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## Former Methodist Church



Church & Hall, Church  
Road Bellarine - Photo 1



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### Location

42 Church Road, BELLARINE VIC 3221 - Property No 247511

### Municipality

GREATER GEELONG CITY

### Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

### Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO50

### Heritage Listing

Greater Geelong City

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### Statement of Significance

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#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The former Wesleyan Methodist Church near Porarlington was designed by the long established early Geelong architect/engineer, Andrew McWilliams. This early English gothic Revival parish church, constructed as a rectangular plan hall with central porch and belcote was erected in 1865. the structure is an innovative parish

church design and a notable work of McWilliams, a versatile architect and a municipal engineer whose principal works include the Portarlington Mill, Protestant Orphanage Asylum at Herne Hill and St. James Church of England, Drysdale.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS: PROTECTIVE MEASURES

Geelong Regional Commission Register

Australian Heritage Commission Register of the National Estate

#### REFERENCES

Geelong Advertiser - 28th July, Mr McWilliams, architect, laying of foundations for Portarlington Wesleyan Church.

McLeod, Eunice - Early History of Portarlington and East Bellarine and St Leonards, 1962, p.25.

Huddle, Lorraine - 'Architects in Geelong in the 1840's and 1850's. Research report Department of Architecture, University of Melbourne 1979 - for details of career and principal works and architect, Andrew McWilliams.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Greater Geelong - Geelong Region Historic Buildings and Objects Study, Allan Willingham, 1986;
Heritage Act Categories	Registered place,
Hermes Number	21399
Property Number	

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### Physical Description 1

See Statement of Significance and Place History.

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