

SA Heritage Register

Place Nomination form

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A place is eligible for entry in the Heritage Register if it meets one or more of the criteria in Section 16(1) of the *Heritage Places Act 1993* (Act). Using the table below, please explain why you believe the place should or should not be entered into the Register, using the said criteria. The South Australian Heritage Council invites your submission regarding the entry of this place. For help in making a submission, please refer to the Guidelines for Interpreting State Heritage Criteria (**Attachment E**) and also available online: [Guidelines-for-Interpreting-State-Heritage-Criteria-2024.pdf](#)

How to help your nomination be successful:

- Fill out this form with as much information as possible.
- Expand answer fields as required and append information to the form.
- Include images, maps, diagrams, plans and photos where possible.

For assistance, contact:

- Your local historical society or heritage adviser.
- Heritage SA - Assessment Officer on **8372 7521**

Please note:

- Places which have been previously nominated during the past three years will not be reconsidered by the South Australian Heritage Council, unless you can provide significant **new** information.

A. Nominated Place

1. Name	
Name of place:	Sturton Methodist Church
Former name/s:	
Is the place already on another heritage list?	Not as far as I can tell.

2. Location					
Street Address:	Sturton Rd				
	Suburb / Town: Edinburgh SA			Post Code: 5111	
LGA (Council Name):	City of Salisbury				
Land Description (if known):	Title Type:	Volume No:	Folio No:	Plan Type:	Plan No:
	Allotment Type:	Allotment No:	Hundred Name:		
GPS Coordinates (if known):	Longitude / Easting / X		Latitude / Northing / Y (Datum =)		

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3. Ownership	
Name of Owner/s:	[REDACTED]
Contact person (explain relationship to property if not owner):	
Postal Address:	
	Suburb / Town: _____ Post Code: _____
Phone Number:	
Ownership History:	

4. Nominator (Your details)	
Your Name/s:	[REDACTED]
Organisation / Position:	[REDACTED]
Phone No:	[REDACTED]
Postal Address:	
	Suburb / Town: [REDACTED] Post Code: [REDACTED]
Email Address:	[REDACTED]

B. Description

5. Description of nominated place	
Description of the nominated place and its current condition:	Sturton Church was built by John and Henry Jeffries, who farmed the land before it was taken over by the Government to build the Salisbury Munitions Factory. It was built in 1856 so it is now 170 years old.
Are you aware of any modifications or additions to the place and can you provide dates for these changes?	According to the foundation stone, it was restored by the Commonwealth Government in 1943.
Do you believe there may be historical items under the ground, and do you think an archaeological investigation should be considered?	There is a small fenced graveyard with a few graves on the property.

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History of the nominated place:	Used as a place of worship, possibly until The Australian Government took over the site to build the Salisbury Munitions Factory circa 1940?
Historical sources used to support your nomination (please attach copies of pages from publications or newspaper articles as appropriate):	Oral history from a family member (I don't have his details). Details from the foundation stone as follows: "To the memory of John and Henry Jeffries Who came from Sussex, New Brunswick, Canada. Settled here in 1850, farmed this surrounding country And worshipped in this Methodist Church. Built 1856 Restored by the Commonwealth Government 1943. (Foundation stone) Erected by Hedley A. Jeffries 1945." Some information on the gravestones. Official history of the Salisbury Munitions Factory.

D. Heritage Significance

7. Statement of State significance - Why is this place important to the State of South Australia?

This place is of State Heritage significance because of its history in the Salisbury region. Early settlers were believers and having a church was important to their lifestyle.

Most pre WWII buildings in the vicinity no longer exist.

It is significant to descendants of the Jeffries family, and DSTO employees who have used it.

The building appears to be in good condition for its age.

8. Significance criteria

The South Australian *Heritage Places Act 1993* lists seven criteria by which a place is assessed. Please tick the criteria you feel the place demonstrates and explain your reasons.

