

# HERITAGE PLACE

**NAME OF PLACE:** UNITING CHURCH

**ADDRESS/LOCATION OF PLACE:** Watsons Road GLEN FORBES

**STUDY NUMBER:** 406

**HERITAGE OVERLAY NUMBER:** HO80

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**LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA:** Bass Coast Shire

**PARISH:** PARISH OF CORINELLA

**SIGNIFICANCE RATING:** Local



Uniting Church, Watsons Road, Glen Forbes

**Image Date:** March 2002

**EXTENT OF LISTING:**

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Location Watsons Road GLEN FORBES

PARISH OF CORINELLA

COUNTY OF MORNINGTON

Planning Authority

Ward Leadbeater

Access Description

Map Number

0

Map Scale 1:100000

Latitude

Longitude

UMG Zone

Easting

Northing

Location Validity

Spatial Accuracy

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Published Extent of Listing

Significance Local

Statement of Significance

The Uniting Church at Watsons Road, Glen Forbes is of local historic, social and aesthetic significance. Constructed in 1902, and relocated to its present site in 1903, the church has served as a centre for local Presbyterian/Uniting Church worship and community activity for a century. Aesthetically the church is a substantially intact and representative example of a rural church with simple Gothic Revival detailing. With its picturesque hilltop site and backdrop of Monterey Cypresses, the church is a local landmark.

Gazettal Details

Permit Exemptions

Exemptions Policy

Assessment Against Criteria

AHC A.4 Importance for association with events, developments or cultural phases which have had a significant role in the human occupation and evolution of the nation, State, region or community.

AHC G.1 Importance as a place highly valued by a community for reasons of religious, spiritual, symbolic, cultural, educational, or social associations.

Date Assessed 13/08/2004 Assessed By F Woodhouse

Comparisons

Rare Assessment

Intact Assessment

Good

Include in VHR  Include in RNE  Include in Local Planning Scheme  No Recommendations for Inclusions

Recommended Management

Investigate original external paint colours

Replace fibro-cement board cladding at the rear of the church with weatherboard cladding.

Heritage Act Categories

Heritage Item Groups

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Heritage place

Religion

Church

Title Details

Physical Description

The Glen Forbes Uniting Church is a simple weatherboard building comprising a nave and entry porch with corrugated galvanised steel roofs. The skillion roofed rear wing is a later addition. The front entry porch contains a V-jointed timber board door and a non-original timber cross affixed to the gable apex. The side elevations each contain two lancet-arched, timber-framed windows. The interior features

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original timber-board lining and a honour roll listing First and Second World War servicemen.  
The church yard is delineated by a recent timber post and rail fence and contains a stand of mature cypress trees.

## Physical Condition and/or Archaeological Potential

Good

Usage Unknown.

Associated People

Historical Notes

The first Methodist Church services in the Glen Forbes district were held at the residence of Richard Ward at Allotment 13 at Jumbunna. Fundraising began to raise money for a church building in 1900. The Glen Forbes South Methodist Church was built in 1902 on Ward's property at a cost of 8 pounds. It was opened in April that year by Rev W Wytes. In 1903 it was relocated to its current site on land believed to have been donated by Campbell family.

Historic Themes

Thematic Environmental History

15.1 Religion: Religious observance through Church services and worshipping were an integral part of the experience of settling a new country or town. Most of the main denominational churches were established in the Bass Coast Shire by the late nineteenth century.

Listings

References

Author	Title	Year	Shelf	Location
Alan Jones, pers comm		2004		
Joseph White	One Hundred Years of History	1974		

Conservation Plans

Owner Type

Section 32 Recommendation

Owners/Occupants/Managers

Other Notes

Application Detail

Adviser Comments

Planning Scheme Amendments

Overlay Controls

Planning Scheme Schedule

External Paint Controls? No Included in Vic Heritage Register? No

Internal Alteration Controls? No Prohibited uses may be permitted? Yes

Tree Controls? Yes Name of incorporated plan No

Outbuildings/fences not exempt? No Aboriginal Heritage Place? No