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BUILDING TITLE WESLEY SUNDAY SCHOOL LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA CITY OF BALLACRAT

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DESIGNATION

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BUILDING TYPE SUNDAY SCHOOL
BUILDING NAME
STATE VICTORIA
LOCAL GOVT AREA CITY OF BALLAARAT
STREET DANA ST (OFF LYDIARD)
SUBURB, TOWN BALLARAT C.B.D.
CITY BALLAARAT POSTCODE 3350
RURAL

NEAREST CENTRE

Km.

TITLE REFERENCE

Fol

DIRECTORY
NEGATIVE FILE

PHOTOGRAPHIC ILLUSTRATION
DATE OF SURVEY/INSPECTION JULY 1978

ORIGINAL WESLEYAN CHURCH IN AUSTRALIA/SULDAY
ADDRESS SCHOOL

ARCHITECT/PRACTICE J.A. DOANE BUILDER ARTISANS/TRADES

TENDERS

OWNERSHIP

REFERENCE

DATE OF CONSTRUCTION 1870

ESTIMATE/CONTRACT VALUE

ALTERATIONS/ADDITIONS 1881-ROUND NORTH WINDOW REPLACED BY LANCET WINDOWS; 1898 WEST ENTRANCE ADDED 'MR. BRAZENOR ARCH (£395); 1931 LATH & PLASTER CEILING REMOVED, JUNIOR ROOM WOOD PANELLED.

BUILDING CITATION

This two storey red brick church school building was constructed in 1870 to the design of Architect J.A.Doane. It is an asymmetrical composition with a square tower rising to a steep pyramidal roof in patterned slating (with steep dormer windows in the faces) but from which the finial has been removed. The Dana Street polychrome brickwork facade is somewhat austere with thin lancet windows (inserted in 1881) with banded heads which replaced the original circular window, and strips of diaper patterning. The present building is a modification of the original sche: the tower was to be positioned east of the gable on the low side, not west; and the facade is less modelled (the bracketted eaves treatment was to continue as a horizontal band across the tower). The original design was possibly more harmonic but the existing building is none the less of great interest. It appears to be a marked departure from other buildings designed by Doane of this period.

This building forms an extremely important streetscape element as part of the Wesleyan Church complex. The juxtaposition of elaborate patterned brick church as school buildings is quite unique,

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that this building, as part of the Wesleyan Church complex, be added to the Historic Buildings Register, the Register of the National Estate, and be specified under Clause 8 of the Town and Country Planning Act (Third Schedule). The whole complex should be specified as an area under Clause 8B of the Town and Country Planning Act (Third Schedule).

DOCUMENTATION SOURCES

- 01 GOVERNMENT RECORDS
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48.7 miles

05 YERMON COLLECTION, BALLARAT: DRAWINGS SIGNED 25.7. 1870 OF ORIGINAL HALL

BIBLIOGRAPHY 1. HENDERGON S.C. 'A HISTORY OF WESLEY' 1953-1963

ASSESSMENT OF LISTING

CONDITION/INTEGRITY OF BUILDING GUBSTANTIALLY INTACT

SIGNIFICANCE OF BUILDING

LANDSCAPE/STREETSCAPE/ENVIRONMENTAL SIGNIFICANCE PART OF RECOMMENDED

AREA AL.I.

DOCUMENTATION JACOBS LEWIS VINES DATE SEPTEMBER 1978
ARCHITECTS
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