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# Christ Church Co-Cathedral



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## Location

22-24 Gray Street HAMILTON, SOUTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

## Municipality

SOUTHERN GRAMPIANS SHIRE

## Level of significance

Stage 2 study complete

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

## Heritage Listing

Southern Grampians Shire

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## Statement of Significance

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## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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The church which is of regional significance is at the centre of the Christ Church complex. It is complimented by its planting, by the various memorials and by the associated buildings. The spire of the church, along with its neighbour and that of St Mary's, is one of the landmarks of Hamilton.

[i] Garden, Don, *Hamilton*, Melbourne, 1984.

[ii] *Church of England Messenger*, 13 September 1878, pp 6-8.

[iii] National Trust of Australia (Victoria) File No 1471.

[iv] Ibid.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Southern Grampians - City of Hamilton Conservation Study, Timothy Hubbard with Carlotta Kellaway & Michael Looker (plus Francis Punch), 1991;
Construction dates	1851, 1878, 1956,
Architect/Designer	Caselli, Henry R,
Hermes Number	24303
Property Number	

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## Physical Description 2

### MATERIALS:

**Roof:** »slate

**Walls:** »rockface bluestone

**Dressings:** »Grampian ? sandstone

**Plinth:** »bluestone

**Windows:** »leadlight and stained

**Paving:** »concrete

Other: »bluestone and sandstone broach spire

**NOTABLE FEATURES:**»stunted broach tower is a Hamilton landmark; lych gate built in 1958

## Integrity

INTEGRITY: E

CONDITION: E

## **Historical Australian Themes**

Religion: Anglicanism

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