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# Second Church Of Christ Scientist & Hill, Norman & Beard Pipe Organ



B4985 Second Church of Christ Scientist



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## Location

41 Cookson Street,, CAMBERWELL VIC 3124 - Property No B4985

## Municipality

BOROONDARA CITY

## Level of significance

State

## Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H1196

## Heritage Listing

National Trust

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## Statement of Significance

Last updated on - May 6, 2005

An austere brick building of monumental proportions, designed by Bates Smart & McCutcheon and built in 1937, comprising a church, Sunday school and offices at various levels. The exterior consists of overlapping cuboids of banded cream brickwork with patterned cornices and three large wrought iron entrance doors. The church interior, with louvered ceiling, focusses upon a large rostrum screen with geometric patterns. This building is of

importance as a distinctive local example of Northern European neo-classicism and its recognition in 1938 through the award of a R.V.I A medal.

Church Classified: 28/10/1982

Church Revised: 07/09/1989

Statement for Hill, Norman & Beard Pipe Organ

What is significant?

The pipe organ by Hill, Norman & Beard firm dating from the 1930s.

How is it significant?

The organ is significant for historic, aesthetic and technical reasons at a regional level.

Why is it significant?

The Hill, Norman & Beard pipe organ at the Second Church of Christ Scientist is significant for the following reasons:

- . It retains all of its original mechanisms, console and pipework
- . It remains unaltered
- . It is an almost unique example of an organ in the Boroondara municipality that remains in its original state
- . The pipework unusually includes wooden basses for the Great Open Diapason and Dulciana
- . Its placement centrally behind a large plaster grille designed by the building's architects
- . The sound of the instrument is distinctive, clear and bright
- . Very importantly, it appears to be the only example of the firm's new work of this decade to remain intact and in its original location

Organ Classified Regional 20/05/2013

Hermes Number 64802

Property Number

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