

Building:	Terrace	Significance:	B
Address:	57-63 Oxford Street, Collingwood	Melway Map Ref:	2C D11
Building Type:	Residence	Construction Date:	1873-78
Architect:	Unknown	Builder:	Unknown



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Existing Heritage Listings:		Recommended Heritage Listings:	
Victorian Heritage Register	[<input type="checkbox"/>]	Victorian Heritage Register	[<input type="checkbox"/>]
Register of the National Estate	[<input type="checkbox"/>]	Register of the National Estate	[<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>]
National Trust	[<input type="checkbox"/>]	Heritage Overlay Controls	[<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>]

History

The 1858 Hodgkinson map shows a small building on this site. As early as 1866, Richard Kefford, a contractor, owned three wooden houses here, living in the middle one. In 1869, they were described as 5, 4 and 2 room houses. By 1873, he had built another house, and in 1874, another. By 1875, Kefford owned four cottages, of which the northern two were of timber, and the southern two of brick, suggesting a construction date of 1873-74 for the latter pair. In 1878, he built a second brick pair, whilst himself occupying the last remaining of his wooden houses. This situation continued until at least 1891.¹

Andrew Ward. *Collingwood Conservation Study*. 1995.

Description

59-63 Oxford Street comprises two pairs of single storey, symmetrical, attached bichromatic brick houses built to the street alignment. The facade of each building has a pair of four-panelled timber doors with highlights, flanked by single timber-framed double hung sash windows with bluestone sills. The walls are of face red brick with a bluestone plinth, and with cream brick quoining to the building's corners, and to the door and window openings. The hipped corrugated iron roofs are partially concealed behind a modest brick parapet with a cream brick cornice and frieze.

Comparative Examples

Terrace, 10-16 Derby Street, Collingwood

51-55 Oxford Street, Collingwood

Significance

The terraces at 57-63 Oxford Street, Collingwood, are of local architectural significance. Despite their bichromatic brickwork, which is simple, yet considered, they are remarkably austere and unusually composed residential buildings. They form a visual unit with the adjacent building at Nos. 51-55, and make an important and interesting contribution to the streetscape.

Original Source

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¹ Collingwood Rate Books 1866, 1869, 1871, 1873, 1874, 1875, 1878, 1891.