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## Timber Cottage



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### Location

40 Abbotsford Street, ABBOTSFORD VIC 3067 - Property No 110795

### Municipality

YARRA CITY

### Level of significance

Incl in HO area indiv sig

### Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO1

### Heritage Listing

Yarra City

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### Statement of Significance

Last updated on - January 1, 2008

The following wording is from the Allom and Lovell Building Citation, 1998 for the property. Please note that this is a "Building Citation", not a "Statement of Significance". For further information refer to the Building Citation held by the City of Yarra.

History:

By 1866 Thomas Wilson, a builder, had purchased land on the north side of Abbotsford Street, midway between Hunter and Paterson Streets. In 1867 he built two weatherboard houses in Abbotsford Street, including this two-roomed house at No. 42, which he occupied. The house was extended to four rooms two years later. In 1884-85 Henry Tolhurst, a surveyor, rented the house, however by 1888, Wilson once again used the property as his own residence, and continued to do so until 1901. The house remained in ownership of the Wilson family until World War One.

In 1873, Wilson erected a brick house at what is now 42 Abbotsford Street (see separate datasheet), and he lived there from 1879 until 1888.

#### Description:

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#### Significance:

The timber house at 40 Abbotsford Street is of local architectural significance. Its type, a double storey timber house, is very unusual within the municipality, and its Gothick details, in particular the timberwork, are of particular architectural note.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Yarra - City of Collingwood Conservation Study, Andrew Ward & Associates, 1989; Yarra - City of Collingwood Conservation Study, Andrew Ward & Associates, 1995; Yarra - City of Yarra Heritage Review, Allom Lovell & Associates, 1998; Yarra - City of Yarra Review of Heritage Overlay Areas, Graeme Butler & Associates, 2007;
Construction dates	1867,
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## Integrity

not assessed

*This place/object may be included in the Victorian Heritage Register pursuant to the Heritage Act 2017. Check the Victorian Heritage Database, selecting 'Heritage Victoria' as the place source.*

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