity hospital in East Remantle have nicknamed 39-year-old Carol Ioppolo "Supermum".

Carol, of Coogee, has been a regular visitor to Woodside's delivery room during the past two decades, having eight of her nine children at the hospital.

Her eldest child, Nunzio, is 23, and the youngest, Andre, is just two weeks.

Carol has earned her supermum tag not only for defying the trend of smaller families but also for the unshakably positive attitude she shows toward her children.

She married her husband Silvio when she was 15 and decided to have a big family.

"I've made every sacrifice there is to make for them — I've never been to a restaurant and I can't remember ever having even been to a movie.

"But it has all been 100 per cent worth it. I get everything from my kids — they are my life."

Carol knows what

she's talking about when she says bringing up children isn't always easy.

There are emotional and financial costs both of which seem to peak during the problem years of adolescence. You have to be a Supermum to go through it with your children nine times, Carol says.

Carol said she quickly learned that to be a mum she had to also become a psychologist, a teacher, a nurse, a career guidance officer and anything else her children needed her to be.

She counts herself lucky that all her kids have a bedroom of their own and that her husband, a painter, is just as enthusiastic about children as she is.

But they have decided that nine is enough.

Anyway, their eldest son has just married and Carol says she wants to save some energy for when she becomes a grandmother.

No doubt she'll be more than a normal gran — she'll be a Supergran.

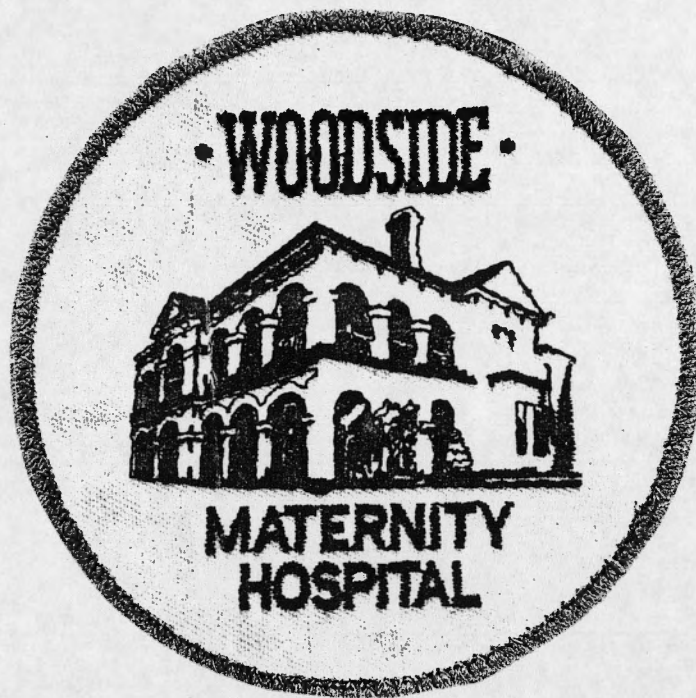


● Carol and Silvio Ioppolo with their huge Coogee family.

Article on a patient - eight out of 9 babies born at Woodside.







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# "Birthing a Baby"

Sung to the tune of Waltzing Queen  
With apologies to A.B. (Banjo)

Once a busy Midwife, cared for a labouring  
Under the eye of Obstetricians three.

And she sat and she watched and she waited 'till the waters broke,  
Who'll come a-birthing a baby with me?

*Birthing a baby*

*Birthing a baby*

*Who'll come a-birthing a baby with me?*

*Cos we sit and we watch and we wait until the waters break,*

*Who'll come a-birthing a baby with me?*

In rushed the Doctor, yelling for an Amnihook,

Up jumped the Midwife, she grabbed him quickly.

And he howled as she shoved that Doctor from the Labour Room,

You'll not come a-birthing a baby with me!

*Birthing a baby*

*Birthing a baby*

*You'll not come a-birthing a baby with me!*

*And he howled as she shoved that Doctor from the Labour Room,*

*You'll not come a-birthing a baby with me!*

Back came the Doctor, into the Labour Room,

With him Med. Students 1, 2, 3.

And they chatted and they laughed, while the Doctor did a Vee-ee-Ee.

Who'll come a-birthing a baby with me?

*Birthing a baby*

*Birthing a baby*

*Who'll come a-birthing a baby with me?*

*And they chatted and they laughed, while the Doctor did a Vee-ee-Ee.*

*Who'll come a-birthing a baby with me?*

Songs relating  
to nursing &  
midwifery.

Ms Copy - Don't remove  
From Hospital

Let's get her going, he decided arbitrarily,  
Give her a drip of Synto, I Veee.

Get the babe out quickly, then we'll go to tea-ee-ee,  
For I'm due a-golfing, at half past three.

*Birthing a baby*

*Birthing a baby*

*Who'll come a-birthing a baby with me?*

*Get the babe out quickly, then we'll go to tea-ee-ee,*

*For I'm due a-golfing, at half past three.*

Up jumped the Midwife, provoked by their frivolity,  
Out of this Room, and stay out! said She.

What she needs is some time, and she'll deliver naturally,

The Doctor departed, the Mother looked relieved...

*Birthing a baby*

*Birthing a baby*

*Who'll come a-birthing a baby with me?*

*What she needs is some time, and she'll deliver naturally,*

*The Doctor departed, the Mother looked relieved...*

Up came the head, she delivered normally,

We didn't need tech-nol-o-gy!

'Cos we sat and we watched and we waited 'till the waters broke,

Who'll come a-birthing a baby with me?

*Birthing a baby*

*Birthing a baby*

*Who'll come a-birthing a baby with me?*

*'Cos we sat and we watched and we waited 'till the waters broke,*

*Who'll come a-birthing a baby with me?*



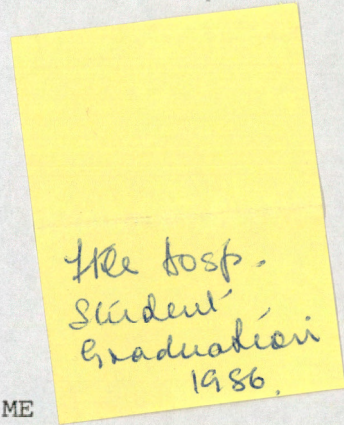
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Fremantle Hospital Student  
Graduation April 1986.



