

Report on Tourism Lookouts 2014



Overview

Scenic lookouts are a popular attraction for visitors throughout towns and locations within the City of Karratha. They range in accessibility and amenity with some being established many years ago by various community groups and others which are less formal and have developed over time by regular usage by sightseers. There is no specific program within the City of Karratha that addresses issues of maintenance or development of Tourism lookouts holistically. Significant work has been carried out during 2013 - 2014 on a major signage upgrade to the Yaburara Heritage Trail in consultation with Ngarluma Elders and Yaburara Heritage Trail Advisory Group with further enhancements to trail safety scheduled during the 2014/15 FY.

Additionally Council has developed the Tracks and Trails Master Plan 2013 in collaboration with the National Trust and extensive community consultation which provides details of existing trails and potential new trails with a recommended action plan. Some of these trails are linked with lookouts hence have some application for consideration. Community Services are also progressing signage improvements for Cossack which also has implications as two lookouts are located in that area.

This report presents detail on the main tourism lookouts across all the towns within the City of Karratha with recommendations for improvement subject to Council's approval. Only internal consultation has occurred at this stage.

Detailed Audit of Lookouts

1. Water Tanks, Karratha

1.1 Location – Located on the Karratha hills adjacent to the Karratha Water Tanks overlooking the Dampier Hwy – Sharp Avenue intersection.



Fig 1. Water Tank Lookout, Karratha

1.2 Access – Access is off De Witt Road, Karratha via the car park of the Karratha Visitor Centre leading via a gravel WaterCorp Road to the top of the hill where there is a moderately sized car park area. The road was in reasonable condition as at August 2014 and can be accessed by non-4WD vehicles however the road can be prone to severe deterioration especially after a major rain event associated with cyclonic activity in the region. The access road is owned by Water Corp, however the City of Karratha maintain grading of the road.

1.3 Tenure – Lot 3923 Karratha Road (Now De Witt Road) - Water Corporation.



Fig 2. Shade structures and tables in good condition.

1.4 Facilities – There are two shade structures with inbuilt picnic tables and benches which were recently upgraded as part of the Yaburara Heritage Trail remedial works. These works included replacement of planking, coating with anti-graffiti paint and painting of concrete bases. Additionally a regular bin service has been introduced in 2014 plus programmed litter picking.

These facilities provide a high level of amenity for a great viewing point out across the Karratha CBD and out to Nickol Bay and the Burrup Peninsula. No lighting, toilets, water or emergency phone provision are provided.

At time of inspection (August 2014) there was no evidence of graffiti or litter on the site.

1.5 Signage – There is a WaterCorp sign at the commencement of the access road adjacent to the Karratha Visitor Centre Car Park. The sign wordage is contradictory as it is seeming encouraging visitors to access the car park but then warns that the track is for Water Corporation usage only. A Council sign is bolted to the bottom right of the posts advising of no camping etc. No other interpretive signage is in the vicinity except for the new Yaburara Heritage Trail signage at the south western corner of the site adjacent to the telecommunications tower which is Lot 3879 (Australia Telecommunications Commission)



Fig 3. Water Corp signage at beginning of access road.



Fig 4. Sloping ground at car parking area. Start of Yaburara Heritage Trail in background.



Fig 5. Some slight undermining of slab on western edge. Uneven parking area. Various boulders placed along cliff edge.

1.6 Stakeholders and responsibilities

1.6.1 Water Corp – access road and signage, tanks and fencing around tanks

1.6.2 City of Karratha – shade structures, no camping signage, rubbish collection, weed control, litter picking.

1.8 Strengths

This site is a premium viewing area across the Karratha City Centre which avails views through to Nickol Bay and the Burrup Peninsula. It has convenient access via the Karratha Visitor Centre car park. It has reasonable amenity with two sets of picnic tables with shade and a rubbish bin service.

1.9 Weaknesses

Access is via the Water Corp access road to the Karratha Water Tanks. The road is unsealed and subject to significant deterioration after significant rain events impacting on access. Access can be limited if Water Corp undertakes maintenance activities on the Water Tanks. As shown in Figure 2. on the Water Corp signage, the messaging states that access is for Water Corp usage only with the warning “use at own risk” which is contradictory to current practice.

1.10 Threats/Risks

Safety issues as the cliff face is only protected by a few intermittent boulders placed along the edge (See Fig 4 and Fig 7). Consultation required with Water Corp re long term access. Land tenure issues relating to the Yaburara Heritage Trail.

1.11 Opportunities

Improvements to the site could include:

- i) Installation of interpretative signage
- ii) Placing of boulders along the cliff face to improve safety
- iii) Levelling the site
- iv) Bituminising the parking area with some defined car parking area/bays
- v) Improve condition of access road
- vi) Partner with Water Corp to implement improvements

1.12 Priority – High - given the site’s close proximity to the Karratha Visitor Center and Karratha CBD, ease of access and wonderful views it is recommended that this is a high priority.

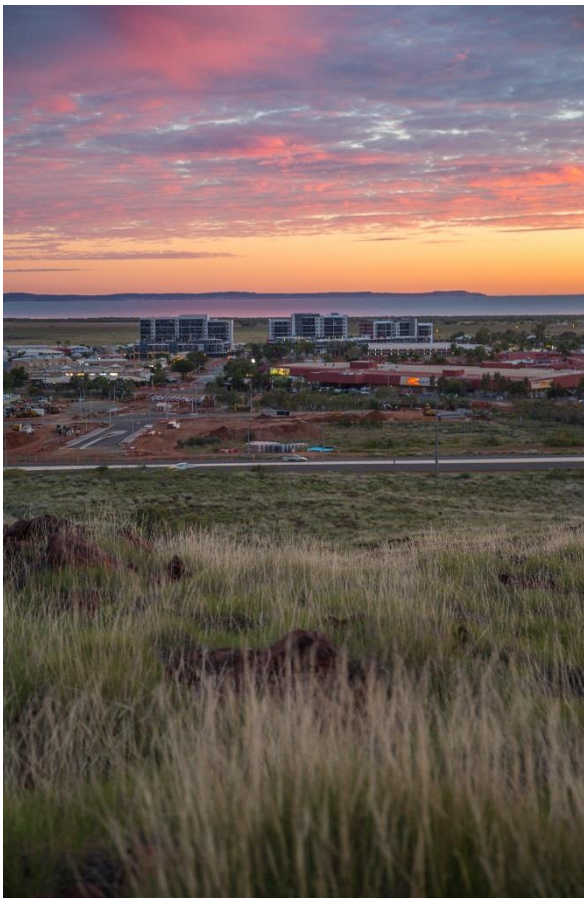


Fig 6. View from Karratha Hills across Karratha CBD

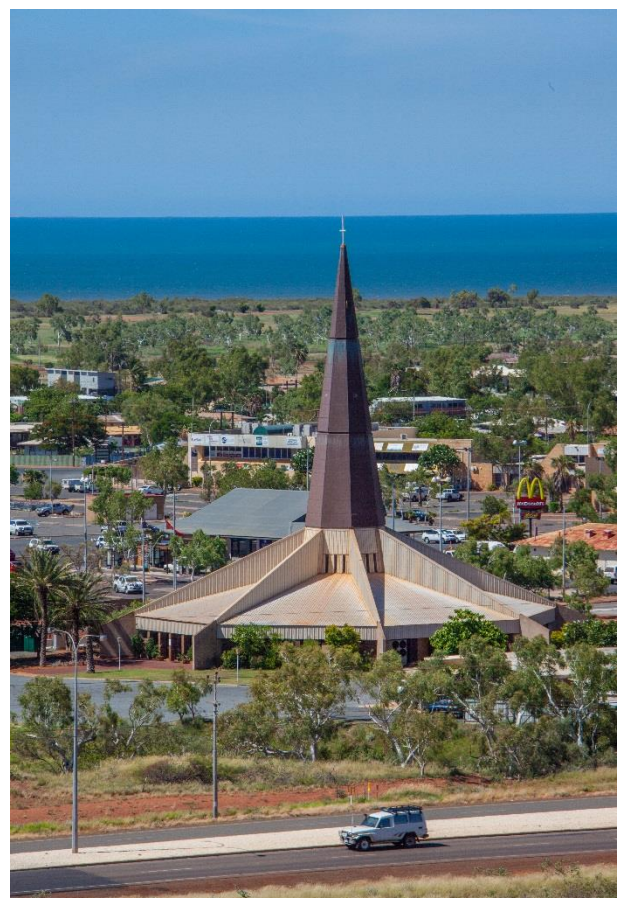


Fig 7. View over St Luke's Catholic Church to Nickol Bay

2. Salt Shaker Lookout, Karratha



Fig 8. Views from Salt Shaker Lookout

2.1 Location – Located on the Yaburara Heritage Trail in the Karratha hills overlooking the Dampier Hwy – Sharp Avenue intersection.

