

# **Doubleview Group Home**

1983 - 1990s

Other Names: • Innaloo Group Home

Metropolitan Division Group Home

## **Details**

Doubleview Group Home (also known as the Innaloo or Metropolitan Group Home) was established in 1983. It was government-run and provided emergency, short and medium term accommodation for school-age children including those who were wards of the State. Doubleview Group Home closed during the early 1990s.

When the Doubleview Group Home opened in 1983, authorities reported (*Signposts* 2004, p.196) that they aimed to provide a 'family type home environment' for up to eight school-age children.

Further reports show that the Home was filled to capacity during its first year of operation and was considered to be a useful resource for placing children in the area. In 1989 the Home was described (*Signposts* p.196) as providing 'short term accommodation and support to young people requiring special care pending reestablishment of family relationships or alternative long term arrangements'.

In 1984 there were four children living at Doubleview at the end of the year and by 1990, the group home was able to accommodate up to seven young people aged 12-15 years.

In 2018, a married couple who worked at Doubleview Group Home and Darlington Hostel were charged with historical child sexual assault offences, dating back to the 1990s. The pair suicided before they faced trial (Pilat, 2018 & 2019).

It is not known exactly when the Doubleview Group Home closed, but it is believed to have ceased to operate in the 1990s.

# More info

## **Related Entries**

#### Run by

- Department for Community Welfare, State of Western Australia (1972 1985)
- Department for Community Services, State of Western Australia (1 January 1985 1 October 1992)

### Resources

- Western Australia. Department for Community Services, *Annual Report: Department for Community Services, Western Australia*, 1985 1992
- Western Australia. Department for Community Welfare, 1973 - 1984

