

<b>Place name</b> St Columba's Uniting Church complex	<b>Survey Date:</b> 04/07/2004
<b>Other name</b> St Columba's Presbyterian Church, Gregg Memorial Hall	<b>Id:</b> 966
<b>Street</b> 131 to 171 Raymond Street	<b>Last Update</b> 04/10/2004
<b>Locality</b> Sale	<b>Postcode</b>
<b>Official Locality</b>	<b>Property No</b>
<b>Local Government Area</b> Wellington Shire	
<b>Precinct:</b> Precinct - Sale Town Centre	
<b>Easting</b>	<b>Northing</b>
<b>Map</b>	
<b>Workshop number</b>	<b>Workshop votes</b>
<b>Field survey number</b>	<b>Community priority</b>
<b>Designer</b>	<b>Builder</b>
<b>Ownership</b> Not known	<b>Built Date</b> 1955-56 <b>Change Date</b>

**Description** St Columba's Uniting Church comprises two buildings, the church and Sunday School plus garden elements. It is located alongside Login Place (refer to separate citation in this Study - #1162). The church is relatively recent (1956). It employs traditional church architecture in a simplified form appropriate to its period. Architectural elements of interest include the Gothic form and the simplified tower.

Adjoining the church to the south is a small brick Sunday School, four bays in length with a Gothic window in each bay, and chimney to the side. The facade is symmetrical, using the pointed arch for windows, central door, belfry, and to create a triangular window above the door. While simple in form and materials, the use of recessed brickwork panels and the placement of openings, creates a striking facade. Within the surrounds of the church is a privet hedge which contains the remnants of a wire and timber fence.

Plantings adjacent in Login Place form a pleasant setting and include four Canary Island Date Palms (*Phoenix canariensis*) and seven remnant River Red Gums (*Eucalyptus camalulensis*).

The two buildings appear to remain substantially intact externally, and elements of their setting also remain. Not inspected internally.

Feature	Style	Wall Materials	Roof Materials
Church	Contemporary	Brick	Not visible/known
Hall/Sunday school	Gothic	Brick	

**Condition** Good      **Integrity** Evidence of stages

Redevelopment/change	
Religious	Building

**History** St Columba's was built in 1956, replacing St Andrew's, which had been Sale's Presbyterian Church since 1859.(1) The land was permanently reserved for the church in 1870.(2) Elements of the old church were incorporated in the new: the royal blue wall hanging, the communion table, the elders' chairs and brass memorial tablets.(1)

After making the difficult decision to demolish the old church, which had been used as an all-purpose hall, a kindergarten and a hall (Gregg Memorial Hall) were built on the site, and were opened in 1973.(1) When the Presbyterian and Methodist churches were amalgamated, this site was chosen by the local congregation as the new Uniting Church.

Login Place was beautified by palms planted by sustenance workers in the 1930s.(3) It was named after the pioneering Presbyterian Minister, William S. Login, who owned purchased land from the Crown at 1 Raglan Street in the early 1860s (Refer to separate citation in this Study).(4)

#### SOURCES

- (1) 'The Wind Still Blows', pp.121-124.
- (2) Town of Sale Plan, 1910.
- (3) Information from Norm Medew and Peter Synan.
- (4) Town and Parish of Sale Plan, 1918.

Heritage Protections	Register	Reference	Zoning	Status
	Planning Scheme	x		Recommended

**National Estate**

**Research Required**

**Recommendations**

**Fieldwork priority?**

**Stage 1 Ranking** Assessed: Sale Heritage Stu **Stage 2 priority** Planning Scheme: Individua

**Final Ranking** Local significance **Final Recommendation**

**Statement of significance** St Columba's Uniting Church and Sunday School Hall are of local historic and aesthetic significance to Wellington Shire. Historically, they are significant parts of the heritage of Sale as one of the key landmarks of importance within the Sale Presbyterian community. The church is the second of this denomination to be built on the site, replacing the earlier 1859 St Andrew's Presbyterian Church, the second oldest church in Sale, and has historical importance for its continuing association with the site. Login Place, named after a Presbyterian minister and adjoining this historic landmark site, creates a significant landscape setting for the church and hall. (RNE criteria A.4, E.1, G.1)

