

# *ST DAVID'S PREYBYTERIAN CHURCH & MANSE*

Lots 11 & 12 DP 806710 Nos. 32 & 40 Lithgow Street, Campbelltown  
Gothic Church, built, 1840-1842; two storey Victorian Manse, built 1882.





## **HISTORY AND DESCRIPTION:**

Commenced in 1840 to a design by James Hume, a well-known architect working in the late colonial period and believed to be built by a Mr Leslie. It is in the early "Commissioners Gothic" style, with pointed arches, sandstone plinth, three bay with single pointed lights divided into two by wooden Y tracery. Iron gabled roof terminates in stone parapets with short obelisks. Opened July 10, 1842. A tower and vestry were planned (Bayley) but never built).

The stained glass windows are mostly diamond coloured but include four memorial windows. The grounds are simple and a native garden bed has been planted in the front. Reverend Gilchrist established the Presbyterian Church in Campbelltown. The Victorian house was built in 1882. The three large palm trees are relics of the old garden and lend a period touch.

## **CONDITION AND USE:**

The church was renovated both internally and externally in 1972, the western wall is rendered and painted (though the date of rendering is not known). Its grounds are simply and pleasantly kept, open to Lithgow Street, with grass and mature native trees.

The manse has also been well maintained, though its roof is of modern tiles.

## **HERITAGE SIGNIFICANCE:**

- Of historic, architectural, aesthetic and group significance
- An early church building in an early Revivalist style by a known architect. Pleasantly situated. The nineteenth century manse is alongside, though now privately owned.

## **HERITAGE LISTING:**

**LOCAL:** LEP 2002

**STATE:** *Proudfoot:* Index No. 58, Category 2

*Macarthur Regional Heritage Study:* Map 5, No. 61

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