2.2 Access – Accessible via the Yaburara Heritage Trail from the Rotary Lookout adjacent to the Karratha Water Tanks. Access is via a rocky track with some steep sections which would be unsuitable to traverse for elderly, physically challenged and small children.

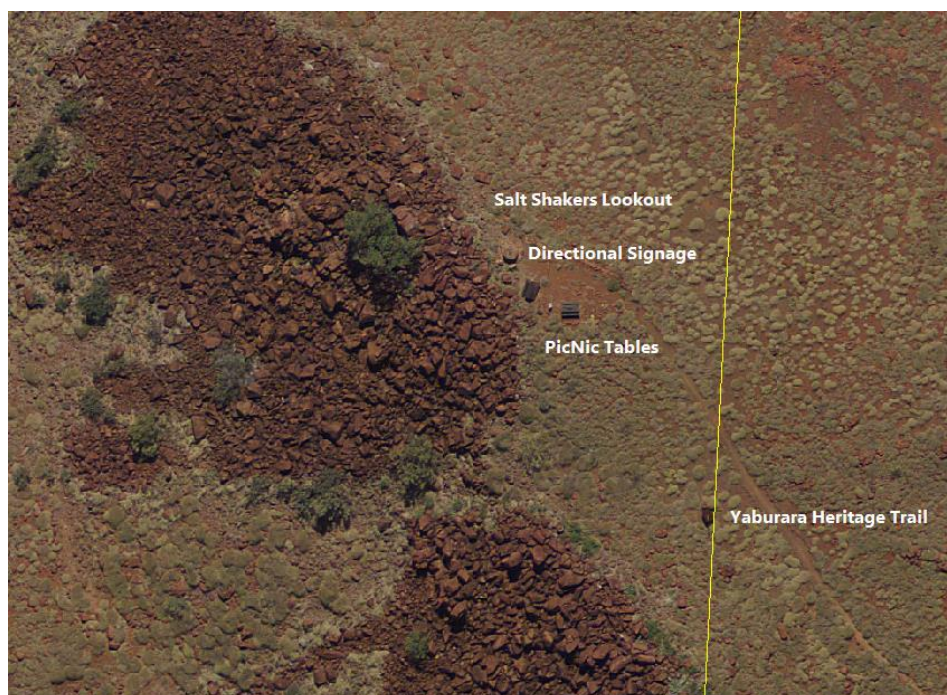


Fig 9. Aerial view of Salt Shaker Lookout

2.3 Tenure – State of WA, Lot 501, Stove Hill Karratha. Unallocated Crown Land.

2.4 Facilities – two picnic tables which were recently upgraded with new timber work as part of the Yaburara Heritage Trail Remedial Works project. No shade structures, rubbish bins, lighting, water or emergency phone provision.

2.5 Signage – A horizontal plinth embossed with directional information to points of interest and new Yaburara Heritage Trail signage installed nearby.



Fig 10. Horizontal Directional Signage Plinth at Salt Shaker Lookout

2.6 Stakeholders and responsibilities

City of Karratha - Current remedial and protective works on the Yaburara Heritage Trail by Community Services with support from the Yaburara Heritage Trail Advisory Group and Ngarluma Aboriginal Corporation.

2.7 Strengths

- Excellent vantage point with views down Sharp Avenue to City centre plus Nickol Bay and Burrup Peninsula.
- Trail leading to lookout is to be provided with three rock steps and track to be raked.

2.8 Weaknesses

- Lack of amenity. Expensive of installation due to remote access and rocky terrain. Hard to access for installation of new infrastructure or to service site for rubbish, maintenance etc

2.9 Threats/Risks

- Difficult to access to tend to emergencies etc
- Rocky terrain could lead to injuries

2.10 Opportunities

- 2.9.1 Put in shade structure
- 2.9.2 Improve pathway with steps in steep sections and apply base cover (gravel/soil) over rocky sections

2.11 Priority – low given its recent upgrade via the Yaburara Heritage Trail remedial works and high cost of additional infrastructure this is considered a low priority.

3. Rotary Lookout, Karratha

3.1 Location – Located on the Yaburara Heritage Trail in the Karratha hills overlooking the intersection of Dampier Highway and Galbraith Roads.

3.2 Access – via Yaburara Heritage Trail either from Galbraith Road car park, Karratha Visitor Centre or Karratha Leisureplex entry points

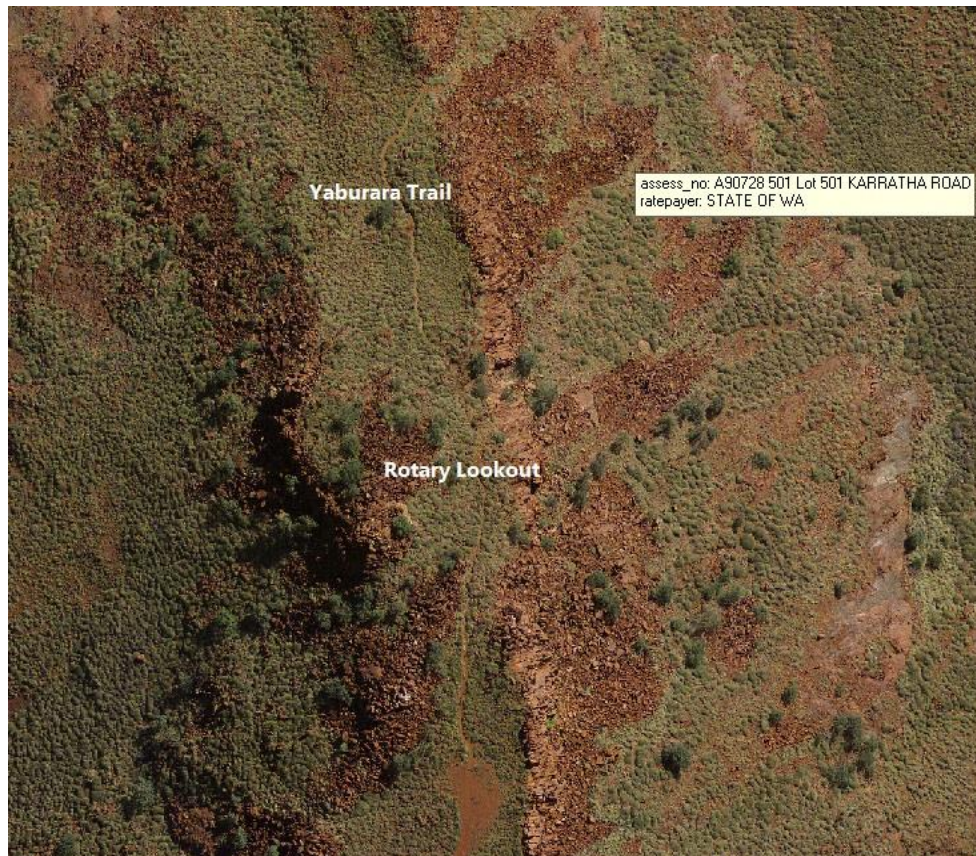


Fig 11. Aerial View Rotary Lookout, Karratha

3.3 Tenure – Lot 501, State of WA – unallocated crown land

3.4 Facilities – no facilities provided

3.5 Stakeholders and responsibilities

3.6 Current remedial and protective works on the Yaburara Heritage Trail by Community Services with support from the Yaburara Heritage Trail Advisory Group and Ngarluma Aboriginal Corporation.

