
BAPTIST CHURCH



298 Sydney Road Coburg

Location

298 Sydney Road, Coburg VIC 3058 - Property No 38296

Municipality

MERRI-BEK CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO364

Heritage Listing

Merri-bek City

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - September 21, 2004

What is significant?

The Baptist Church at the corner of Sydney Road and Hatton Grove, Coburg.

How is it significant?

The Baptist Church at the corner of Sydney Road and Hatton Grove, Coburg is of local historic and aesthetic significance to the City of Moreland.

Why is it significant?

Of historic significance, for its ongoing association with the Coburg Baptist Church, first formed in 1890. (AHC Criterion G.1)

Of aesthetic significance, as a good example of a church design in the style of Interwar Gothic and is generally intact externally. Also as a good example of a church built to the design of noted local architects Gawler & Drummond. (AHC Criterion F.1)

Heritage Study/Consultant	Moreland - Moreland City Council: Local Heritage Places Review, Context Pty Ltd, 2004; Moreland - City of Coburg Heritage Conservation & Streetscape Study, Timothy Hubbard Pty Ltd, 1991;
Architect/Designer	Gawler & Drummond,
Hermes Number	56876
Property Number	

Physical Description 1

The Baptist Church on the corner of Sydney Road and Hatton Grove, Coburg is an interpretation of an Interwar Gothic style church and is generally intact externally.

It is a squat red brick building with a deep terracotta tiled gabled roof terminated by red brick parapets to the gable ends. The church is entered at the west end via an unusual red brick narthex which runs north-south across the width of the church and is entered via the south (side) elevation. The gable end of the narthex on the south elevation indicates the entrance to the church. Visually the exterior of the narthex is split equally by two buttresses which extend, via a parapet with a rendered ridge, up the west elevation as an indicative double projecting row of red bricks.

Other features include: simple red brick buttresses, painted timber doors with decorative wrought iron hinges, leadlight windows with timber tracery. All joinery is painted white, including the rafters visible under the eave line. The addition at the rear of the building has the same detailing as the original church (but in a different brick?). Roof materials are pressed metal tiles and likely to be original.

Physical Conditions

Good

Integrity

Minor Modifications

This place/object may be included in the Victorian Heritage Register pursuant to the Heritage Act 2017. Check the Victorian Heritage Database, selecting 'Heritage Victoria' as the place source.

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