SMILE!

TWENTY LITTLE PLAIN CAPS  
CAME TO FREQ HOSPITAL  
MAY TWENTY THIRD  
NINETEEN EIGHTY THREE  
BUT WE LOST THREE, AND GAINED ONE  
SO NOW WE'RE EIGHTEEN GRADUATES  
WHO'LL COME AND NURSE AT FREMANTLE WITH ME



The hosp.  
Student  
Graduation  
1986.



NURSING AT FREQ! NURSING AT FREQ!  
WHO'LL COME A' NURSING AT FREQ WITH ME?  
BATTLING WITH BEDPANS, BOTTLES BUGS AND BANDAGES  
WHO'LL COME A' NURSING AT FREQ WITH ME?

ARE YOU  
SMILING?

FIRST CAME THE STRESSES  
OF P.T.S. AND STUDYING  
THEN CAME THE CLINICALS  
ONE! TWO! THREE!  
"WHERE'S THAT LITTLE PLAIN CAP?  
I HAVE GOT A JOB FOR HER"

FRONT LINE →  
ONLY

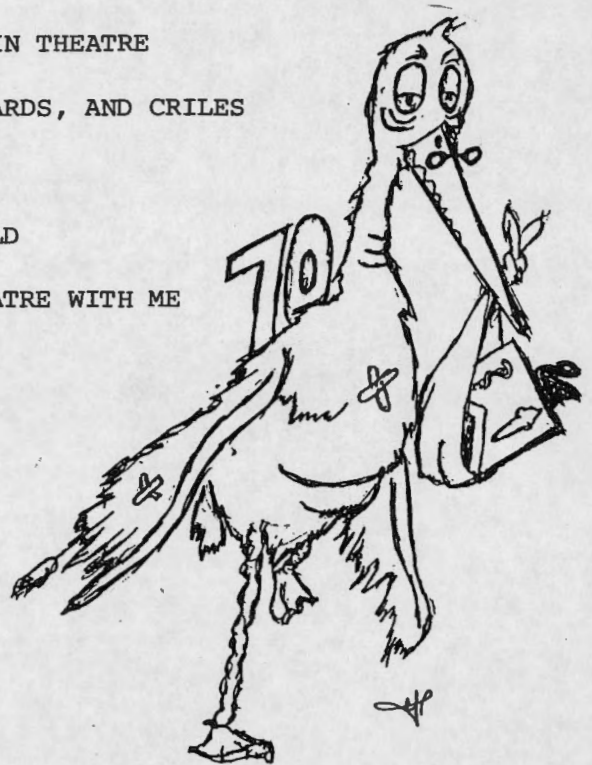
WHO'LL COME AND HIDE  
IN THE PANROOM WITH ME?  
LOOK UP  
CLEANING THE PAN ROOM, CLEANING THE PAN ROOM  
MANY A PAN WAS DENTED IN DESPAIR  
BUT WE WEREN'T DOWN FOR LONG  
NO WE GOT BACK IN AND TRIED AGAIN  
WHO'LL COME A' NURSING AT FREQ WITH ME?

MANY A GREY HAIR  
WE HAVE CAUSED IN THEATRE  
TOO MANY RULES  
OF ASEPSIS TO KEEP  
HOW MANY TIMES DID THE  
SURGEON HAVE TO  
CHANGE HIS GLOVES  
WHO'LL COME AND GOWN, GLOVE AND MASK WITH ME

SCRUBBING IN THEATRE, SCRUBBING IN THEATRE  
PASS ME THE LAHEY DABS, DURHAM BARDS, AND CRILES  
ITS ALRIGHT TO FAINT  
JUST FALL OUT OF THE STERILE FIELD  
WHO'LL COME AND SCRUB IN THE THEATRE WITH ME

FOUR WEEKS AT WOODSIDE  
NURSERY AND LABOUR WARD  
LABOURING WITH MUM  
TIL THE NEW BABY CAME  
UP TO OUR ARMPITS IN  
NAPPIES AND BABY POO  
WHO'LL COME AND CUDDLE THE BABIES WITH ME

CUDDLING THE BABIES, CUDDLING THE BABIES  
FEED THEM AND CHANGE THEM AND BURP THEM ALL DAY  
AT THE END OF THE DAY WE COULD  
HAND THOSE BABIES BACK TO MUM  
WHO'LL COME A'MOTHERING AT WOODSIDE WITH ME





NIGHT DUTY LOOMED  
LITTLE FLORENCE NIGHTINGALES  
CONTINUING TO CARE  
WHILE THE WORLD WAS FAST ASLEEP  
STRANGE SOUNDS AND CREAKINGS  
TIP-TOE WITH MY TORCH IN HAND  
WHO'LL COME AND CREEP ON THE NIGHT ROUND WITH ME

SIX AM TEA ROUND, SIX AM TEA ROUND  
CLATTER CRASH AND BASH THE TROLLEY'S AROUND  
WAKE UP EVERYBODY  
THE DAY IS JUST BEGINNING

TIME FOR THE NIGHT NURSE TO HEAD HOME TO BED

SLOW DOWN

WHEN WE PONDER ON THE  
MANY TRIALS WE'VE COME THROUGH  
WE KNOW WE'RE QUITE SPECIAL

AFTER ALL

WE STAND PROUDLY TODAY

FREMANTLE GRADUATES

WHO'LL COME AND NURSE AT FREMANTLE WITH ME?