3.7 Strengths

Provides commanding views of the western end of Karratha including Pegs Creek, Millars Well, Nickol and Baynton. This lookout commemorates the role of the Rotary Club of Karratha in the development of this trail. As part of the Yaburara Heritage Trail, this lookout is in close proximity to considerable Aboriginal heritage sites including engravings, quarries, artefact scatters and talu sites. The Trail is officially rated as a Grade 4 walking Trail.

3.8 Signage – Two new Yaburara Heritage Trail Signs installed in 2014



Fig 12. Yaburara Signage vicinity of Rotary Lookout



Fig 13. Yaburara Signage vicinity of Rotary Lookout

3.9 Weaknesses

Requires a reasonable level of fitness and agility to access due to rocky, elevated tracks. No facilities available.

3.10 Threats/Risks

Risks associated with potential injuries associated with access. As mentioned in the Yaburara Heritage Trail Brochure and Map, the trail should only be attempted by those who are reasonably fit and able bodied. There is little seating or shaded area for rest breaks.

3.11 Opportunities

3.11.1 Any shade and seating installation would be a costly exercise due to difficult terrain and lack of vehicle access.

3.12 **Priority- Low** given the high cost of providing additional infrastructure.

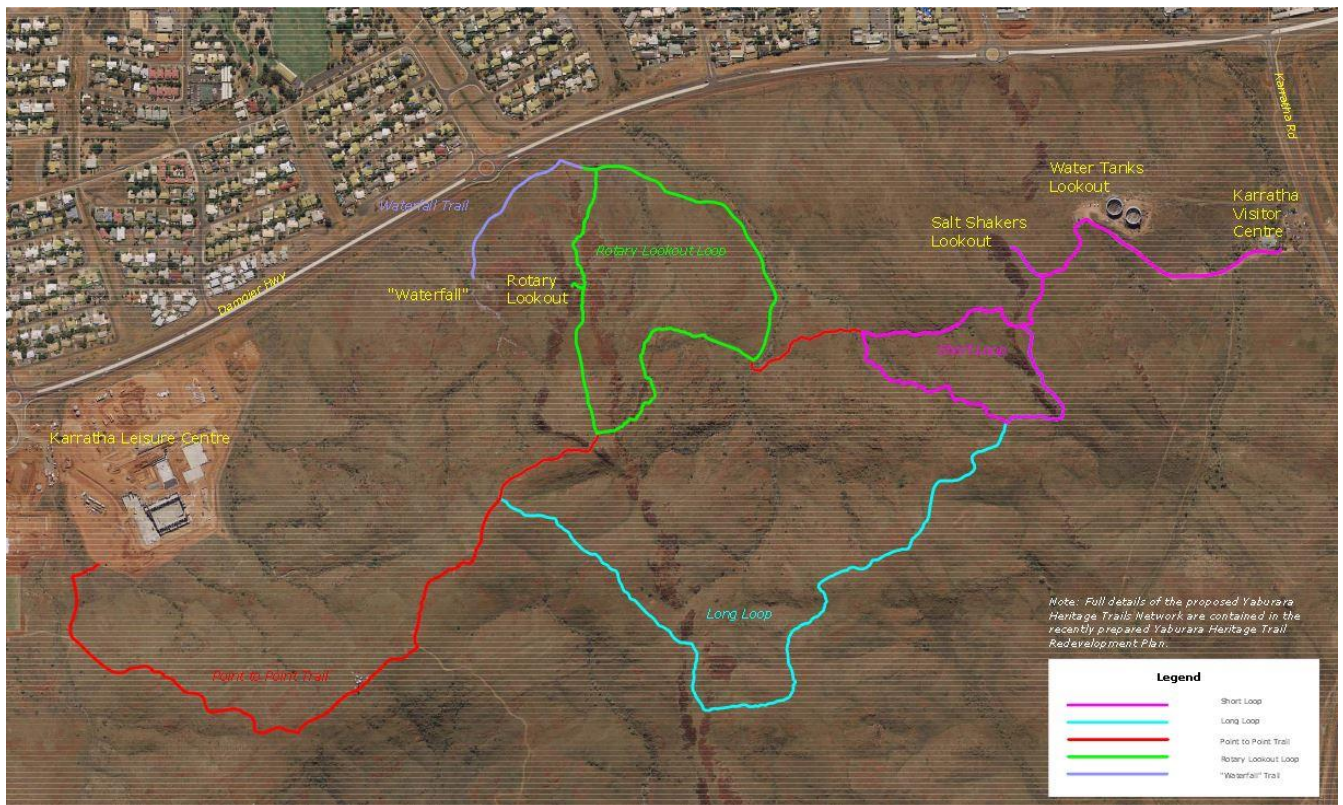


Fig 14. Yaburara Heritage Trail Lookouts – Rotary, Salt Shakers and Water Tanks



4. Radio Hill, Karratha



Fig 15. Aerial View of Radio Hill Lookout.

4.1 Location – Radio Hill, Karratha

4.2 Access – Via View Road off Millstream Road Karratha. The access road is part gravel and part bitumen which is in poor condition. Upper section reverts to gravel.

4.3 Tenure – Lot 1143 Broadcast Australia Pty Ltd , Lot 1094 Regional Power Corporation, access road is State of WA Lot 502 Karratha Road

4.4 Facilities – no seating, shade, lighting or bin service

4.5 Signage – no interpretive signage

4.6 Stakeholders and responsibilities
- See Tenure



Fig 16. Telecommunications towers on Radio Hill

4.7 Strengths – great viewing over Eastern section of Karratha plus views through to Nickol Bay and Burrup Peninsula. Designated lookout with directional signage from Millstream Road.

4.8 Weaknesses - no amenity, poor condition of access road and restricted parking/turning.

4.9 Threats/Risks – very uneven, rocky terrain which could lead to damage to vehicles. Prone to graffiti attack.

4.10 Opportunities –

4.10.1 interpretive signage

4.10.2 shade structures/picnic tables

4.10.3 level site and provide identified parking and turning area (approx. 400m²)

4.10.4 Place boulders along edge of defined areas

4.11 Priority – High given its close proximity to Karratha CBD, excellent views and status as a designated lookout with directional signage already in place.



