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# RAILWAY GATEKEEPER'S CABIN & GATES

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## Location

267 BRUNSWICK ROAD, BRUNSWICK, MORELAND CITY

## Municipality

MERRI-BEK CITY

## Level of significance

Incl in HO area indiv sig

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO180

## Heritage Listing

Merri-bek City

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## Statement of Significance

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The Brunswick Road Street Gatekeeper's Cabin and Gates are of state historical and technological Significance. They are one of the few remaining operational hand-operated sets of gates with adjacent original Gatekeeper's Cabin in Victoria.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Moreland - Keeping Brunswick's heritage: A Report on the Review of the Brunswick Conservation Study, Context Pty Ltd, 1990; Moreland - City of Moreland Heritage Review, Allen Lovell and Associates, 1999;
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## Physical Description 1

The Gatekeeper's Cabin at Brunswick Road is a small weatherboard cabin with a corrugated iron gabled roof. The single doorway is in the west elevation, facing the railway tracks. As at Albert Street and Brunswick Road, a separate skillion-roofed porch adjoins the south, and the west elevation has no verandah. A brick chimney penetrates the east gable. The north and south elevations are each penetrated by single timber-framed double-hung sash windows, and the porch has a wide horizontal window facing north. The main gable end has a timber finial.

A small flower garden and vegetable patch, tended by the gatekeeper, are adjacent to the cabin.

The Brunswick Road railway gates are constructed of white-painted timber, with five horizontal members and three vertical ones. The gates have diagonal iron bracing members. Much of the original picket fencing forming the pedestrian crossing remains.

Key Architectural Elements: simple timber cabin with gabled corrugated iron roof

Conservation Guidelines: repaint to original colour scheme to match other cabins on Upfield line

Comparative Examples: Gatekeeper's Cabins and Gates, Albert Street, Barkly Street and Park Street, Brunswick.

Principal Historic Themes: significant phases in the development of towns and suburbs; 19th century speculative building activity

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