Christ Church Complex



Christ Church Complex, Hobsons Bay Heritage Study 2006

Location

59-61 Mason Street NEWPORT, Hobsons Bay City

Municipality

HOBSONS BAY CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO182

Heritage Listing

Hobsons Bay City

Statement of Significance

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What is Significant?

The Christ Church complex, comprising the manse constructed in 1914 and the church designed by Sale & Keage and constructed in 1926-27, at 59-61 Mason Street, Newport.

How is it Significant?

The Christ Church complex at 59-61 Mason Street, Newport is of local historic, social and aesthetic significance to the City of Hobsons Bay.

Why is it Significant?

Historically, it is significant as one of a number of public buildings that demonstrate the significant development that occurred in Newport during the Edwardian and Interwar eras. (AHC criterion A4)

Socially, it is significant for the important role it has played in the development of the Newport community as the focus of Anglican worship in the area. (AHC criterion H1)

Aesthetically, it is significant within the municipality as a superior example of an austere Modern Gothic church, which is complemented by an intact residence. (AHC criterion E1)

Heritage Study/Consultant	Hobsons Bay - Hobsons Bay Heritage Study, Hobsons Bay City Council, 2006;
Construction dates	1926,
Architect/Designer	Sale & Keage,
Hermes Number	15114
Property Number	

Physical Description 1

This is an austere red brick but large Modern Gothic style church which has been altered in detail only. Beside it on the east is an altered Victorian-era weatherboard house which served as the church residence. The church has pointed arch windows and doorways with cement dressings and limited tracery, gabled entry porches, Marseilles pattern terra-cotta roofing tiles, and a cement rose window at the west gable end. It has the appearance of staged construction.

The adjoining church residence is a typical but altered weatherboard Edwardian-era house withareturn bullnose profile verandah and a Dutch-hipped roof clad with corrugated iron.

Integrity

External Condition

Good

External Integrity

Moderate to High

Physical Description 2

Context

Contributory part of Newport Residential Precinct as a keynote building, the precinct being mainly Edwardian era and inter-war housing.

Historical Australian Themes

Forming associations, Making places for worship

Physical Description 3

Associations

Church of England, Sale & Keage, HC Bell, Thomas Berry

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