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## METHODIST PARSONAGE (FORMER)



52852 Former Meth  
parsonage 179 Henty St  
Casterton 041

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### Location

179 HENTY STREET, CASTERTON, GLENELG SHIRE

### Municipality

GLENELG SHIRE

### Level of significance

Recommended for Heritage Overlay

### Heritage Listing

Glenelg Shire

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### Statement of Significance

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What is Significant?

The Former Methodist Parsonage, Henty Street, Casterton was built in 1891 for a cost of 590 pounds. No designer or contractor has been linked with the construction. It is a simple, asymmetrical timber house in a conservative late Victorian style. It underwent major repairs in 1915. The Rev. Arthur Lelean was probably the first occupant of the parsonage and his grandson, the Rev. C. D. Lelean was appointed to Casterton in 1954. Many ministers and their families passed through the house. When the Methodist and Presbyterian congregations joined in 1972, prior to the establishment of the Uniting Church, the parsonage became redundant. It was sold and became a private residence when further renovations were made. The front verandah had already been removed. Apart from the loss of the verandah, the house retains a good degree of integrity and is in good condition. The outbuilding at the side of the house has been much modified.

How is it Significant?

The Former Methodist Parsonage is of historical and architectural significance to the Glenelg Shire.

Why is it Significant?

The Former Methodist Parsonage is of historical significance for its association generally with the Methodist Circuit of Casterton, Merino and beyond and specifically the incumbent Ministers and their families who lived there over eighty years. It expresses the role and position of the Methodist congregation and clergy in the community. It is of architectural significance as a modest, simply detailed purpose-built residence.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Glenelg - Glenelg Shire Heritage Study Part One, Carlotta Kellaway, David Rhodes Mandy Jean, 2002; Glenelg - Glenelg Heritage Study Stage Two (a), Heritage Matters, 2006;
Other Names	FORMER METHODIST MANSE, FORMER METHODIST PARSONAGE,
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## Usage/Former Usage

currently residential

## Physical Description 1

The former parsonage is a modest, asymmetrical timber residence in a conservative late Victorian style. The entrance is on the west side. The front door is four-panelled and set within a frame including coloured sidelights and transom hopper window. The main windows are two paned double hung sashes. The corrugated iron roofs are low pitched with timber finials tying the apex of the gable to a timber chord. The chimneys are brick with corbelled tops. The simple timber return verandah with fine timber brackets has been removed. Other materials such as pressed metal ceilings and pressed coloured glass indicate the date of construction. There is a skillion extension, almost certainly part of the original construction at the rear. These details and materials are typical of the period and scale of the house. The structure on the west side of the house may have been the stable and buggy shed. It is now converted to a semi-outdoor living space. The garden retains some large shrubs which may date from the construction of the house. There is a reference in the historical literature to 'some large pines trees in the parsonage backyard' being cut down in early 1925. Major posts survive from the original fence.

## Physical Conditions

The house is in good condition.

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