Fig 17. Radio Hill Lookout, Karratha showing poor parking/turning access and limited bollards



Fig 18. Aerial view of Radio Hill Lookout

5. Water Tank Hill, Dampier Supply Base

5.1 Location – Water Tank Hill, King Bay Supply Base

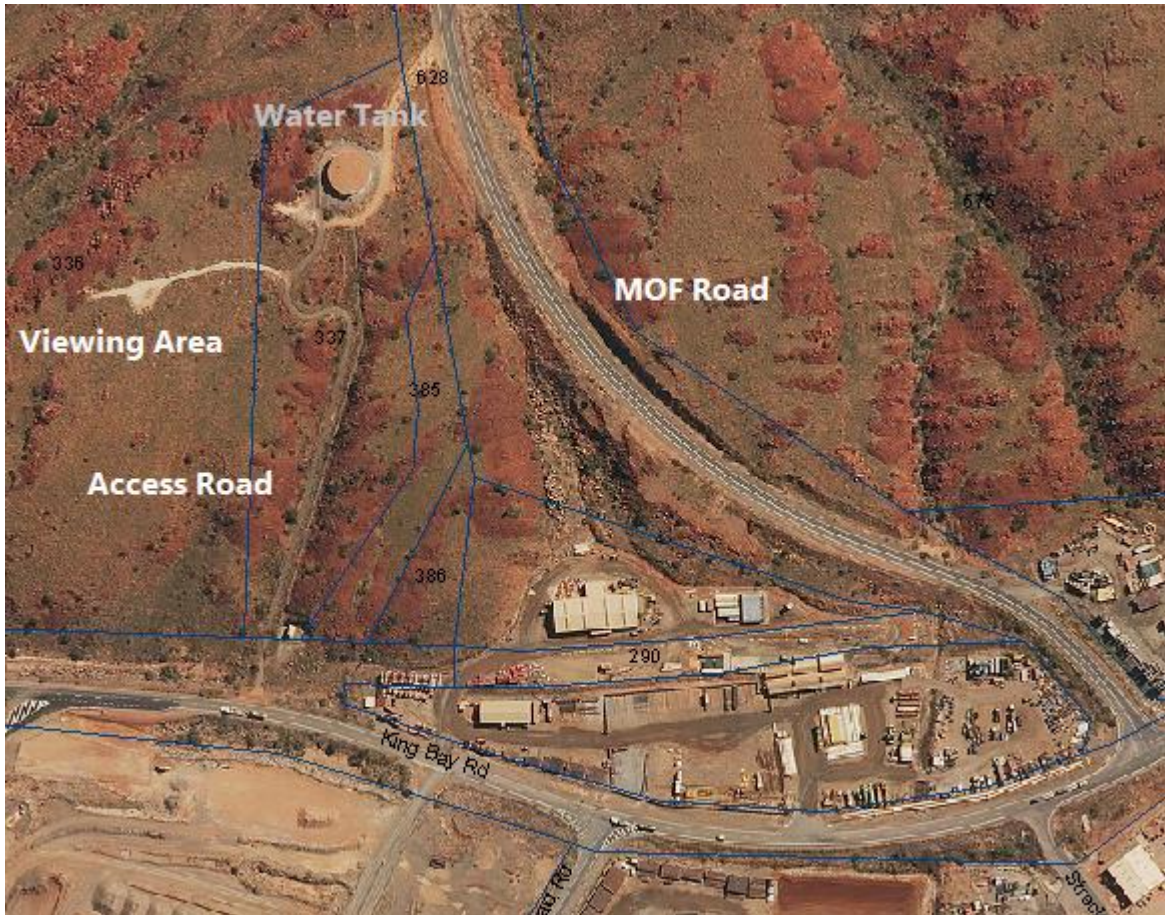


Fig 19. Aerial view of Water Tank Hill, King Bay Supply Base

5.2 Access – Water Tank Access Road off King Bay Road



Fig 20. Water Tank Access Road, King Bay

5.3 Tenure – Lot 337 – Water Corp (Tank), Lot 336 State of WA (lookout area)

5.4 Facilities – no facilities provided

5.5 Signage – no signage

5.6 Stakeholders and responsibilities - Pilbara Ports Authority, Water Corp

5.7 Strengths

Brilliant views over Mermaid Sound through to Hampton Harbour showcasing major industry proponents for iron ore and salt and port facilities, Dampier Supply Base. Reasonable access road.



Fig 21. Views over Mermaid Sound from Water Tank Hill, King Bay Supply Base

5.8 Weaknesses – not a designated lookout – unofficial use only, no directional signage

5.9 Threats/Risks – access road a bit tricky to navigate beyond bitumen section to tank.

5.10 Opportunities –

5.10.1 Installation of Interpretive/directional signage

5.10.2 Improve car parking with defined parking area and turn around area

5.11 Priority – **low** as it is not officially designated, not signposted and requires considerable negotiation with stakeholders



6. William Dampier Lookout, Dampier

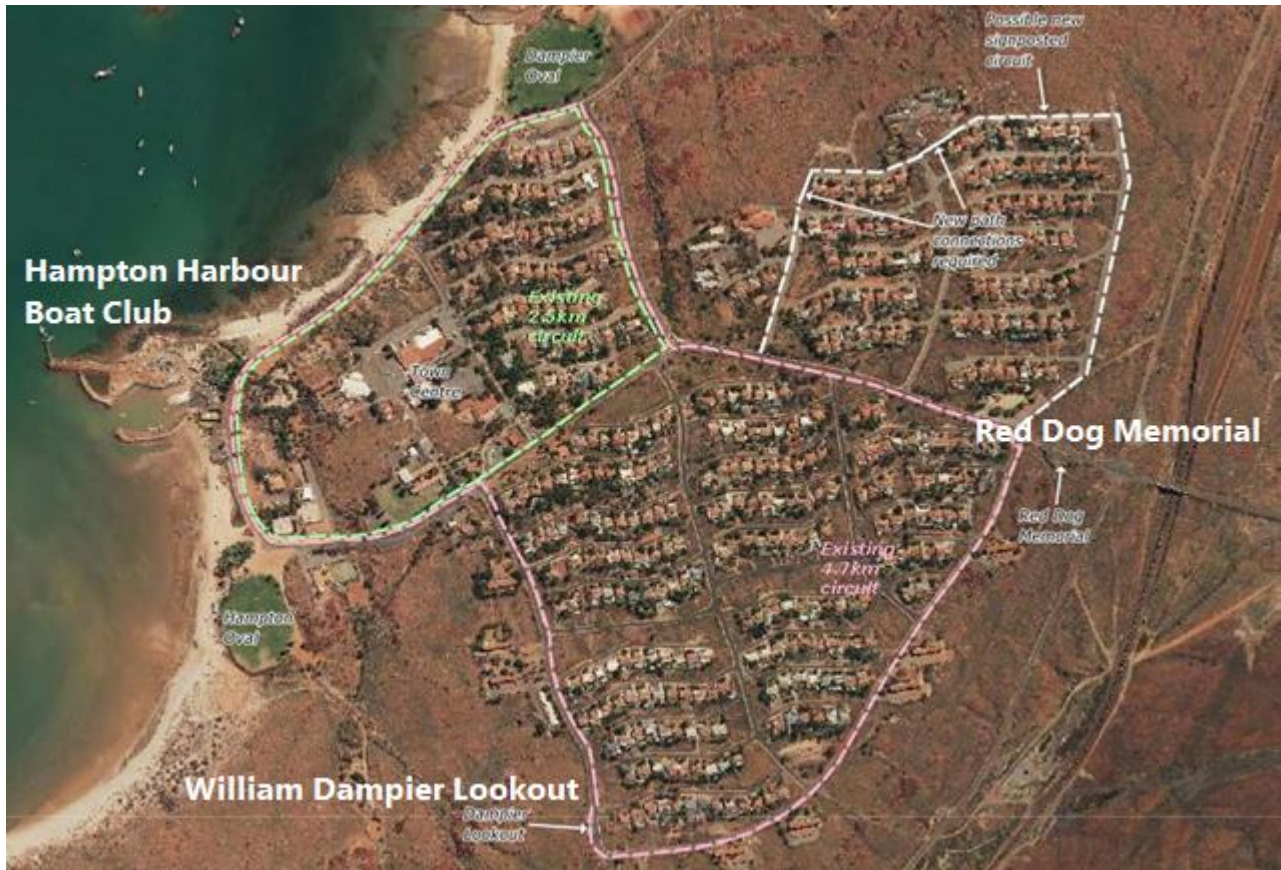


Fig 22. Aerial View of Dampier showing William Dampier Lookout

6.1 Location – Hampton Drive, Dampier

6.2 Access – via Hampton Drive, Dampier

6.3 Tenure – Hampton Drive road reserve

6.4 Facilities – Shade Structures with bench seats, bins, telescope, bitumen car parking area

6.5 Signage – William Dampier interpretive information sign erected as part of the Bi-centennial celebrations and a map of Dampier Archipelago – in poor conditional and barely readable.

