
FORMER EBENEZER MANSE



Ebenezer Manse & Hall

Location

214 ARMSTRONG STREET SOUTH, BALLARAT CENTRAL - PROPERTY NUMBER 2001365, BALLARAT CITY

Municipality

BALLARAT CITY

Level of significance

Incl in HO area indiv sig

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO6

Heritage Listing

Ballarat City

Statement of Significance

Last updated on - March 5, 2024

What is significant?

How is it significant?

Why is it significant?

Ballarat Conservation Study, 1978

No SoS provided.

Ballarat Heritage Review, 1998

No SoS provided

Heritage Study/Consultant	Ballarat - Ballarat Heritage Precincts Study, Dr David Rowe and Wendy Jacobs, 2006; Ballarat - Ballarat Conservation Study, Jacobs Lewis Vines Architects, 1978; Ballarat - Ballarat Heritage Review, Andrew Ward, 1998;
Architect/Designer	Figgis & Molloy,
Other Names	House, fence,
Hermes Number	178158
Property Number	

Physical Description 1

This Church Hall and Manse are of importance forming part of a group of three prominent and substantial church buildings. The group is unified by the notable cast iron fence which encloses all buildings along Armstrong Street.

The Church Hall was erected in 1892 [1] and survives largely intact apart from the removal of gable end fretwork and finial. This lack of decoration makes the building austere and heavily detailed and is an unfortunate loss.

The original detailing is visible in an early photograph dated 1920 which shows the central church, flanked on each side by the hall and manse.[2] The manse is a substantial two storey brick residence with elegant bay windows to the ground floor and a delicate cast iron verandah. The loss of the cast iron verandah frieze to both levels is regrettable. The manse is unusual for its lack of a central doorway with the entrance being gained from the side. The quoining, elegant window surrounds, eaves brackets, slate roof and unpainted brickwork all contribute to the importance of this residence.

Both these buildings are in good condition. The loss of planting from in front of the church hall and its replacement by a concrete forecourt is unfortunate. A unified planting scheme in front of the three buildings would greatly enhance the presentation of these buildings.

References:

[1]. *See foundation stone.*

[2]. *Ballarat Illustrated 1919, facsimile copy republished 1972.*

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