

# Auckland Council District Plan (North Shore Section)

## Proposed Plan Change 38

### Proposed New Item

#### Appendix 11A: Schedule of Buildings, Objects and Places of Heritage Significance



**Name:** Vicarage of St John the Baptist Church (Anglican)  
**Address:** 47 Church Street, Northcote

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ID:	535	Category:	B	Use:	Residential	DP Map:	25
Material 1:	timber	Condition:	Good	Cultural Heritage:	High		
Material 2:	tiles	Integrity:	Good	Streetscape:	High		
<u>Construction Dates</u>							
From:	1929	To:		Alteration Dates:	1963, 1968		
Legal Description:	Lot 2 DP 21558				Zoning:	Residential 3B	

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#### **Architect/Designer/Contractor:**

The vicarage was designed by architect Edward G. Le Petit in 1929.

Constructed by Hall & Broady, who built a number of buildings in the Northcote area including a house at 119 Queen Street (scheduled item no. 173), a house at 85 Queen Street (scheduled item no. 167) furniture for St Andrews Presbyterian Church (scheduled item no.67) and the Onewa Picturedrome/ Bridgeway Theatre (scheduled item no. 76

#### **Architectural Style:**

Built in 1929 the vicarage has similarities with timber bungalows designed at a similar time. It has a gabled tiled roof, weatherboard clad walls and sash windows. It is notable for its pictorial leaded glass windows.

An extension to the front of the house is compatible with the original building.

**Reference Source:**

*History of the Parish of St John the Baptist, Northcote, 1860-1960*; Yolande Carter, "History of St John the Baptist Church", *Northcote's Past*, p. 252  
Property file (Dataworks) Plans

**NZHPT Listing:**

Not Registered by NZHPT.

**Significant Elements:**

Original form, materials and detailing, including pictorial leaded windows.

**Extent of Listing:**

Entire exterior of building.

**History:**

In 1853, an acre of land in Northcote was deeded to Bishop Selwyn. The ground was consecrated in 1859 and the first church built.

In 1927, the old parsonage at 43 Church Street was sold, and in 1929 a new one built by Hall & Broady, costing £1,100. <sup>1</sup>

**Statement of Significance**

**Architecture:**

It is a modest but well built timber house with a tiled roof. Its pictorial leaded glass windows, one of which illustrates a church with a steeple, are notable feature. Interestingly this feature, as well as the main front entrance, relates to the church site rather than the street, strengthening the notion of a church precinct, of which it is a part. The house is built relatively close to the street, without the setback typically associated with houses of the Inter-War era. Despite this, the original plan included a semi-open porch with a complete balustrade (now enclosed) facing the street, designed for use of the occupants of the house. These features and the planning of the house create additional interest.

The vicarage is the work of architect Edward G. Le Petit.

**History:**

The house is of some significance because of its association with the Anglican St John the Baptist Church, the oldest church in Northcote. It was built as the vicarage in 1929.

**Context:**

This house is considered important in terms of providing an understanding of the context of St John's Church. The 1859 church remains on its original site together with the hall and houses built as vicarage.

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