
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (FORMER)



52596 Bridgewater Pres
Church 099

Location

1721 Blowholes Road,CAPE BRIDGEWATER, Glenelg Shire

Municipality

GLENELG SHIRE

Level of significance

Recommended for Heritage Overlay

Heritage Listing

Glenelg Shire

Statement of Significance

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What is significant?

The former Cape Bridgewater Presbyterian Church is located off Blowholes Road. The church was constructed in 1870 by local stonemason Joshua Black. The church is a very simple rendered stone building. The entrance is in the north elevation with a plaque inscribed with the date of construction set in the gable above. The side elevations each have two double hung sash windows. The roof is clad with corrugated iron. The interiors are much altered from the conversion into holiday accommodation. The church is in fair condition and has good degree of integrity externally, although internally the integrity is low. The church is located immediately adjacent to a large timber building (on the west side) which has been brought into the site and is not significant.

How is it significant?

The Cape Bridgewater former Presbyterian Church is of architectural, historical and social significance to the Glenelg Shire.

Why is it significant?

The former Presbyterian Church is of social significance to Cape Bridgewater area as the focus for the strong Presbyterian population who settled the area in the mid to late nineteenth century. Historically, it is significant for its association with the important local family of James Craig White, and for demonstrating the strong Presbyterian faith in the Shire. Architecturally, it demonstrates a representative example of Presbyterian churches in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Glenelg - Glenelg Shire Heritage Study Part One, Carlotta Kellaway, David Rhodes Mandy Jean, 2002;
Construction dates	1870,
Hermes Number	52596
Property Number	

Usage/Former Usage

Used as part of holiday accommodation.

Physical Description 1

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Physical Conditions

Fair condition

Historical Australian Themes

- 8. DEVELOPING AUSTRALIA'S CULTURAL LIFE
 - 8.3: Going on holiday
 - 8.6: Worshipping
 - 8.6.1: Worshipping together
 - 8.6.2: Maintaining religious traditions and ceremonies
 - 8.6.3: Founding Australian religious institutions
 - 8.6.4: Making places for worship
 - 8.6.5: Evangelising

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