6.6 Stakeholders and responsibilities - Rio Tinto, Dampier Community Association, City of Karratha

6.7 Strengths

Well established lookout which is documented on the map of Dampier in local business and community directory. Provides excellent views over Hampton Harbour, Rio Tinto Iron Ore export facilities and the Dampier Archipelago. Has a high level of amenity including free telescope to view sites of interest.

6.8 Weaknesses

Interpretative signage of poor quality

6.9 Threats/Risks

Large installation of signage could interrupt views

6.10 Opportunities

Installation of interpretative signage which could include:

- Historical information re William Dampier, early settlement of Dampier in a more readable format
- Local Indigenous information
- Top things to do in the area
- Referral to visitor information centres
- Potential to work in with proposed town beautification initiatives

6.11 **Priority- High** due to ease of access, status as a designated lookout, significant views



Fig 23. View from the William Dampier Lookout over Hampton Harbour



Fig 24. William Dampier Lookout showing shade structures, telescope, seating, car parking etc

7. Tank Hill Lookout Wickham



Fig 25. View from Water Tank Hill, Wickham

7.1 Location – Tank Hill, Wickham

7.2 Access – accessible via a bitumen road from Walcott Drive, Wickham

7.3 Tenure – Res No 44292- Lot 282 Walcott Drive- management order to Water Corp. Part of car park is UCL.

7.4 Facilities – nil

7.5 Signage – nil

7.6 Stakeholders and responsibilities – Wickham Community Association, Rio Tinto

7.7 Strengths – great views over Wickham

7.8 Weaknesses – lack of amenities

7.9 Threats/Risks – edge of hill lacks protection

7.10 Opportunities

7.10.1 Install interpretive signage

7.10.2 Install bollards or boulders along edge of defined areas (approx. 20)

7.10.3 Erect shade structure/seating

7.10.4 Bituminize carpark/viewing area (approx. 450 m2)

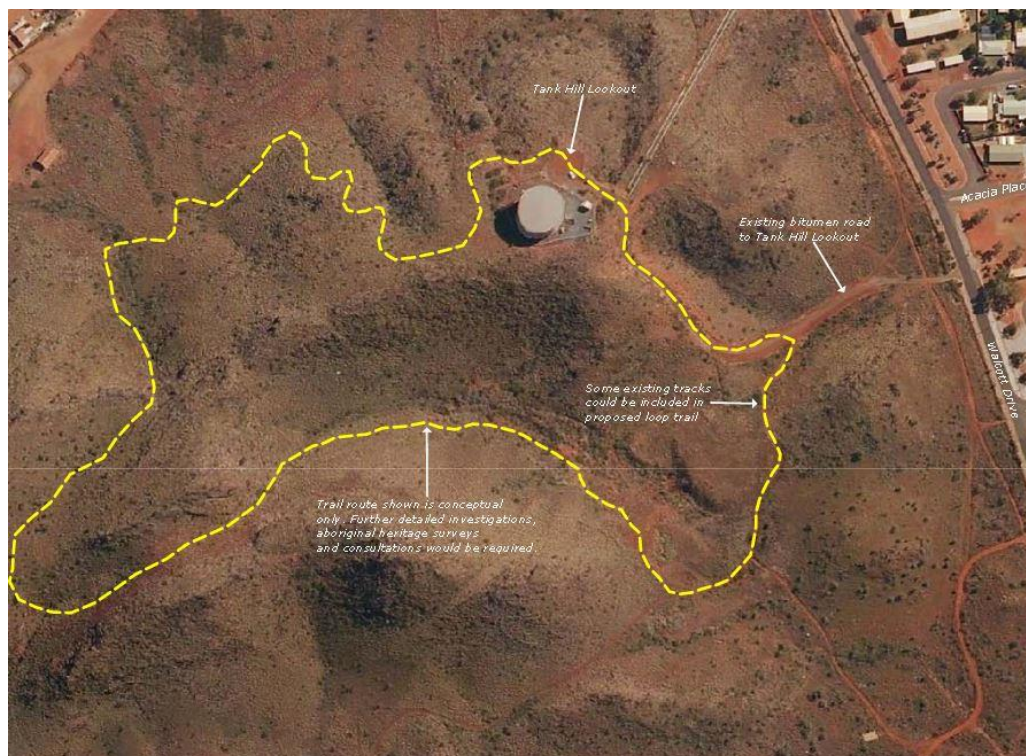


Fig 26. Aerial view of Tank Hill Lookout, Wickham showing conceptual trail route



Fig 27. Tank Hill, Wickham showing car parking/viewing area

7.11 Priority – Medium – could be carried out in conjunction with proposed trails project and/or town beautification initiatives

8. Mt Welcome Lookout, Roebourne



Fig 28. Northerly View from Mt Welcome Lookout

8.1 Location – Mt Welcome, Roebourne

8.2 Access – Via water tank access road

8.3 Tenure – 2 Fisher Dr - Water Corp, 4 Fisher Dr (Lot 560) State of WA, 6 Fisher Dr (Lot 452) & 8 Fisher Dr (Lot 558) Broadcast Australia

8.4 Facilities – two shade structures with seats, bin service

8.5 Signage – multi-lingual signage outlining the history of the Roebourne Township, the indigenous significance of Mt Welcome and places of interest. Facilitated by the Roebourne and Districts Tourist Association via an external grant. Also small Emma Withnell Trail plaque from Bicentennial celebration on rock plinth.

8.6 Stakeholders and responsibilities

8.6.1 Water Corp

8.6.2 City of Karratha

8.6.3 Broadcast Australia

8.6.4 Roebourne Visitor Centre

8.6.5 Roebourne Advisory Group

8.7 Strengths – great 180 degree views across Roebourne and surrounding hinterland, officially designated as a lookout and referred by the Roebourne Visitor Centre

8.8 Weaknesses – weed encroaching on site, rubbish,

8.9 Threats/Risks – no bollards for safety or to define car parking area. Multi user site which may require consultation with other interested parties. The eastern shade structure actually sits astride the boundary of lots 452 and 558.

8.10 Opportunities

8.10.1 New interpretive signage

8.10.2 Needs a cleanup with weed eradication and rubbish tidy up

8.10.3 Installation of boulders along edge of defined areas

8.10.4 Car park grading



Fig 29. Mt Welcome Interpretive signage – needs replacing



Fig 30. Mt Welcome Lookout showing car parking area, shade structure, interpretive signage

8.11 Priority – High as it is a designated lookout referred by the Roebourne Visitor Centre.

9. Tien Tsin Lookout, Cossack



Fig 31. View from Tien Tsin Lookout over Cossack

9.1 Location – Water Tank Hill, Cossack

9.2 Access – via water Tank Hill access road off Perseverance St, Cossack

9.3 Tenure – Lot 500, Cossack road reserve. Access road crosses lots 65, 67, 69 Perseverance St with the latter owned by H. Wilson

9.4 Facilities – no bin service, shade structures, seating, bollards

9.5 Signage – Cossack Heritage Trail signage (See Fig 28 above) plus small Emma Withnell Trail plaque from bicentennial celebration.

