St. John's Anglican Church



HO62 - Brick Church, 77a Paisley Street, Footscray.JPG

Location

77A Paisley Street, FOOTSCRAY VIC 3011 - Property No 2061013800

Municipality

MARIBYRNONG CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO62

Heritage Listing

Maribyrnong City

Statement of Significance

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Architecturally, of mixed origin and hence the potential of the Polain design has not been realized. However some valuable brickwork and details remain historically, a major public building in the city over a long period.

| Heritage Study/Consultant | Maribyrnong - City of Footscray Urban Conservation Study, Graeme Butler, 1989; |
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| Other Names | Listed as number 79 in the Footscray Urban Conservation Study, |
| Hermes Number | 28323 |
| Property Number | |

Physical Description 1

Polain's design had been the first in Footscray to use the brightly coloured bricks made fashionable since the Lombardic Romanesque Revival had been so successfully introduced at the Collins Street Independent Church. Equivalent to the decorated stage of English Gothic, the style used here also had the coloured embellishment of the Italian Goths, a mode which became more common in parish churches of the 1885-90s. It is for that reason that the Early English come Norman square tower was an inappropriate addition to the church in lieu of the (more expensive) spired tower of its contemporaries. Williams was using this type of tower in many of his designs throughout the 1930s but there was a symbolic reason for the choice: it was a memorial for those who fell at Normanby in the First War. [1]

References:

1 FHS Notes on Historical Buildings...'.1969

Integrity

External Integrity

Fence gone.

Physical Description 2

Streetscape

Isolated in a mixed commercial/residential area but relates to Baptist church and residence opposite.

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