

Building: Residence
Address: 42 Abbotsford Street



Allotment Reference: Lot 76
National Estate Register: -
Historic Buildings Council Register: -
National Trust Register: -
Location within Precinct: -
Photo Date: June, 1988
Grantee: C.J. Garrard, 13-2-1839
Original Owner: Thomas Wilson
Present Owner: D.W. & J.M. Benham
Original Use: Residence
Present Use: Residence

Construction Date: 1873

Architect:

Builder: Thomas Wilson

Description: An unusually large two storeyed assymmetrical Italianate villa residence with stuccoed walls vermiculated quoins, chamfered reveals, bayed window, window hood with cast iron valance, two-storeyed cast iron verandah and black and white tiled floor.

Condition: Good

Integrity: Good. Barge replaced, roof tiles recent.

History: In 1867 Thomas Wilson, a builder, owned land between two wood houses he owned on the north side of Abbotsford Street, (1867 RB). In 1873 Wilson built a brick house there using it as his residence in 1879, (1873, 1874, 1879 RB). In 1884-1885 Henry Tolhurst, a surveyor, rented the house, however by 1888, Wilson lived there again and continued to do so in 1900, (1884, 1885, 1889, 1901 RB).

Significance: No. 42 Abbotsford Street is important at the local level as an exceptionally substantial Italianate villa on the Collingwood Flat, presumably built with the proceeds of Wilson's property development in Abbotsford Street (and elsewhere?). It is also of interest in that this building was occupied for a period by Henry Tolhurst, architect, and the Collingwood surveyor at the time.

Recommendations: Recommended for Planning Scheme protection.

References: - Rate Books

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