9.6 Stakeholders and responsibilities – City of Karratha

9.7 Strengths – great views over historic Cossack Village, Butchers Inlet

9.8 Weaknesses

9.9 Threats/Risks – no safety bollards only old sleepers which are partially buried and serve no useful purpose for safety or defining car parking area.

9.10 Opportunities

9.10.1 Interpretive signage for directions to points of interest

9.10.2 Grading and levelling of site

9.10.3 Access road needs grading

9.10.4 Remove old concrete railway sleepers as they have become disjointed and covered by gravel

9.10.5 Install boulders along edge of defined areas

9.11 Priority – Medium - would be synergistic to upgrade this site in parallel with the Cossack Heritage Trail upgrade as this is one of the associated sites.

10. Reader Head Lookout, Settlers Beach, Cossack

- 10.1 Location** – Readers Head, Cossack
- 10.2 Access** – via Settlers Beach Road
- 10.3 Tenure** – Res. 37314, Lot 440 City of Karratha - recreation
- 10.4 Facilities** – bitumen car park with ample turning circle, bollards and cable barriers installed, shaded gazebo structure,
- 10.5 Signage** – Lions directional plaque located in shade structure although incorrectly labelled as Tien Tsin Lookout.
- 10.6 Stakeholders and responsibilities** – City of Karratha, Lions Club
- 10.7 Strengths** – magnificent views across Settlers Beach to Point Samson, Cape Lambert and a high degree of amenity
- 10.8 Weaknesses** –
- 10.9 Threats/Risks** – none identified
- 10.10 Opportunities** - bollards need straightening and repainting, shade structure needs sand blasting and repainting
- 10.11 Priority** – **Medium** – site is in reasonable condition with a high degree of amenity

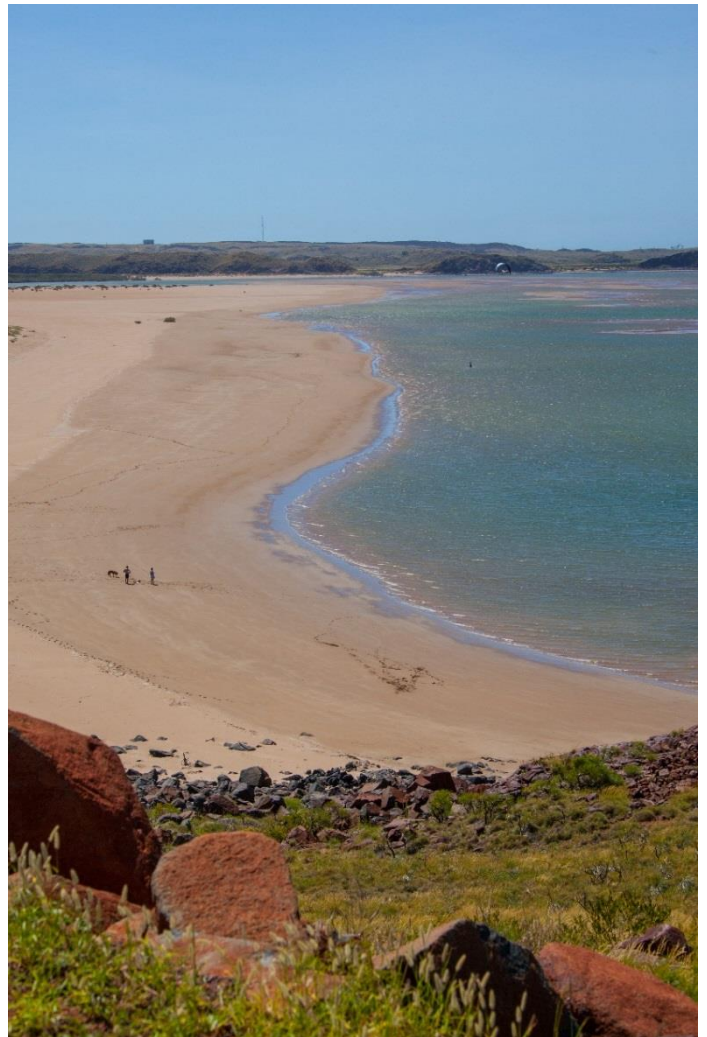


Fig 32. View from Reader Head Lookout over Settlers Beach



Fig 33. Readers Head Lookout, Settlers Beach directional signage



Fig 34. View from Reader's Head Lookout to Jarman Island showing bollard treatment



Fig 35. Reader's Hill Lookout showing shade structure



11. Harding Dam Lookout



1Fig 36. View from Harding Dam Lookout

- 11.1 Location** – Harding Dam
- 11.2 Access** – via Harding Dam Access Road
- 11.3 Tenure** – Water Corp
- 11.4 Facilities** –extensive amenities including restrooms, BBQ areas, shade structures and seating, grassed areas
- 11.5 Signage** – Water Corp interpretive signage
- 11.6 Stakeholders and responsibilities** – Water Corp
- 11.7 Strengths** – great views over Harding Dam
- 11.8 Weaknesses** – access via gravel road, distance from Karratha
- 11.9 Threats/Risks** - none
- 11.10 Opportunities** – install tourism signage directing people to visitor centres
- 11.11 Priority** – nice to have if agreed by Water Corp



Fig 37. Interpretive signage and map, Harding Dam



Fig 38. Harding Dam Lookout

12. Meares Drive Lookout, Wickham



Fig 39. Aerial view of Point Samson showing Meares Drive lookout and proposed Pt Samson Heritage Trail

- 12.1 Location** – Western end of Meares Drive, Point Samson
- 12.2 Access** – via Meares Road
- 12.3 Tenure** – part of parking area is on Lot 197, Tennereff Pty Ltd which is undergoing a DA for a multiple unit development.
- 12.4 Facilities** – none
- 12.5 Signage** – Fisheries signage
- 12.6 Stakeholders and responsibilities** – Pt Samson Community Association
- 12.7 Strengths** – great lookout over Pt Samson reef to Cape Lambert
- 12.8 Weaknesses** – need to consider adjacent development and recommendations of FMP and Heritage Trail.
- 12.9 Threats/Risks** – part of parking area is on Lot 197, Tennereff Pty Ltd which is undergoing a DA for a multiple unit development.

12.10 Opportunities

- 12.10.1 Install interpretive signage
- 12.10.2 Define car parking and turn around area
- 12.10.3 Install bollards
- 12.10.4 Install shade and seating structure

12.11 Priority – Medium - Foreshore Management Plan (FMP) recognizes lookout in the area so it could be synergistic to update in conjunction with works either associated with the FMP or with the proposed Pt Samson Heritage Trail rather than treat in isolation.

