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# FAWKNER METHODIST CHURCH & SUNDAY SCHOOL (FORMER)



1218-20 Sydney Rd. Fawkner 1218-20 Sydney Rd. Fawkner

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## Location

1218-1220 SYDNEY ROAD,, FAWKNER VIC 3060 - Property No 48149

## Municipality

MERRI-BEK CITY

## Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO370

## Heritage Listing

Merri-bek City

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## Statement of Significance

Last updated on - September 24, 2004

### What is significant?

The Fawkner Methodist Church & Sunday School (former) now known as the Samoan Presbyterian Church, opened in 1956, at 1218-1220 Hume Highway, Fawkner.

### How is it significant?

The Fawkner Methodist Church & Sunday School (former) at 1218-1220 Hume Highway, Fawkner is of local

historical and social significance to the City of Moreland.

### **Why is it significant?**

Of historic significance as one of the earliest church buildings in the Fawkner area. It demonstrates a key phase of development of Fawkner during the immediate post-war period when it was being transformed from a farming area to a suburban housing estate. (AHC Criterion A.4)

Of social significance as a key local meeting place for over 50 years, which has strong associations with the Fawkner community. The recent use as the Samoan Presbyterian Church reflects the continuing cultural diversity of the Fawkner area, which has been a characteristic of the community in the post-war era. (AHC Criterion G.1)

Heritage Study/Consultant	Moreland - Moreland City Council: Local Heritage Places Review, Context Pty Ltd, 2004;
Construction dates	1956,
Architect/Designer	Widdows, Wytan,
Other Names	Samoan Presbyterian Church,
Hermes Number	61686
Property Number	

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## **Physical Description 1**

The former Fawkner Methodist Church is a simple undistinguished single storey weatherboard building with a gabled corrugated cement roof. It has a small weatherboard entrance portico on the west (Sydney Road) elevation which has a flat (steel deck?) roof. The entrance features a small leadlight window with a two orange panes with a small pointed arch in each separated by a plain glass pane. On either side are double hung windows - the one to the right appears to retain a pointed arch in the upper pane. There are five double hung windows along the side elevations reminiscent of an interwar school or hall building. A small weatherboard hall with a gabled roof of lower pitch has been added to the rear (east) elevation of the building which has strip windows under the eave line of the side elevation.

The larger hall to the rear, which was added in 1959, is a weatherboard structure with a low-pitched roof and continuous strip windows just below the eaves line. It is more intact, and in better condition, than the original hall to the front.

## **Physical Conditions**

Good

## **Integrity**

Altered

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