

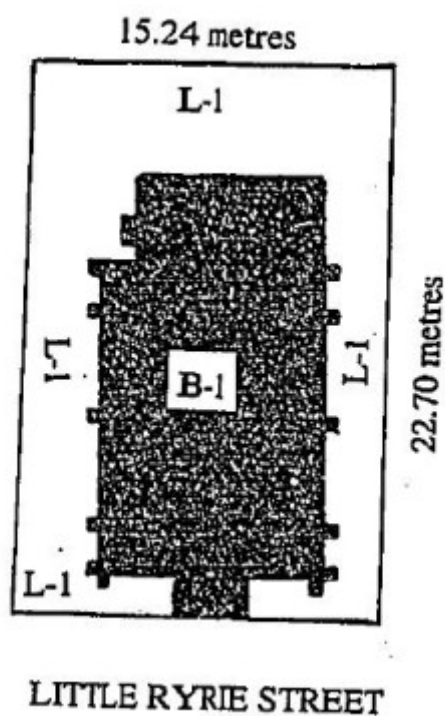
## MT ZION PARTICULAR BAPTIST CHURCH



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### Location

10 LITTLE RYRIE STREET GEELONG, GREATER GEELONG CITY

### Municipality

## Level of significance

Registered

## Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H1122

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO975

## VHR Registration

November 30, 1995

## Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Register

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## Statement of Significance

Last updated on - May 5, 1999

The first Particular Baptist services in Victoria were held in Melbourne in 1840. A congregation of Strict and Particular Baptists was established in Geelong in 1853 under Pastor John Bunyan McCure. The Geelong fellowship acquired land in 1856 and the gabled church in classical temple form was built in the same year. The exterior of the building was stuccoed and decorated in 1876.

Mt Zion Particular Baptist Church is of historical significance to the state of Victoria.

Mt Zion Particular Baptist Church is historically significant for its religious association with the Strict and Particular Baptist Church. This church was established in England in 1633 and was distinguished from the General Baptist Church by its Calvinistic doctrine that salvation was restricted to the elect. The simple, classically inspired building with its plain, hall-like interior reflects the austere nature of the denomination.

The building represents an extraordinary way of life based on strict puritanical views and exclusive membership which can be directly traced to the Particular Baptists' beginnings in the seventeenth century and remains largely unaffected by later, more liberal attitudes. The church is the oldest known extant church of the Particular Baptist Church in Victoria and one of only two still used for its original purpose.

## Permit Exemptions

### General Exemptions:

General exemptions apply to all places and objects included in the Victorian Heritage Register (VHR). General exemptions have been designed to allow everyday activities, maintenance and changes to your property, which don't harm its cultural heritage significance, to proceed without the need to obtain approvals under the Heritage Act 2017.

Places of worship: In some circumstances, you can alter a place of worship to accommodate religious practices

without a permit, but you must [notify](#) the Executive Director of Heritage Victoria before you start the works or activities at least 20 business days before the works or activities are to commence.

Subdivision/consolidation: Permit exemptions exist for some subdivisions and consolidations. If the subdivision or consolidation is in accordance with a planning permit granted under Part 4 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* and the application for the planning permit was referred to the Executive Director of Heritage Victoria as a determining referral authority, a permit is not required.

Specific exemptions may also apply to your registered place or object. If applicable, these are listed below. Specific exemptions are tailored to the conservation and management needs of an individual registered place or object and set out works and activities that are exempt from the requirements of a permit. Specific exemptions prevail if they conflict with general exemptions.

Find out more about heritage permit exemptions [here](#).

Construction dates	1865,
Heritage Act Categories	Registered place,
Other Names	STRICT BAPTIST,
Hermes Number	4817
Property Number	

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## Extent of Registration

### AMENDMENT OF REGISTER OF HISTORIC BUILDINGS

Historic Building No. 1121.

Mt Zion Particular Baptist Church, 10 Little Ryrie Street, Geelong, City of Greater Geelong.

Extent:

1. All of the building known as Mt Zion Particular Baptist Church marked B-1 on Plan 605989 endorsed by the Chairperson, Historic Buildings Council and held by the Director, Historic Buildings Council.
2. All of the land described in Memorial No. 870 Book 857 marked L-1 on Plan 605989 endorsed by the Chairperson, Historic Buildings Council and held by the Director, Historic Buildings Council.

[*Victoria Government Gazette* No. G47 30 November 1995 p.3349-3350]

*This place/object may be included in the Victorian Heritage Register pursuant to the Heritage Act 2017. Check the Victorian Heritage Database, selecting 'Heritage Victoria' as the place source.*

*For further details about Heritage Overlay places, contact the relevant local council or go to Planning Schemes Online <http://planningschemes.dpcd.vic.gov.au/>*