LOOK UP

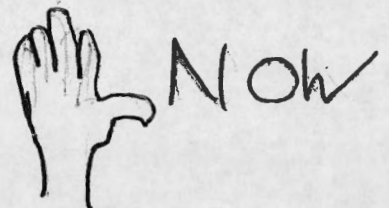
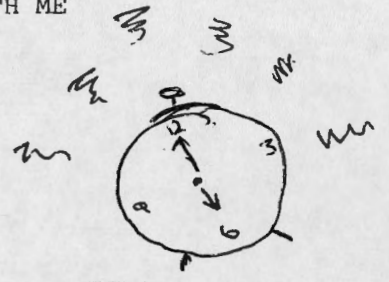
NURSING AT FREO, NURSING AT FREO

WHO'LL COME A 'NURSING AT FREO WITH ME?

WE STAND PROUDLY TODAY

FREMANTLE GRADUATES

WHO'LL COME AND NURSE AT FREMANTLE WITH ME?



The Hosp.  
Students Grad.  
1983  
Midnight Class  
at Woodside

MY WAY

SLOWLY

A PAGE OF LIFE HAS TURNED  
ANOTHER CHAPTER NOW HAS STARTED  
OUR SCHOOL 2/83 SO LONG TOGETHER  
WILL BE PARTED  
BUT FRIENDS WE WILL REMAIN  
OUR LOYALTIES WON'T BE DISCARDED  
OUR GRADUATION DAY  
WE MADE IT - OUR WAY

SLOWLY

AND NOW - THE CHAPTER ENDS  
WE GO OUR WAY  
WITH NEW ENDEAVOUR  
WE LEAVE OUR SCHOOL BEHIND  
BUT OUR MEMORIES ARE FOREVER  
TO THOSE WHO HELPED AND CARED  
FOR US - OUR FAMILIES AND OUR COLLEAGUES  
VIVE - VALEQUE  
FREMANTLE'S OUR WAY.



Congratulations

Thank you \_\_\_\_\_

Good luck

Have a glorious break.

You have done well.



# Easier delivery for home births

by SUE PEACOCK

WOMEN in Fremantle now have a greater choice on where and how they have a baby. And midwives are set to play a major role.

Federal health minister Carmen Lawrence recently announced \$220,000 worth of funding for WA's Alternative Birthing Services Program.

The money will be spent on a midwife-managed birthing service, run through the Fremantle Women's Health Centre (formerly the Multicultural Women's Health Centre).

This means King Edward Hospital in Subiaco is no longer the only option for Fremantle women," said Nambitha Madikiza, the centre's co-ordinator.

"The program will be linked to Woodside Maternity Hospital in East Fremantle, the centre and the community midwives group," she added.

"Priority will be given to low risk pregnancies, to women with special needs and to those who have limited means."

The service will include ante-natal, maternity and post-natal care and will target special needs groups, particularly migrant women and women for whom English is a second language.



• Fremantle Women's Health Centre's co-ordinator Nambitha Madikiza.

The program will be run by community midwives, who will liaise with local doctors, Woodside Hospital and other community health workers and support groups.

For more information on the program, due to start in the new year, phone the centre on 430 4545.

*Another innovation for Woodside.*



## HOW TO HAVE YOUR BABY IN FREMANTLE

by Susanne Silver

To paraphrase the cookbooks - first, catch your man . . . Well, assuming that all those preliminaries have been taken care of, you need to get down to the nitty-gritty and find out what facilities are available for mothers-to-be and mothers-who-are.

This week I'm focussing on facilities before and during childbirth in the Fremantle area.

Ante-natal classes are an important aid. At these lessons you are taught not only how to breathe and relax during labour (and let me tell you, it's something you need to know!), but also you learn series of exercises to strengthen your muscles to support the growing baby's weight.

Well, where to go? Unfortunately, a class that used to run at the Meeting Place in South Fremantle has been discontinued - there's an opening for somebody here - so local ladies have to look further afield to find a class.

The one class that is run in Fremantle is held at the Infant Health Centre in Parry Street, organised by King Edward Memorial Hospital. You should call the hospital for details (380 4444).

Normally physiotherapists run classes at hospitals with a maternity unit, and this is true of Woodside Hospital in Dalgety Street, East Fremantle. Due to lack of room, fathers can't attend the relaxation courses, which is a great pity. However, they are encouraged to come to the parentcraft classes also run at the hospital. These teach aspects of baby care such as feeding, bathing and clothing, as well as basic instruction on how a birth takes place.

What if you're having your baby at home? The nearest classes are run in Shoalwater (Safety Bay) by the Midwifery Contact Centre. Phone Jean Donaldson on 095 272 033 for details. There's a group in Nedlands too, run by Francesca Burke (336 8084), and another in the Bayswater/Victoria Park area by Glorys Bolleter (271 7691).

Naturally, the most important question is - where will the baby be born? The trend in Australia is towards hospital births, and there is still a lot of opposition in the medical field to home deliveries. Nevertheless the choice is yours; you can have a homebirth, or you can do as I did and have your baby in one of the nicest hospitals around - Woodside.

Originally the private dwelling of Fremantle merchant W.D. Moore, Woodside is a gracious old white house with colonnades and balconies, set amid lawns and trees. It looks, and is, an ideal spot for a human being to begin life on earth.

Ladies come from all over the metropolitan area to give birth to their babies.

You can book a bed at Woodside as a private or public patient; the only criterion is whether your doctor will attend the hospital. If not, you can of course look for another doctor who does if you are particularly keen to have your baby there.

It's a well-appointed little place with accommodation in four-bed wards, or single rooms for private patients who are covered by their hospital benefit and at the higher rate.

Within reason the staff are concerned to go along with your wishes about the way you give birth there - you won't find an implacable 'hospital system'. As the Matron says, it's a mother's right to choose how her baby is born.

Woodside is fully equipped with operating theatres for caesarian births, but is essentially a hospital for straightforward confinements. If the mother or baby is sick and needs specialised care, they are transferred to King Edward's or Princess Margaret Hos-



Here's what all the fuss is about!

pitals.

Ladies normally stay in Woodside up to seven days - and are encouraged to do so to enjoy a rest before the hard work begins. A physiotherapist conducts post-natal exercise classes, and the hospital does all it can to prepare mothers to care for their babies and themselves at home.

