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# FORMER CUTHBERT'S CHURCH COMPLEX

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## Location

10-20 MORNANE ROAD, MARSHALL VIC 3216

## Municipality

GREATER GEELONG CITY

## Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

## Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7721-0539

## Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

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## Statement of Significance

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## What is significant?

The Former St Cuthbert's Church Complex site is located within land reserved for Church of England purposes in 1854 and occupied by St Cuthbert's Church from 1855 until 1978. The site has been assessed as having moderate-high archaeological potential, with possible remains associated with occupation by St Cuthbert's Church during the nineteenth and early-twentieth centuries: school building and dwelling (c.1855), stables, churches (1871) (1911), vicarage (c.1904), and church hall (1922).

## How is it significant?

The Former St Cuthbert's Church Complex site is of aesthetic, archaeological, historical, and scientific significance at a local level.

# Why is it significant?

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Interpretation of Site	1. Pastoralism & Township development (c.1835-1854) • Removal of vegetation. • Landform modification. 2. Church of England - St Cuthbert's (1855-1977) • Construction of structures/features and fencing. • Horticultural and/or landscaping activities. • Service emplacements. • Realignment/widening of Barwon Heads Road. 3. Marshall Reserve & J.F. Field Play Park (1978-2020) • Demolition/removal of former Church buildings. • Construction of playground and basketball court. • Landscaping. • Signage and services.
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## History

### 1835-1854 vacant land

- clearance of vegetation (c.1840-1855)
- land set aside for Church of England purposes (1854)

### 1855-1934 Church of England

- construction of an Anglican school building & dwelling (c.1855)
- construction of St Cuthbert's Church of England next to the school building (1871)
- planting of trees (cypress, pine)
- construction of stable & associated fencing
- tennis court (1907)
- new timber Church building constructed on the southwest corner of the site fronting Marshalltown Road (1911)
- construction of a vicarage (c.1904) & associated fencing
- school building and dwelling demolished and replaced by a new hall - located southeast of the Church and south of the tennis court (1922)

### 1934-1936 Barwon Heads Road realignment

- Barwon Heads Road deviation proposed with acquisition of land from the Church (1934)
- Barwon Heads Road deviation through Church land approved (1936)

### 1938-1978 Church of England

- vicarage destroyed by fire (1938)
- tree plantings along Barwon Heads Road (c.1950s)
- remainder of church land sold (1978)

### 1964-1968 Barwon Heads Road realignment

- land gazetted for Barwon Heads Road widening (1964)
- land gazetted for Barwon Heads Road realignment (1968)

1978-2020 Marshall Reserve & J.F. Field Play Park

- J.F. Field Memorial Tennis Pavilion (c.1980)
- removal of timber Church building (1987)
- demolition of hall (1988)
- Marshall Reserve & J.F. Field Play Park established (1988)
- erection of post-supported sign 'J.F. Field Play Park' in the southwest corner (1998)
- construction of playground & basketball court

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