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# ST JOHN'S UNITING CHURCH (FORMER)



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## Location

3 MAIN STREET, WELSHPOOL, SOUTH GIPPSLAND SHIRE

## Municipality

SOUTH GIPPSLAND SHIRE

## Level of significance

Recommended for Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

## Heritage Listing

South Gippsland Shire

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## Statement of Significance

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### What is significant?

The former St John's Presbyterian (later Uniting) Church opened in January 1923, at 3 Main Street, Welshpool, is significant. It is a small Carpenter Gothic building with modest detailing. Like other examples of this style, it is a timber-framed structure with a gabled roof, a gabled porch, and a skillion vestry. Contributory features include: The gabled porch with timber shingles to the gable end, and timber ledge entry door The nine-pane timber windows. The Health Department vents along the ridge. The simple weatherboard gabled hall. Non-original alterations and addition are not significant.

### How is it significant?

The former St John's Presbyterian Church is of local historic and aesthetic significance to South Gippsland Shire.

### Why is it significant?

Historically, it is associated with the development of Welshpool in the early twentieth century as a result of closer settlement, which resulted in the need for a permanent church. The building and hall served the Presbyterian and Uniting church congregations for over 70 years. (Criterion A)

Aesthetically, while a simple design it is enhanced by distinctive details such as the multi-pane windows and timber shingling to the porch gable end and is an historic landmark within Welshpool. (Criterion E)

Heritage Study/Consultant	South Gippsland - South Gippsland Heritage Study, David Helms with Trevor Westmore, 2004;
Construction dates	1923, 1923, 1923,
Other Names	-, St John's Presbyterian Church, Extra,
Hermes Number	73410
Property Number	

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### Physical Description 1

Weatherboard building with gable roof. Small weatherboard building with gable roof in grounds.

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