

Building: Residence  
Address: 4 Abbotsford Street



Allotment Reference: 76  
National Estate Register: -  
Historic Buildings Council Register: -  
National Trust Register: -  
Location within Precinct: Collingwood Flat Precinct  
Photo Date August, 1988  
Grantee: C. J. Garrard, 13-2-1839  
Original Owner: Michael McGivern  
Present Owner: -

<b><u>Original Use:</u></b>	Residence
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<b><u>Construction Date:</u></b>	1858-1864
<b><u>Architect:</u></b>	
<b><u>Builder:</u></b>	
<b><u>Description:</u></b>	A distinctively detailed stuccoed cottage with gabled slated roof, ashlar markings and architrave moulds and with verandah to street alignment. The verandah has been rebuilt and may incorporate original detail. Forms a visual unit with adjoining Nos. 6-12 (q.v.).
<b><u>Condition:</u></b>	Good
<b><u>Integrity:</u></b>	Fair-Good
<b><u>History:</u></b>	<p>This house is not shown on Clement Hodgkinson's map of 1858.</p> <p>In 1864 Michael McGivern, engineer, owned and occupied this wood house to which he made a brick addition in 1868, (1864, 1868 RB).</p> <p>McGivern continued to own the property renting it to Abraham Forster, a poulterer in 1884. Owner/occupancy remained unchanged in 1888, (1884, 1889 RB).</p>
<b><u>Significance:</u></b>	No. 4 Abbotsford Street is locally important in that it relates to the initial post gold rush development phase on the Flat. Its distinctive detail enriches this precinct.
<b><u>Recommendations:</u></b>	Recommended for planning scheme protection.
<b><u>References:</u></b>	Rate Books
<b><u>Issue No. 1:</u></b>	September, 1988.