

HERITAGE PLACE

NAME OF PLACE: PRESBYTERIAN MANSE (FORMER)

ADDRESS/LOCATION OF PLACE: Bunbury Street CAVENDISH

STUDY NUMBER: 375

HERITAGE OVERLAY NUMBER:

PRECINCT: Cavendish

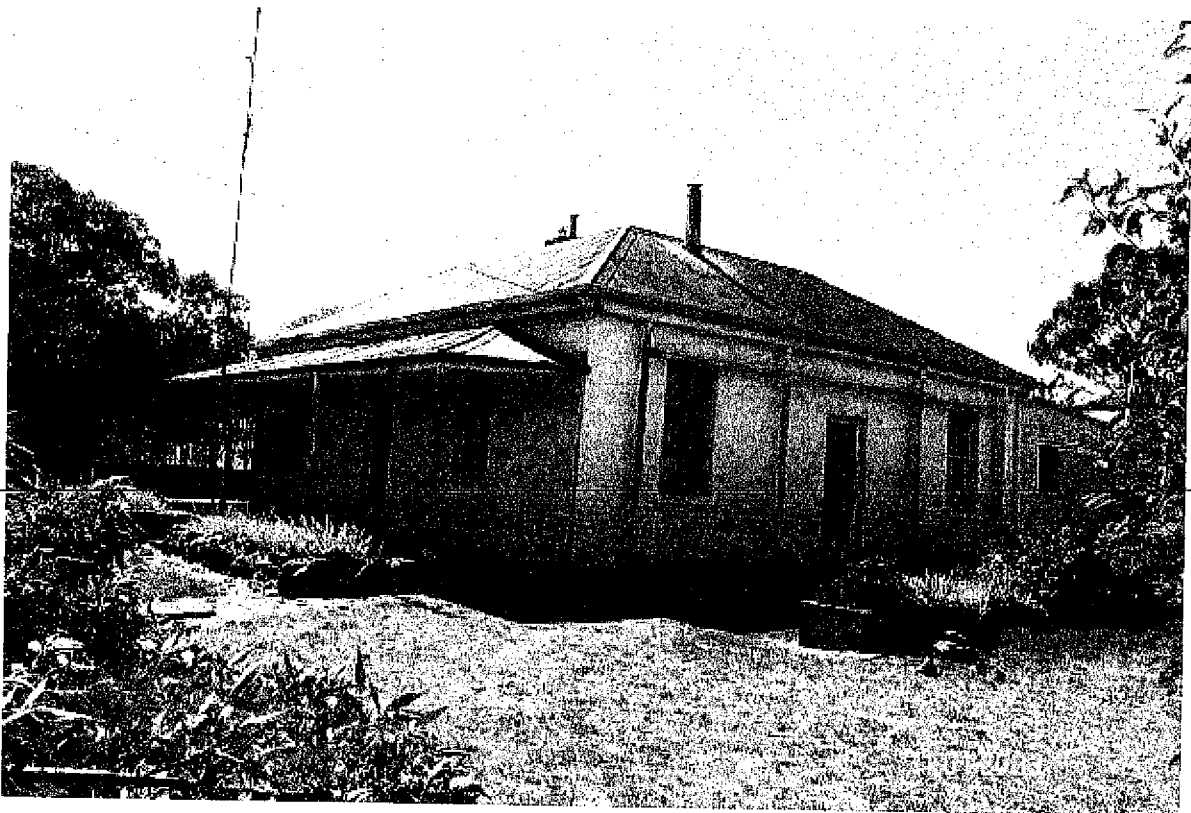
LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA: Southern Grampians Shire

ALLOTMENT: 18 **SECTION:** E

ACCESS DESCRIPTION:

CFA 432 JH2 (opp 10); VicRoads 228 H7; located on the northern side of Bunbury Street, facing south and directly opposite St John's Lutheran Church

SIGNIFICANCE RATING: Local



Presbyterian manse (Former), Bunbury Street, Cavendish

Image Date: 11/01/03

EXTENT OF LISTING:

To the extent of: 1. All the house and all of the land.

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PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:

The former Presbyterian Manse is located on the northern side of Bunbury Street, facing south and directly opposite St John's Lutheran Church. The manse is a single storey symmetrical painted brick house with a hipped colourbond roof and shallow hipped colourbond verandah, with a later timber extension. A four pane double hung sash window is located on either side of the front door. The floorplan of the main house is traditional in form, with rooms opening for a central passageway. All of the windows in the main house are four paned sash windows. The house is set in a large suburban garden with mainly modern plantings.

HISTORY:

The land on which the former Presbyterian manse stands was first purchased from the Crown J. Forsyth. The site was directly opposite the Presbyterian Church reserve in Bunbury Street, adjacent to the Roman Catholic Church reserve and diagonally opposite the Church of England reserve (Department of Lands and Survey, 1967). The allotment was purchased in the mid 1870s.

The Presbyterian Church site opposite was reserved after 1858. The church, originally called St John's, is said to have been built as early as 1857 but this is more likely to be the foundation date of the Presbyterian congregation in the area. The Rev Angus Macdonald arrived from Edinburgh in 1857, and was appointed the minister to Hamilton, preaching at Cavendish once a month (Hamilton (ed.), 8).

Edward Crossley was a member of the committee of management of the Cavendish Presbyterian Church, a J. P and the owner of Kenilworth North. Always active in local affairs, it was Crossley who was largely responsible for ensuring the construction of the Manse in 1878 (HCC File).

It is thought that St John's Presbyterian Church and Manse continued to be used until the 1970s, when it became surplus to requirements following the creation of the Uniting Church.

THEMATIC CONTEXT:

Theme 8 Developing Australia's cultural life

8.6 Worshipping

8.6.1 Worshipping together

8.6.3 Founding Australian religious institutions

8.6.4 Making places for worship

8.12 Living in and around Australian homes

8.14 Living in the country and rural settlements

CONDITION:

The house is in fair condition, but suffering from rising damp in the brick work.

INTEGRITY:

high degree of integrity

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

What is significant?

The former Presbyterian Manse, on the north side of Bunbury Street, opposite the former St. John's Presbyterian Church in Dunkeld was built in 1878. The owner of the Kenilworth North station, Edward Crossley was instrumental in Organising the purchase of the land and building of the manse. There has been no architect or builder associated with the design. The house remains substantially intact and is in fair condition.

How is it significant?

The former Presbyterian manse is of historical and social significance to the township of Cavendish and the Southern Grampians Shire.

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The former Presbyterian Manse is of historical significance for its local connections with important individuals and the Presbyterian community generally. It is of social significance as a model of stable religious and family life in rural conditions.

COMPARISON:

237 St Andrew's Manse (former Presbyterian), Martin Street, Penshurst

375 Presbyterian Manse (Former), Bunbury Street, Cavendish

044 Uniting Church Manse, 81 Church Street, Coleraine

211 St Andrews Presbyterian Church and Manse (former), Monroe Street, Branxholme

ASSESSED BY: TFH & AEN

ASSESSMENT DATE:

10-Mar-04

EXISTING LISTINGS:

HERITAGE STUDY RECOMMENDATIONS:

Include in VHR Include in RNE Include in Local Planning Scheme

No Recommendations for Inclusions

REFERENCES:

Author	Title	Year	Page
Department of Lands and Survey	Township of Cavendish	1967	