Not everyone wants or needs a hospital delivery, and many would dearly love to give birth to their babies at home, among their family. There's still a lot of prejudice against homebirths, mainly on the part of doctors who fear the risk of something going wrong.

Yet if you are reasonably young, in good health, and have had a trouble-free pregnancy, you are fit to deliver your baby at home.

The homebirth movement centres on the Midwifery Contact Centre at Shoalwater. This was started by midwife Henry Ligtermoet who comes from Holland where homebirths are the norm.

Jean Donaldson is now in charge of the Centre, and can give you all the information you need, as can Diane Shuttlewood in Dianella (448 2494).

Henny has written a book called "Responsible Homebirth" - obtainable from the Centre. In some

ways it gives a view very biased towards homebirth and away from the hospital situation. However, aside from the special pleading, it does give you the full run-down of facts about arranging a responsible homebirth. This is where the mother arranges for a midwife to deliver her baby and provide the necessary before and after care.

Some people, wishing to give birth at home, and finding violent opposition from their doctors, do 'go it alone' and have no medical assistance whatever. This is irresponsible homebirth; it is hazardous in the extreme and may cost the mother's or baby's life.

It is this that has given the homebirth movement a bad name, and this is what the Shoalwater Centre is at pains to overcome.

The current fee for a home delivery is \$280. This covers at least five visits from the midwife before the baby is born, her attendance during labour and delivery and for several hours afterwards, and post-natal visits twice daily for five days and once a day for five more days.

If you are in a health insurance scheme, you need to find out if yours will refund the homebirth fee. Some don't, some will refund part of

the sum.

A lot more responsibility devolves on you, of course. You still need your monthly check-ups by your doctor, who should be sympathetic to the idea of home delivery, and be willing to come to your home if necessary.

You'll also need help in the house after your baby is born; there's no value in missing the rest you'd get in hospital.

The Midwifery Contact Centre will help you find a midwife for your delivery, and give you all the support you need.

There's no doubt that ladies who have used the Centre's services have loved the experience of giving birth at home.

You can build a warm and friendly relationship with your midwife, perhaps more easily than with your doctor, so that the birth of your baby is much more of a celebration among friends. Many ladies who have given birth at home would have it no other way.

But whichever you choose, hospital or homebirth, Fremantle has the facilities close at hand to make your pregnancy and confinement a safe, enjoyable and rewarding experience.

Next week I'll look at support facilities for mothers after their babies are born.



A group of expectant mothers learn muscle-strengthening exercises at ante-natal classes run by Woodside Hospital.



# Midwives delivering homebirth renaissance

Study under way

Reports written by Megan Hill

Homebirth is currently experiencing a renaissance in Western Australia.

Until about 10 years ago it had not been practised in Australia since the late 1920's. For that reason many people - not least of all the medical profession - are fearful and opposed to it, both culturally and ethically.

But not so the people of Fremantle. Woodside Maternity Hospital in East Fremantle is the only hospital in WA to have granted delivery rights to homebirth midwives.

Four of the nine independent midwives currently involved in homebirths in Perth are Fremantle-based.

Family Tree in Palmyra, a community support group for expectant mothers and women who have recently given birth, mainly at home, is the largest organisation of its kind in the metropolitan area.

"Child-bearing women are consumers," says midwife, Vivienne Wall. "They don't have to take what is dished out to them and I think they are beginning to realise that. They have a choice."

Vivienne, of Homelink Midwifery Services in North Fremantle, is one of the four independent midwives currently operating in Fremantle.

She trained as a midwife in Melbourne 11 years ago and for the last two years has practised privately. With partner Dina Butler, Vivienne attends about 50 homebirths each year. Between 30 and 40 per cent of these occur in the Fremantle area.

At Woodside Maternity Hospital where Vivienne worked before branching out on her own, she said the midwives talked a lot about birthing alternatives and how women could be helped to cope with labour using less drugs and less intervention.

"Working as a midwife in a hospital is just so frustrating - you are bound by the system, bound by the doctor's rules," she said.

"I thought there was something better that could be offered so that in return women could have a more positive opinion of birth."

But Vivienne's attempts to set up a birthing centre at Woodside were rejected by the authorities for financial reasons, the result being that Vivienne and fellow midwife, Dina Butler, established Homelink.

"It took a long while to get established," said Vivienne. "It's not the sort of thing you can advertise very well."

"When people are wanting a midwife they don't want ritzy slogans and neon signs. They would prefer to have it by word-of-mouth, especially from a friend."

Vivienne believes society still thinks

## How much do babies cost?

Have you ever stopped to consider how much it costs to have a child? Earlier this year Independent Midwives of WA estimated that the cost of an average, uncomplicated hospital birth was just over \$2000.

For public patients, this may not be an issue. Medicare meets the costs. But there is still a cost for private patients.

Currently, the scheduled fees for a private patient at Woodside Maternity Hospital include:

- \$128/day for a bed in a 4-bed ward.
- \$180/for a single room.
- \$138 for a normal delivery by a general practitioner or an additional \$55 (total \$193) if there are any complications such as forceps or suction delivery, breech or multiple birth.
- \$235 for delivery by an obstetrician.
- \$380 for delivery by caesarean section.
- \$53 anaesthetist fee for an epidural.
- An additional \$30 for each subsequent epidural ("top-up").
- \$73 for an episiotomy or repair of a perineal tear.
- \$87 for the first check of the baby by a paediatrician.
- An additional \$43.50 for each subsequent check.



Proud mother Peta Gore nurses her natural birth baby son, Jarrod Leslie, at Woodside Maternity Hospital.

hospital birth is the 'norm', and that although there has been a revived interest and curiosity in homebirth, she said the change has "been very slow".

"Yes, if you've had a homebirth you get a lot of backlash," said Nicky Campbell, treasurer of Birthplace and founder and coordinator of Family Tree.

While Nicky has had one homebirth and is preparing for her second in February next year, she admits that her

own reaction to homebirth was once very negative.

