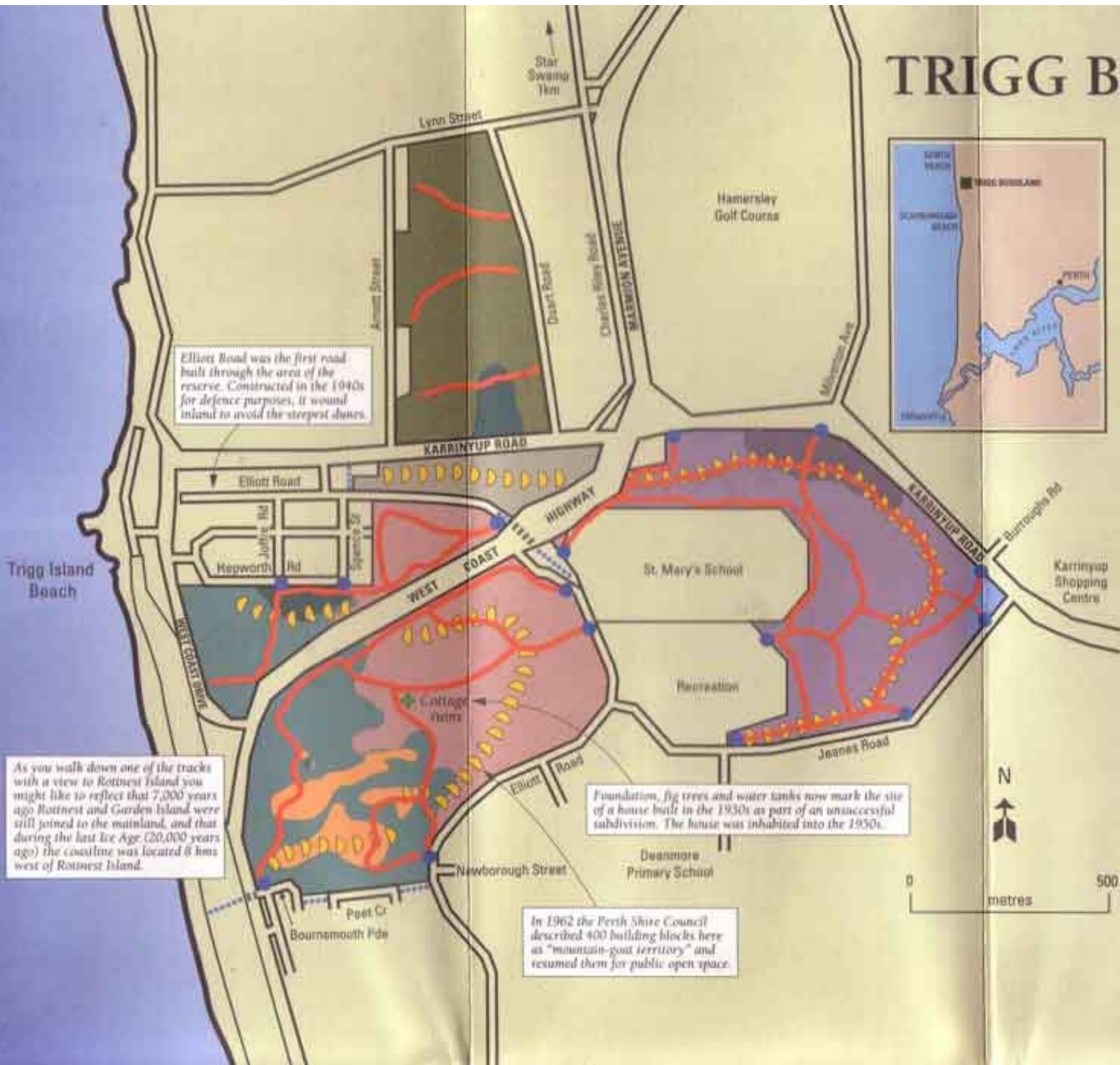


# TRIGG BUSHLAND



## KEY

-  established tracks
-  pedestrian access gates
-  pedestrian underpass
-  connecting footpaths
-  major dune ridges
-  open woodland of tuart with acorn banksia
-  thicker of dune sheoak
-  woodland of tuart, jarrah
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-  combination of open woodland of tuart and coastal shrubland
-  shrubland on limestone
-  thickets of summer-scented wattle with emergent tuart
-  coastal shrubland
-  thickets of Rottnest cypress

Elliott Road was the first road built through the area of the reserve. Constructed in the 1940s for defence purposes, it wound inland to avoid the steepest dunes.

As you walk down one of the tracks with a view to Rottnest Island you might like to reflect that 7,000 years ago Rottnest and Garden Island were still joined to the mainland, and that during the last Ice Age (20,000 years ago) the coastline was located 8 kms west of Rottnest Island.

Foundation, fig trees and water tanks now mark the site of a house built in the 1930s as part of an unsuccessful subdivision. The house was inhabited into the 1950s.

In 1962 the Perth Shire Council described 400 building blocks here as "mountain-goat territory" and resumed them for public open space.