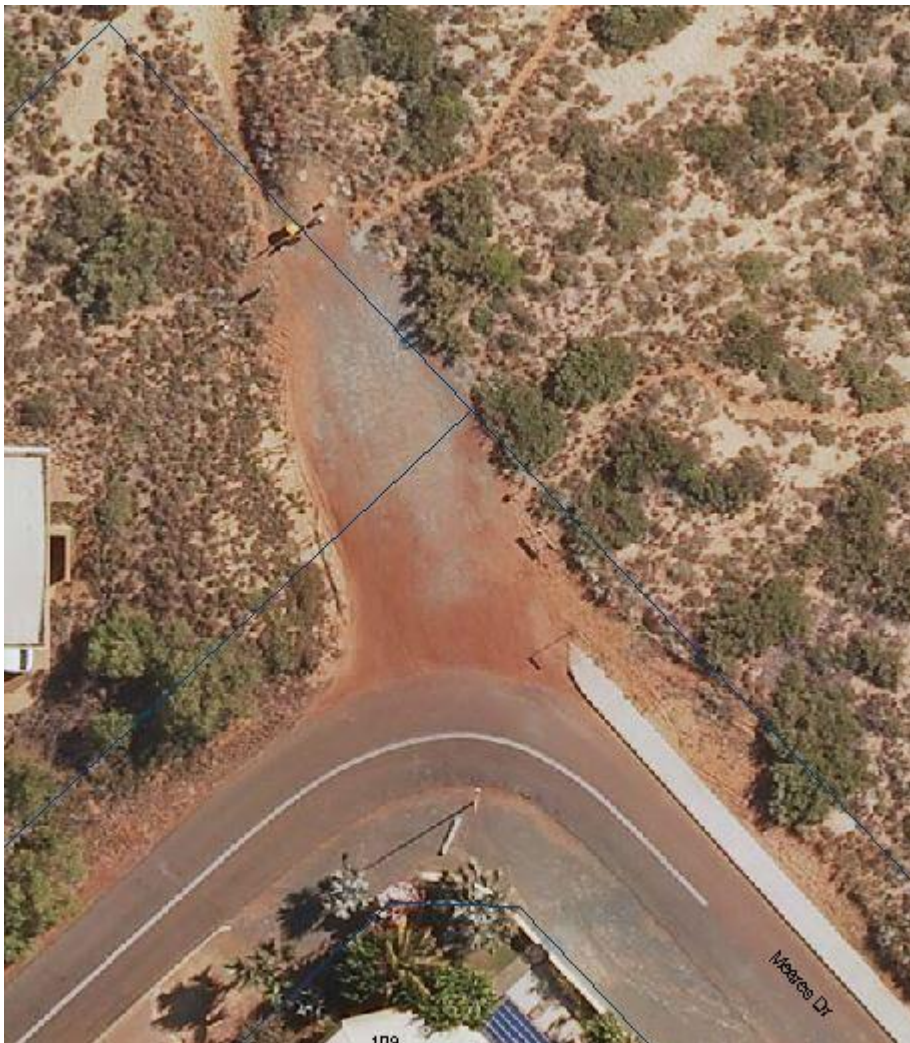


Fig 40. Aerial View of Meares Drive Lookout and parking area encroaching on Lot 197

13. Dampier Salt Lookout



Fig 41. Dampier Salt Lookout showing viewing platform and shade structure

- 13.1 **Location** – Dampier Salt lease
- 13.2 **Access** – Just off Dampier Salt access Road from Dampier Highway
- 13.3 **Tenure** – Lot 322, COT LR3142-707 Dampier Salt Road
- 13.4 **Facilities** – viewing platform, shade structure with seating and picnic table, rubbish service, reasonably defined car parking
- 13.5 **Signage** – Rio Tinto map of salt crystallizer ponds
- 13.6 **Stakeholders and responsibilities** – Rio Tinto
- 13.7 **Strengths** – great views north west over salt ponds and east over Karratha Airport. Planes take off directly overhead and trains pass by in the immediate vicinity
- 13.8 **Weaknesses** – fairly run down
- 13.9 **Threats/Risks** - none
- 13.10 **Opportunities** – work with Rio Tinto to effect some improvements. Install tourism signage.
- 13.11 **Priority** – **Low** - collaboration required with Rio Tinto to discuss opportunities for improvement.

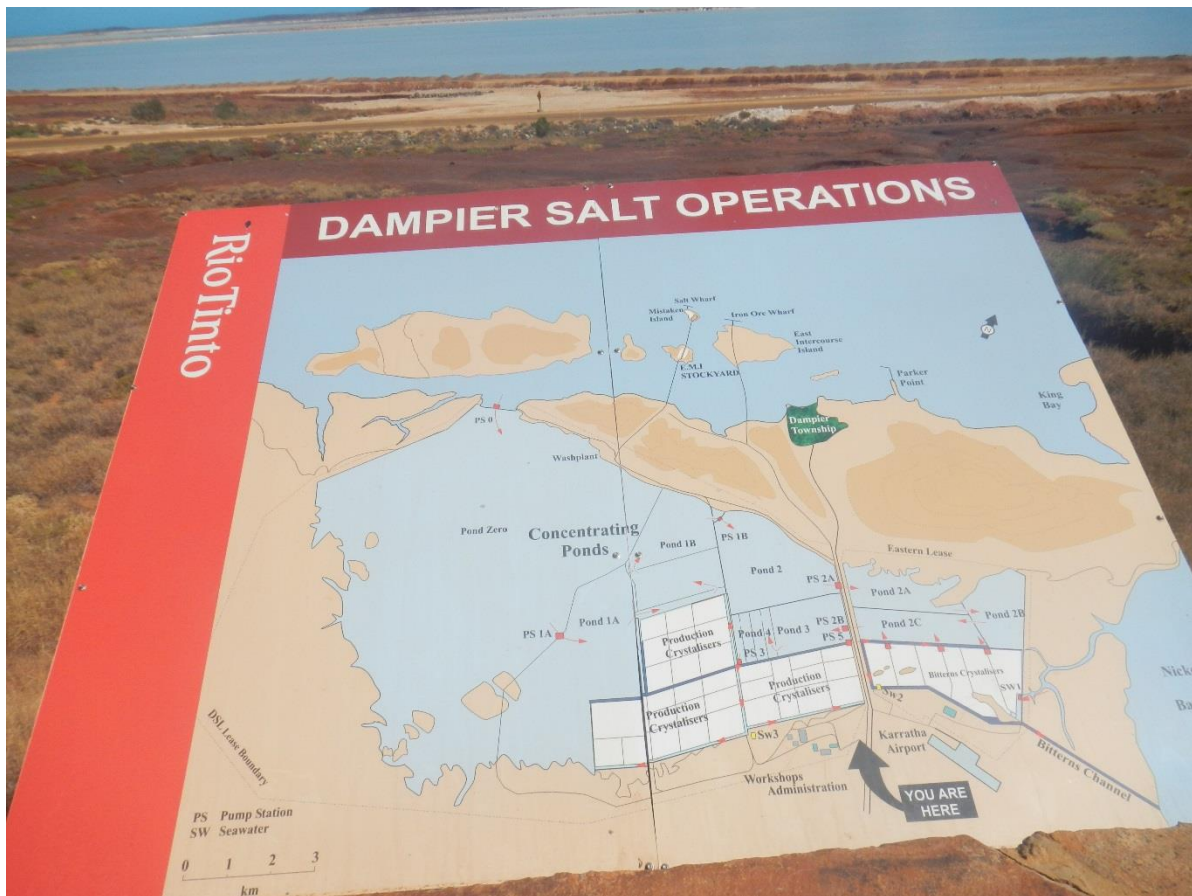


Fig 42. Interpretive signage/map at Dampier Salt Lookout



Fig 43. View from Dampier Salt Lookout back over car parking area

14. Searipple Lookout

14.1 Location – Searipple Road, Karratha - adjacent to Searipple Camp



Fig 44. Searipple Lookout showing access road from Searipple Road

14.2 Access – gravel track from Searipple Road

14.3 Tenure – Res. 36708 Lot 4932 City of Karratha – Parkland and recreation

14.4 Facilities – bin service, bollards

14.5 Signage – in poor condition and needs replacement

14.6 Stakeholders and responsibilities – City of Karratha, Fleetwood

14.7 Strengths – Views of coastal area, Nickol Bay and Burrup Peninsula

14.8 Weaknesses – Lack of amenity, directional signage

14.9 Threats/Risks – undirected access can lead to erosion of coastal dune system

14.10 Opportunities –

14.10.1 Level site

14.10.2 Define car parking area

14.10.3 Install bollards

14.10.4 Install interpretive and directional signage

14.11 Priority – High as it is easily accessible to Karratha, identified as part of Karratha Revitalisation and Foreshore Management Plan