"I thought it was totally irresponsible. But that's what everybody thinks when they don't know," she said.

She said some couples thought it was illegal to have a baby at home while others had very high and sometimes unrealistic expectations of homebirth.

Nicky said it was important to "bring these people back to earth" by educating them about pregnancy and the alternatives available in childbirth.

"The more understanding people have of what homebirth is all about, the better they will be able to choose the way they would like to give birth," she said.

"But at the moment there is no choice 90 per cent of the time because people are unaware of the alternatives."

Nicky said Birthplace conducted talks at secondary schools and ran regular film and discussion nights to make women more aware of their choices and help them prepare for childbirth.

She said groups of parents and parents-to-be like Family Tree also helped by offering support to each other and informally discussing aspects of birthing and parenting.

Meanwhile, Miss Mary Cameron, Director of Nursing at Woodside Maternity Hospital, "really can't see what all the fuss is about."

Woodside has been actively involved with the homebirth movement in WA since 1982 and enjoys quite a unique relationship with independent midwives in the area.

It is the only hospital in WA that receives homebirth transfers and allows the homebirth midwives to remain in control of the deliveries.

"It's old hat for us really," said Matron Cameron.

Woodside's relationship with independent midwives began six years ago, when a number of homebirth midwives sought permission to be allowed to deliver their clients' babies at the hospital if any complications arose.

Previously when a woman was transferred to Woodside Hospital for safety reasons, her homebirth midwife could only act as a support person. She lost control of the delivery to a doctor and the hospital's nursing staff.

Matron Cameron said it was important that Woodside continued to support independent midwives by acting as a medical back-up and making them feel comfortable about transferring their patients to hospital at the first sign of complications.

She said certain standards had to be laid down but unless there were major complications, her staff did not intervene.

"They have to know we are not going to take over," she said. "We just let them get on with the job."

The number of homebirths has almost trebled in WA in the decade.

According to figures recently released by Health Department WA, the number of homebirths has jumped from 61 in 1980 to 171 in 1986.

Co-ordinator of department's Maternal and Child Health Studies, Mrs Di Moore, compiled the perinatal statistics information provided by independent midwives from around the state.

In 1986 homebirths made up only 0.7 per cent of the total 23,839 births.

This was a significant increase from the 0.3 per cent planned homebirths in 1980.

Mrs Moore said Health Department is currently making epidemiological comparisons of homebirths and hospital births in WA.

She said stage one of the study has been funded by a \$2,000 grant from the Royal Australian Nursing Federation (RANF). It will include an in-depth analysis of more than 1,000 homebirths which occurred in WA from 1981 to 1987.

Data to be analysed in the study will include the number of homebirths transferred to hospital, the reasons for such transfers and the number of ante-natal and post-natal visits given to the women.

It will also survey the individual characteristics of the women choosing homebirth - their age, occupation, number of children and whether these children were born in hospital or at home.

Mrs Moore said the researchers had almost finished gathering the information from homebirth midwives hospital records, an analysis would begin soon.

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Recollections of "Woodside" 28.5.93

We lived at "Woodside" for about a year & left there for ever away home in Sept./May 1922, when I was 11 years old.

I remember it was a long tram journey to & from "Woodside" to Gorton College at the top of High Street in Fremantle. I had to change trams in the centre of that city from the East Fremantle tram to the High Street tram. The whole journey cost 1 penny.

I used to play at Woodside with Laurie Davis and my younger brother Fred. My sister was too young. Laurie Davis was the son of a Fremantle dentist, they lived near "Woodside". Laurie worked in Elder Smith's in the 1930's.

Eating grapes was a great pastime. The vines were protected from birds etc. by wire netting over the top & sides. The grapes could not be protected from small boys who ate them unworried quite regularly.

When one turned into the



driveaway from Balgaty street, there were a lot of Olive trees which our mother disliked intensely as the olives lay about the ground & they made our white canvas (?) shoes very dirty. <sup>Our</sup> ~~My~~ father contacted Italians living in Fremantle & they came with their families & put kerosene under the trees & then shook the trees vigorously. The Italians left happily with olives galore. I think they bottled the olives or made pickles, but I don't really know.

"Woodside" was a long way back from the main road & tram line. One or two paddocks in front were fenced. There were no other houses on the "Woodside" part of the road, but there were houses on the other side. I vaguely remember someone saying there were six acres with "Woodside". There were very good stables & toilets etc. & living quarters at the back for the staff & spaces for carriages etc.

There were also fruit trees nearby. A beautiful fig tree I remember because I broke a limb of it by

swinging on it, and I do not think we were allowed there.

I think upstairs there were many bedrooms, but we were not allowed upstairs. I remember counting the windows from outside, downstairs, and there seemed to be about a dozen.

There was a beautiful ballroom with native spears decorating the walls. It was to the left of the main entrance. It was a beautiful room & I think there was a small room nearby & it may have been for a caretaker or maid.

John would have known more than I, perhaps if he & I had discussed "Woodside" it may have been clearer to me, but we never did. Father drove me to "Woodside" on one of my many visits to W.A. He & I admired the beautiful imported staircase.

I think our mother said it was made in England.

M. E. Cragg  
Bengleton, N.S.W.

## RECOLLECTIONS OF "WOODSIDE"

MY PARENTS WHO WERE SELLING THEIR HOUSE IN TUCKFIELD ST. EAST FREMANTLE TO MOVE TO PERTH, AGREED WITH MY STEP GRANDMOTHER ANNIE MOORE (NEE GALLOP) TO ACT AS CARETAKERS WHILE MRS MOORE PAID A VISIT TO ENGLAND WITH A DAUGHTER ANNE.

OUR FAMILY LIVED AT WOODSIDE FOR 12-18 MONTHS. I WAS 4-5 YEARS OLD IN THIS PERIOD AND MEMORIES ARE ALMOST NIL.