**Extent of designation**

**Informant**

**Notes**

**Follow up**

**Bibliography** Context Pty Ltd, (1994), City of Sale Heritage Study  
Context Pty Ltd, (2004), Wellington Heritage Study: Sale Review

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<b>Street</b>	131 to 171 Raymond Street	<b>Last Update</b>	4/10/2004
<b>Locality</b>	Sale	<b>Postcode</b>	
<b>Official Locality</b>		<b>Property No</b>	CA 8, Section 5
<b>Local Government Area</b>	Wellington Shire	<b>Property Info</b>	
<b>Precinct:</b>	Precinct - Sale Town Centre		
<b>Easting</b>		<b>Northing</b>	
<b>Map</b>			
<b>Workshop number</b>		<b>Workshop votes</b>	
<b>Field survey number</b>		<b>Community priority</b>	
<b>Designer</b>		<b>Builder</b>	
<b>Ownership</b>	Not known	<b>Built Date</b>	1933 (palm)
		<b>Change Date</b>	

**Description** Login Place is a landscaped area that provides the setting for St Columba's Uniting Church. The area contains several large River Red Gums (*Eucalyptus camaldulensis*) and Canary Island Date Palms (*Phoenix canariensis*). In addition there is a large elm and palm in the grounds of the Helen Cowie Memorial Playground of the kindergarten. Stone edging remains along the Raymond Street frontage.

While the condition of the trees is generally good, they require on-going maintenance and management to ensure good health and will need attention in the future.

Feature	Style	Wall Materials	Roof Materials
Reserve	Other	Not applicable	Not applicable

**Condition** Good **Integrity** Not able to assess

Damage and disease	
Public	Tree(s)

**History** This site was gazetted in 1870 as part of a permanent reserve for a Presbyterian Church.(1)

An artesian well was drilled by August Niemann for the Borough Council in 1880 close to the present Login Place. A photograph shows water pouring from a fountain-like structure enclosed within a timber railing fence.(3)

Remnant indigenous River Red Gums (*Eucalyptus camaldulensis*) were retained and in 1933 new exotic plantings were undertaken by sustenance workers. These consisted of several Canary Island Date Palms (*Phoenix canariensis*) and the site was subsequently named Login Place to commemorate the pioneering Rev. W. Login who purchased land from the Crown at 1 Raglan Street in the early 1860s. (2)

Heritage Protections	Register	Reference	Zoning	Status
	Planning Scheme	x		Recommended

**National Estate**

**Research Required**

**Recommendations**

**Fieldwork priority?**

**Stage 1 Ranking** Assessed: Sale Heritage Stu **Stage 2 priority** Planning Scheme: Contribut

**Final Ranking** Contributory (Local) **Final Recommendation** Amendment C26

**Statement of significance** Login Place, a small commemorative park with a mixture of remnant indigenous trees and exotic plantings, is of local historic and aesthetic significance to Wellington Shire. Historically, it is important for its associations with the establishment of the Presbyterian church in Sale and also provides evidence of the many public works constructed by sustenance workers during the 1930s depression. The remnant River Red Gums provide evidence of the landscape of Sale at the time of

first contact and settlement. Aesthetically, it provides a complementary setting for the St Columba's Uniting Church and contributes to the historic character of the Sale Town Centre precinct. (RNE criteria A.4, E.1, G.1)

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#### Notes

#### Follow up

#### Bibliography

- (1) Victoria Government Gazette, 1870, p.252.
- (2) Information from Peter Synan, 15 April 1993.
- (3) Allen, E., 'Sale: Pictorial Nostalgia', p.26.
- Context Pty Ltd, (1994), City of Sale Heritage Study
- Context Pty Ltd, (2004), Wellington Heritage Study: Sale Review

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