Fig 45. Views across Nickol Bay to Burrup showing signage in need of replacement



Fig 46. Views from Searipple Lookout showing remnants of bollard treatment and track leading to Searipple Camp

Summary of City of Karratha Tourism Lookouts (Full description in preceding Chapters)							
Lookout Name	Location	Stakeholders	Access	Land Tenure	Recommendations/Comments	Indicative Costs	Priority
Water Tanks Lookout	Karratha	Water Corp, City of Karratha	Off De Witt Road via KVC Carpark	Lot 3923 Karratha Road (Now De Witt Road) - Water Corporation.	# Installation of interpretive signage # Levelling the site # Bituminising the parking area # Defined car parking area/bays # Installation of boulders # Improve condition of access road # Partner with Water Corp to implement improvements	\$2000 Requires detailed engineering assessment and costing	High - given the site's close proximity to the Karratha Visitor Center and Karratha CBD, ease of access and wonderful views it is recommended that this is a high priority.
Radio Hill Lookout	Karratha	City of Karratha	Via Millstream Road on part bitumen, part gravel access road	Lot 1143 Broadcast Australia Pty Ltd, Lot 1094 Regional Power Corporation, access road is State of WA Lot 502 Karratha Road	# Interpretive signage # Shade structures/picnic tables # Level site and (approx. 400m ²) # Provide identified parking and turning area # Install boulders	\$2000 \$7,500 Requires detailed engineering assessment and costing	High - given its close proximity to Karratha CBD, excellent views and status as a designated lookout with directional signage.
Searipple Lookout	Karratha	Fleetwood City of Karratha Karratha Community Association	Gravel track and car park off Searipple Road	Res. 36708 Lot 4932 City of Karratha – Parkland and recreation	# Install interpretive and directional signage # Level site (approx. 700m ²) # Define car parking area # Install bollards or boulders	\$2000 \$7,500 Requires detailed engineering assessment and costing	High - easily accessible to Karratha, identified as part of Karratha Revitalisation and Foreshore Management Plan
William Dampier Lookout	Dampier	Rio Tinto, Dampier Community Association, City of Karratha	Hampton Drive, Dampier	Hampton Drive road reserve	# Historical information re William Dampier, early settlement of Dampier etc # Local Indigenous information # Top things to do in the area # Referral to visitor information centres	\$2000	High – due to ease of access, status as a designated lookout, significant views
Mt Welcome Lookout	Roebourne	Water Corp Broadcast Australia City of Karratha Roebourne Visitor Centre Roebourne Advisory Group	Fisher Drive off Withnell St.	2 Fisher Dr - Water Corp 4 Fisher Dr (Lot 560) State of WA 6 Fisher Dr (Lot 452) & 8 Fisher Dr (Lot 558) Broadcast Australia	# General cleanup with weed eradication and rubbish tidy up # New interpretive signage # Installation of boulders # Car park grading	\$2000 \$7,500 Requires detailed engineering assessment and costing	High as it is a designated lookout referred by the Roebourne Visitor Centre.

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Tien Tsin Lookout	Cossack	City of Karratha Roebourne Visitor Centre Cossack Advisory Group	Via Water Tank Hill access road off Perseverance St, Cossack	Lot 500, Cossack road reserve. Access road crosses lots 65, 67, 69 Perseverance St with the latter owned by H. Wilson	# Interpretive signage for directions to points of interest # Grading and levelling of site # Access road needs grading # Remove old concrete railway sleepers # Install boulders	\$2000 Requires detailed engineering assessment and costing	Medium - would be synergistic to upgrade this site in parallel with the Cossack Heritage Trail upgrade as this is one of the associated sites.
Reader Head Lookout	Settlers Beach, Cossack	City of Karratha Karratha Lions Club	Via Settlers Beach Road	Res. 37314, Lot 440 City of Karratha - recreation	# Install new tourism signage # straighten and repaint bollards # sandblast and repaint shade structure	\$2000 Requires quotations	Medium – site is in reasonable condition with a high degree of amenity
Meares Drive Lookout	Sam's Beach, Pt Samson	Point Samson Community Association City of Karratha	Gravel carpark off Meare's Drive	Part of parking area is on Lot 197, Tennereff Pty Ltd which is undergoing a DA for a multiple unit development.	# Install interpretive signage # Install bollards # Install Shade and seating structure # Define car parking and turn around area	\$2000 Requires detailed engineering assessment and costing	Medium – PS Foreshore Management Plan 2013 recognizes lookout in the area so it could be synergistic to update in conjunction with the PSFMP or with the proposed Pt Samson Heritage Trail rather than treat in isolation.
Wickham Tank Hill Lookout	Wickham	City of Karratha Rio Tinto Wickham Community Association	Accessible via a bitumen road from Walcott Drive, Wickham	Res No 44292- Lot 282 Walcott Drive- management order to Water Corp. Part of car park is UCL.	# Install tourism signage # Erect shade structure/seating # bituminize carpark (approx. 450 m2) # Install bollards (approx. 20)	\$2000 \$7,500 Requires detailed engineering assessment and costing	Medium - could be carried out in conjunction with proposed trails project
Dampier Salt Lookout	Dampier Hwy	Rio Tinto City of Karratha	Dampier Salt Access Road, via Dampier Hwy	Lot 322, COT LR3142-707 Dampier Salt Road	# Install interpretive and directional signage # Discuss opportunities with Rio Tinto for improvements	\$2000	Low - collaboration required with Rio Tinto to discuss opportunities for improvement.
Salt Shaker Lookout	Karratha	City of Karratha, Yaburara Heritage Trail Advisory Group	Via Yaburara Heritage Trail from Rotary Lookout	State of WA, Lot 501, Stove Hill Karratha. UCL	# Put in shade structure # Improve pathway with steps in steep sections and apply base cover (gravel/soil) over rocky sections	\$10,000 Requires quotation	Low - given its recent upgrade via the Yaburara Heritage Trail project and high cost of additional infrastructure.

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Water Tank Hill Lookout	Dampier Supply Base	Water Corp Pilbara Ports Authority	Access via bitumen road from King Bay Road	Lot 337 – Water Corp (Tank), Lot 336 State of WA (lookout area)	# Installation of Interpretive/directional signage # Improve car parking with defined parking area and turn around area	\$2000 Requires detailed engineering assessment and costing	Low – a greenfields site which requires considerable consultation with stakeholders
Rotary Lookout	Karratha	Karratha Rotary Club, City of Karratha, Yaburara Heritage Trail Advisory Group	Via Yaburara Heritage Trail from multiple entry points	State of WA, Lot 501, Stove Hill. Zoned Parks, Recreation & Drainage.	Shade and seating problematic to install because of difficult terrain and lack of vehicle access making any installation an expensive proposition.	Requires detailed engineering assessment and costing	Low - given the high cost of providing additional infrastructure
Harding Dam Lookout	Harding Dam	Water Corp City of Karratha	Harding Dam Road	Water Corp	# install tourism signage directing people to visitor centres	\$2000	Low – Nice to have if agreed by Water Corp

Recommendations:

- 1) That the City of Karratha Tourism Lookouts Project become an identified project of Council.
- 2) That the City of Karratha review the recommended lookout priorities and determine:
 - a) The level of amenity, service levels and level of access required for each recommended lookout.
 - b) The priority order of lookout sites to proceed with to the engineering assessment and quotation stages with a timeline for implementation.
- 3) That a scope of works be drafted with the recommended priority lookouts put out to suitable qualified engineering firms for quotation/assessment.
- 4) That the signage for each site have an identified theme carried through all sites similar to that of the PRC Welcome Rest Stops Project.
- 5) That a City of Karratha Tourism Lookouts information and marketing booklet be developed which details the location and features of each site for use by visitor centres and as a downloadable document from the City of Karratha Website.