I DO REMEMBER A MOST BEAUTIFUL STAIRCASE BUT UPSTAIRS WAS OUT OF BOUNDS. I VAGUELY RECALL GETTING AS FAR AS A FIRST LANDING BUT DO NOT KNOW IF I WAS CAUGHT.

THE ONLY OTHER MEMORY I HAVE IS MY MOTHER (BORN TO FARMING PARENTS ON THE MIDDLE SWAN) TAKING ME OUTSIDE TO EAT LITTLE BLACK BERRIES. MY MOTHER WHO ALWAYS SPOKE SO HIGHLY OF THE ABORIGINES, HAD NO DOUBT BEEN TAUGHT TO EAT THEM BY THE ABORIGINES OR HER PARENTS. THE SAME SMALL BLACK BERRIES HAVE TURNED UP IN MY GARDEN FROM NOWHERE SO I PRESUME THEY ARE WIDESPREAD THROUGHOUT W.A.

F.H. MOORE 2/6/93.



Freddy Moore:-

14r - 1921

wife - Peg.

ph: 367 2615

Margaret Hammersley - Aunt (married Lord Forrest)

Ethel Hammersley - Mother.

Brother: John

● Eldest sister: Muriel Craigg

Youngest sister: Margaret Clark

2<sup>nd</sup> Wife:- Annie Gallop. (stepmother).

Tony Boulbee - grandchild from Gallop. (well known farmer).

\* 12 children by 1<sup>st</sup> Marriage.

\* 6 children by 2<sup>nd</sup> Marriage.

● Vestree at St John's church, moved in 1922 to Perth.

↗  
Father.

Do you recognize these people?  
What were they doing?  
When were they doing it?

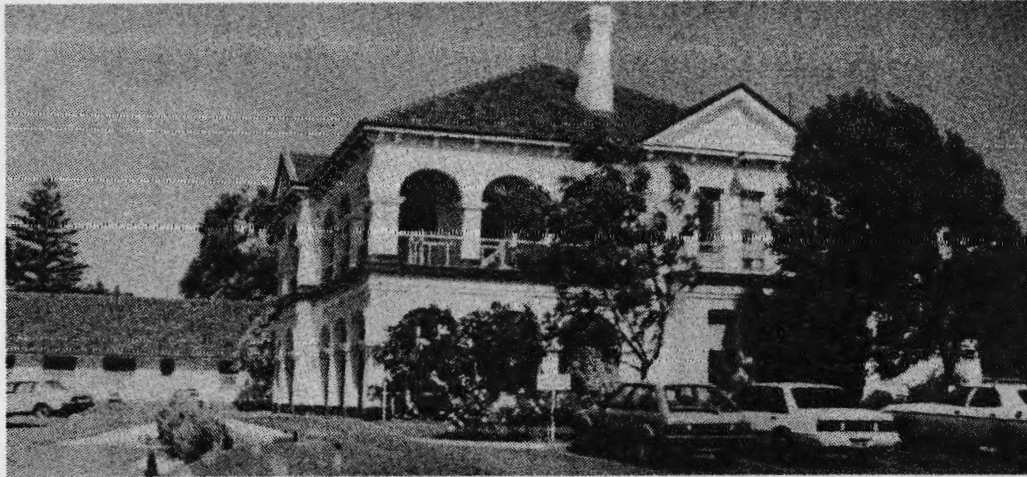


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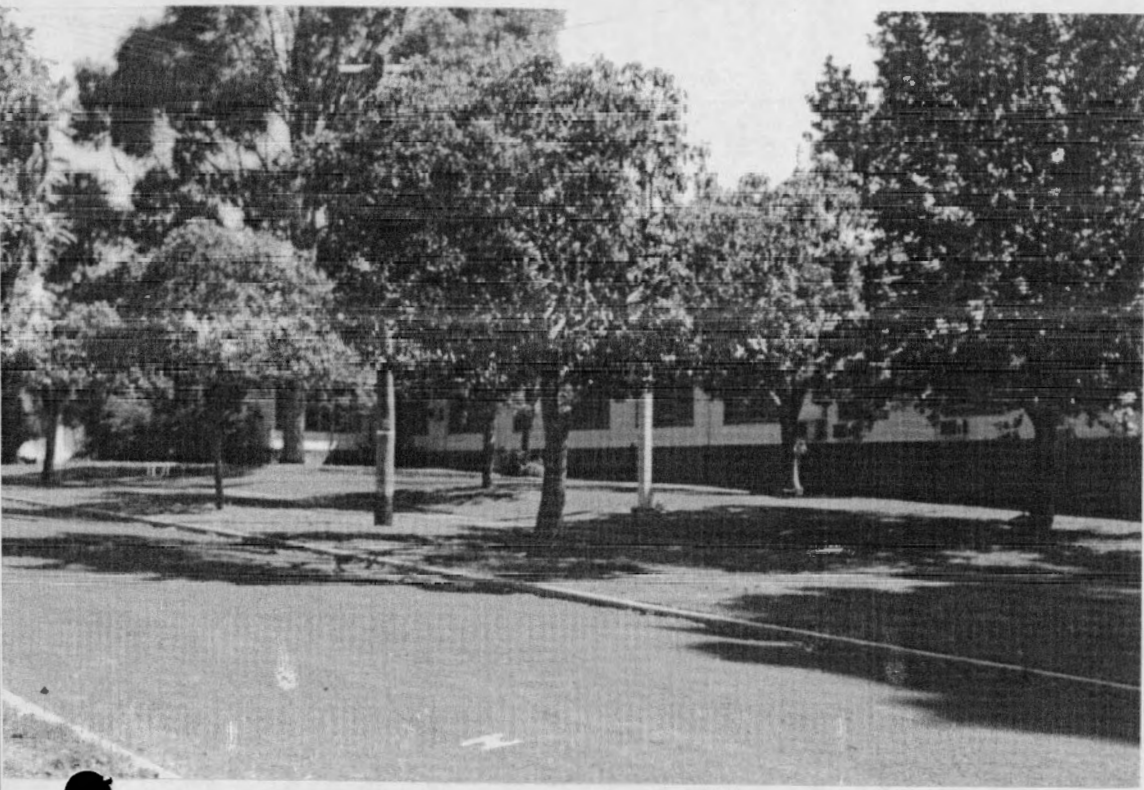
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Another view of staircase - staff on stairs

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more info on  
staircase

Wooden staircase in foyer of Woodside Hosp.  
Original balustrade. Staff members on stairs

See matching photo

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Winners of the Staff Raffle Jan 1995.  
Marla van der Sars.

