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# Former St Giles Church and Free Church School



B1145 Former St Giles  
Church and Free Church  
School

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## Location

78 Gheringhap Street, GEELONG VIC 3220 - Property No B1145

## Municipality

GREATER GEELONG CITY

## Level of significance

National

## Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H0633

## Heritage Listing

National Trust

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## Statement of Significance

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The former St. Giles Church and the Free Church school occupy a site which was granted to the Free Presbyterian Church in 1853. The church building dates from 1861 and the School and Master's residence from 1854. Nathaniel Billing, noted ecclesiastical architect & student of Sir Gilbert Scott designed the church in the Decorated Gothic style as a competition entry. The schoolmaster's residence and school house were designed by Geelong architects Snell & Kawerau in the Tudor Gothic style. The picturesque double-gable front to Gheringhap

Street is the most dominant feature of the residence and is enhanced by exposed brick quoins and window hood moulds. The Free Church school closed in 1874 and was converted to the Manse. Of architectural importance.

First Classified 7/7/60

Revised: Classified State 3/8/98

Other Names      St Giles Manse,

Hermes Number   68242

Property Number

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