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<input type="checkbox"/> It demonstrates important aspects of the evolution or pattern of the State's history.	Y
<input type="checkbox"/> It has rare, uncommon or endangered qualities that are of cultural significance.	
<input type="checkbox"/> It may yield information that will contribute to an understanding of the State's history, including its natural history.	
<input type="checkbox"/> It is an outstanding representative of a particular class of places of cultural significance.	
<input type="checkbox"/> It demonstrates a high degree of creative, aesthetic or technical accomplishment or is an outstanding representative of particular construction techniques or design characteristics.	
<input type="checkbox"/> It has strong cultural or spiritual associations for the community or a group within it.	Y
<input type="checkbox"/> It has a special association with the life or work of a person or organisation or an event of historical importance.	

E. Additional Information

9. Images, maps, diagrams, plans and photos

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A full range of images, maps, diagrams, plans and photos will help your nomination.

Please provide:

- a clear outline of the place being nominated within a map or plan
- high quality images of the place
- a list and description of the images being provided (including file name, subject, date created, author and copyright holder (if known))

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Paste images here or attach separately:

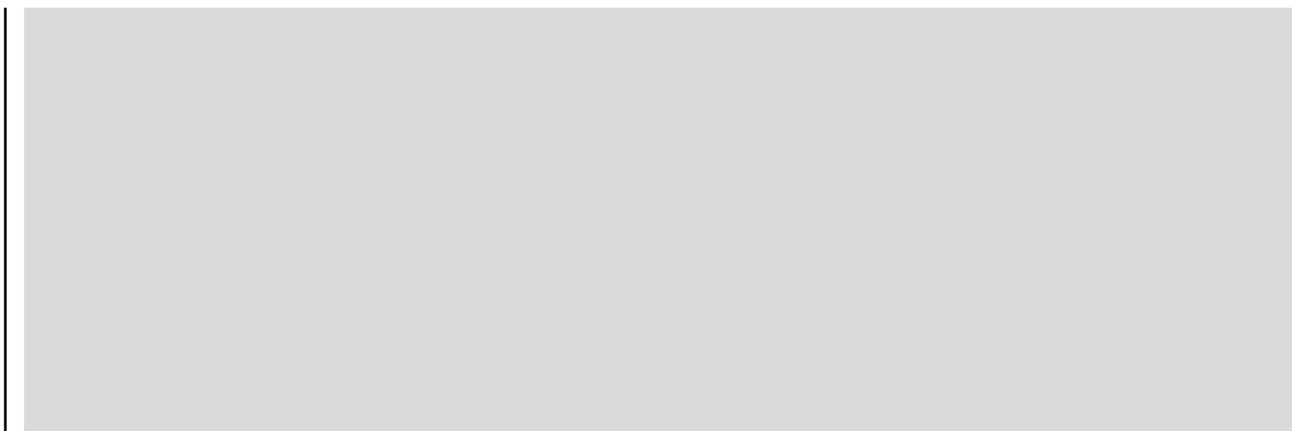




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The South Australian Heritage Council is committed to transparency in relation to the listing process and wishes to enhance public confidence in the nomination, listing and decision-making process. The Council's policy is to make nominations for State heritage listing and submissions on provisional entries publicly available via webpage or to interested parties. The Council will adhere to the Privacy Principles and your name and personal details will not be released, unless authorised or required under the privacy principles.

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I do / I do not want my personal details to be released when this nomination / submission is published on the Department for Environment and Water's webpage, noting the above requirements.

I, [REDACTED] nominate the following place

Sturton Methodist Church

for listing on the South Australian Heritage Register.

The information I have provided is correct to my knowledge.

Signature: [REDACTED]

Date: 11 April 2026

Nomination Form Checklist

Please check that your nomination includes:

- a clear indication of the place's location and significant elements within it, by marking points and boundary lines on a map; **Y**
- a history of the place explaining important aspects relevant to the nomination (which help supports arguments of cultural significance); **Y**
- a clear description of the nominated place; **Y**
- a Statement of Heritage Significance, explaining why the associated State Heritage Place is important to the State of South Australia; **Y**
- photograph/s of the object; **Y**
- Have you discussed your nomination with a heritage assessment officer before submitting? **No**

Please forward your nomination form to the

Board and Policy Officer, South Australian Heritage Council

Via email: DEWHeritage@sa.gov.au

Or via post: **GPO Box 1047, Adelaide SA 5001**