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## Former Congregational Church & Organ



B3567 Fmr Congregational Church



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B3567 Former Congregational Church Interior

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### Location

cnr Mair & Dawson Streets,, BALLARAT CENTRAL VIC 3350 - Property No B3567

### Municipality

BALLARAT CITY

### Level of significance

Local

### Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H0995

### Heritage Listing

National Trust

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### Statement of Significance

Last updated on - February 7, 2007

Church Statement of Significance:

A brick church of 1881, designed by Caselli & Figgis in an extraordinary eclectic composition and a prevailing style thought at the time to be Belgian gothic. The focal point of the exterior is a large octagonal corner turret with extremely elaborate statuary niches (empty) at every angle. The entrance front is distinguished by a very richly carved wheel window with an ogee profile hood mould. Other notable features include cream brick parapets with

red quatrefoils; blind arcading on the tower; an arcaded corbel table and lush foliated capitals more art-nouveau than Corinthianesque. The interior is designed as an auditorium with raking floor and partial gallery at the rear. Cast iron columns incorporate cylindrical Tobin tube ventilators. Originally intended to be three bays long, the church was completed to its present form by Molloy and Chandler in 1906. The iron palisade fence with its domed posts and lamp arch over the gates is also included in the classification. Now Ballarat Christian Fellowship Church and Hall.

Classified:13/07/1989

Organ moved to St Mark's Catholic Church, Fawkner B6063.

Other Names      Uniting Church, Ballarat Christian Fellowship Church and Hall,

Hermes Number   67395

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