Mrs. Nancy Cameron + "Happy" T looking on.



Fund Raising "Jill" 1996.

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Dr. Hilda Tinsbell

Evelyn Paine

Opening Anti-Cancer Clinic - Aug 97.

Stembridge Hospital Ladies  
Auxiliary Members

raised money for the clinic



James Quix. free.

Donald Murray to Donald's room who

→ Joe - holds Claire.

↓ record Linnaea's track.





Opening of Anténatal Clinic

Mary Cameron & Auxiliary Ladies with Dr. H. Turnbull M.R.A.

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Ladies names.

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Plus - Gordon Platt - Oct 5 - 2011.  
Via Telephone.



Some of the guests at the opening of the Duke natal Clinic

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Opening of Anuké-hakál Clinic

Peter Home CEO & Dr. Nela Turnbull M.L.A.

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Opening of Auntie Kate's Clinic  
Dr. Heidi Turnbull M.L.A. + Dr. Himmis.

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# RoSTAR ROLLS ON

A COMPUTERISED staff rostering system, called RoStar, is currently being implemented on campus at Fremantle Hospital.

The system is designed to generate or create rosters to assist managers in the allocation of staff assigned to their areas.

Roster requests can be entered into RoStar by individual staff members which can be approved or denied by a manager.

All leave is entered into Lattice which is then fed into RoStar and utilised in the roster generation process.

All types of rosters can be catered - fixed, rotational and shiftwork.

When RoStar is fully implemented an electronic link will exist between RoStar and Lattice which will enable payment to be made to all employees who are on the system.



*Pictured (left to right) are Marian Patman, Dr David Nelson, Elizabeth Balasi and her daughter, Dorothy Ihle and Mary Cameron.*

## WOODSIDE'S NEW ANTE-NATAL CLINIC

Woodside Maternity Hospital in East Fremantle, has introduced special ante-natal clinics thanks to a major donation from our Ladies' Auxiliary.

The Ladies' Auxiliary has donated \$45,000 to allow the fitting out of a special area at Woodside to conduct the new clinics which will be serviced through a roster of eight local GP's linking with the Hospital's midwife Marian Patman to provide expert shared care.

The clinics are for women with low risk pregnancy and they can self refer.

The clinic will also introduce women to ante-natal classes and education, and a range of counselling programmes.

"The new service will add to the special feeling that Woodside is a community-oriented Hospital," said Woodside Maternity Hospital's Nurse Administrator Mary Cameron.

Records show that about 400 women each year who live in close proximity to Woodside have their babies north of the river.

The new ante-natal clinic is expected to provide a service that will attract more public patients to use Woodside's facilities.

## WOODSIDE SEND-OFF FOR EILEEN

WOODSIDE Maternity Hospital experienced the Wake of the Century earlier this month when the Hospital farewelled Eileen Alaimo.

Eileen worked at Woodside for a quarter of a century from 1968-1971 and then from 1975 until 1997.

After all those years working in a maternity Hospital, Eileen has chosen a new leisurely career - babysitting.

Past staff, doctors and family friends were at the function and a presentation was made to Eileen.

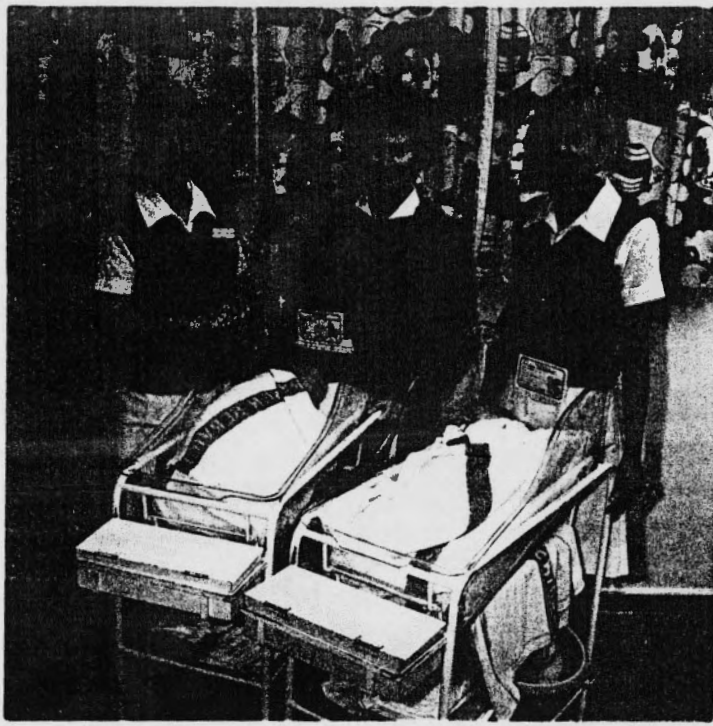
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Auntie Sarah's clinic July 1957.



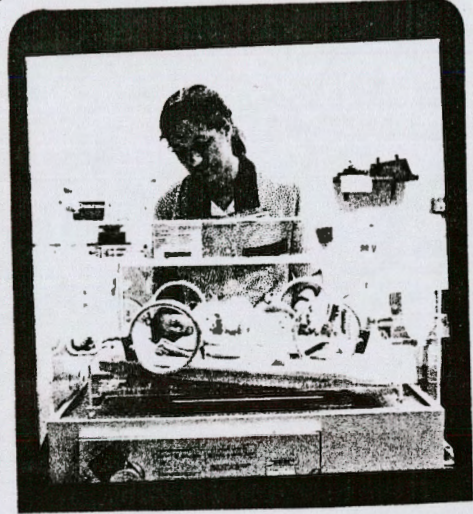


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## DOCTOR EXCHANGE

AN exchange partnership has been forged with Whangarei Hospital in the north of New Zealand. In February 2000 the first three-month exchanges of registered medical officers will occur. Four doctors who have been selected for 2000 are **Dr Sharyn Bennier**, **Dr Nikki Panotidis**, **Dr Graeme Johnson** and **Dr Victoria Westoby**.

