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Building:	House	Significance:	В
Address:	1 Raphael Street, Abbotsford	Melway Map Ref:	2C J11
Building Type:	Residence	Construction Date:	1874
Architect:	Unknown	Builder:	Unknown



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Existing Heritage Listings:		Recommended Heritage Listing	s:	
Victorian Heritage Register	[]	Victorian Heritage Register	[]	
Register of the National Estate	[]	Register of the National Estate	[x]	
National Trust	[]	Heritage Overlay Controls	[x]	

History

In 1874 Shadrock Lambert, a bricklayer, built and occupied a brick house in Langridge Street on the south-west corner of Raphael Street. By 1887 the property had passed to Martha Lambert.¹ In 1892 James Steff, a builder, was tenant and by 1898 was owner/occupant of the property. By 1900 the owner/occupant of the property was Charlotte Steff.²

Andrew Ward. Collingwood Conservation Study. 1995.

Description

The house at 1 Raphael Street, Abbotsford, is a two storey single-fronted Italianate freestanding terrace-style brick house on a prominent site at the corner of Langridge Street. The walls are rendered, the two street elevations having ruled ashlar. On the east elevation, the ground floor has a door and a single window; the first floor two windows. The west elevation, on the street alignment of Langridge Street, has two windows at each level. All windows are single with moulded architraves and ornate bracketed sills, and there is a simple moulded string course at first floor level. The hipped roof has no eaves, is clad in non-original terracotta tiles, and is penetrated by a rendered chimney with moulded cap.

The timber picket fence may be original.

Significance

The house at 1 Raphael Street, Abbotsford, is of local architectural significance. It is an particularly elegant Italianate house, notable for the surface treatment, composition and detailing of its street elevations, and for the way the house addresses both Raphael and Langridge Streets. The significance of the house has been diminished by the replacement of the original roofing material—probably slate—with terracotta tiles.

Original Source

Andrew Ward. Collingwood Conservation Study. 1995.

¹ Rate Books 1874, 1887.

² Rate Books 1893, 1899, 1901.