## EXAM SUCCESSES

CONGRATULATIONS **Dr Philip Tuch** and **Dr Paul Fortun** on their success in the final of the FRACP exam. A former member of Fremantle Hospital staff, **Dr Sean Maher** was also successful in this exam.

## Greening Woodside

Woodside Maternity Hospital's midwife **Thea Wright** is now Waste Management rep for Woodside. She runs the reduce, reuse and recycle programme on site and is also the resource contact for waste management at Woodside. Thea works closely with waste management coordinator **Jo Fitzgerald** and both were recently involved with the pruning of a heritage listed olive tree on the Hospital grounds.



Pictured (left to right): **Sue Robinson** (from Fort Plan), **Mary Cameron**, **Jenny Neville**, **Jo Fitzgerald** around the heritage listed olive tree.



## They're driven by compassion

**TRANSPORT Manager Gordon Stotten** describes his faithful team of 17 volunteer drivers as a special band of people.

"They give their time and compassion willingly and without question," he said.

The volunteers drive patients as far afield as Northam, Harvey, Esperance and Lake Grace and all over the metropolitan area.

Recently **Len Maton**, an ex-ambulance driver, who is well respected and admired by the patients and his team mates, hung up his keys after nine years as a volunteer driver.

"He has an ability to communicate with everybody, especially the elderly, and his medical knowledge is a bonus," Gordon said.

The team spirit of the drivers was never more noticeable than when Gordon called them all in to bade farewell to Len - afternoon tea plates came from everywhere.

"They rallied together just as they always do," Gordon said.

**Hugo de Marchi** says he volunteers because he just cannot sit around home twiddling his thumbs since his redundancy.

Hugo has strong connections to the Hospital - his wife worked here for 16 years - and he loves the job.

"If you do something good for somebody you do feel good about yourself," Hugo said.

Like Len, most of the volunteers work one day

*ABOVE: Volunteer drivers have notched up many years' service. From left to right; Fred Johnson (two years), Peter Redwood (12 years), Gwen Nairn (12 years), retired driver Len Maton (nine years), Jim McConnel (front), (the rookie! -three months), Renal Unit driver Dave Handy (nine months), Henry 'Snowy' Genev (six months) and Bob Green (12 years).*

*BELOW: Volunteer driver Len Maton hands in his keys to Transport and Security Officer Brad McKell.*



a week. Some have only been on the books a few months and others for as many as 17 years.

"The patients are thankful for the service being provided and when they learn you are a volunteer they seem even more appreciative," Hugo said.

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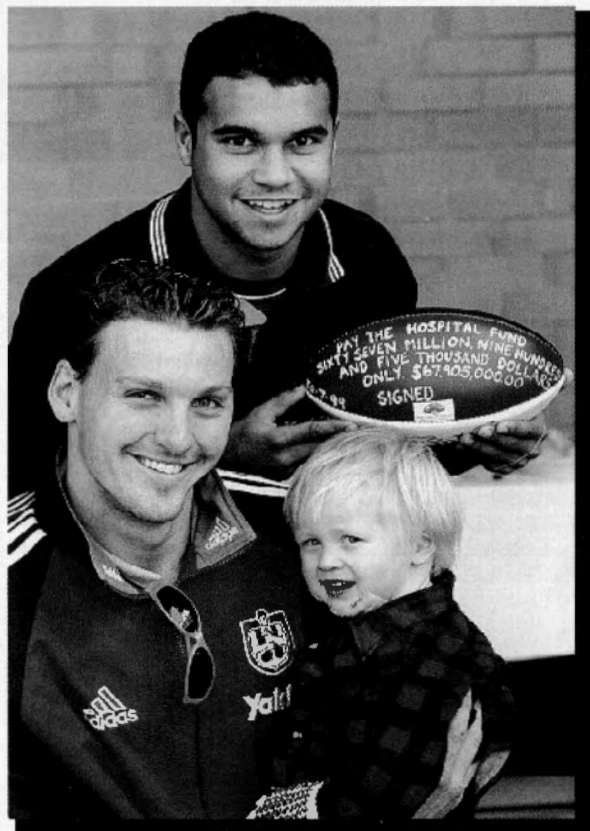
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# *Thank You* WESTERN AUSTRALIA



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Earlier this year, on behalf of WA's lotteries players, Fremantle Dockers Daniel Bandy and Garth Taylor presented a cheque with a difference. Record sales of Lotto, Scratch'n'Win, Cash 3 and Soccer Pools have meant that Lotteries funding for hospitals is at an all time high of \$67.9 million.

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from Lotteries funding,  
'Thank you'  
to all our players.***



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# New heritage listing born

**WOODSIDE** Maternity Hospital in East Fremantle has been permanently entered in the State Register of Heritage Places by the Heritage Council of WA.

An imposing federation free-classical style house, it was originally a two storey residence built for W D Moore, the founder of W D Moore and Co and Fremantle's first Chamber of Commerce chairman.

It was set on 55ha of land.

The property was subdivided after Moore's death in 1901, although the family continued to live in Woodside until it was first used as a hospital in 1924.

It changed hands on numerous occasions before the state government bought it in 1951 and converted it to a public maternity hospital.

Heritage Council Director Ian Baxter said the hospital had a tradition of providing an innovative service, designed to suit the needs of the local community.

"This enables the people to feel involved in the hospital," he said.

"They have a sense of ownership, which makes it a special place far beyond that a regional maternity hospital."

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