

SEMI-DETACHED HOUSES

Address: 172 & 174 Gover Street
Certificate of Title: 5190/933; 5190/932

Use: Residences
**Childers East
Policy Area:** PA2
North Adelaide Historic (Conservation) Zone

Heritage Status: LHP
Other Assessments: LHP(T)
Conservation Reports: Nil



HISTORY AND DESCRIPTION:

This pair of houses is an excellent example of an 1870s-1880s double and single fronted semi-detached bluestone residence. It retains important stylistic elements including rendered quoins and facings to windows and doors, verandah with cast iron decorative brackets and eaves brackets.

The outline of this pair of houses is visible in Town Acre 904 in the Smith Survey of 1880. This pair of houses remains an important indication of the type of residences constructed at that time, and the use of South Australian bluestone as a building material.

STATEMENT OF HERITAGE VALUE:

This pair of houses is an important example of the type of residences constructed in North Adelaide during the 1870s-1880s, and reflects the design, details and building materials characteristic of that time.

The significant number of stone and brick residences, like this pair of houses, constructed between 1870 and 1890 throughout this section of the city, are an important element of the distinctive historic residential character of North Adelaide.

RELEVANT CRITERIA (under Section 23(4) of the *Development Act, 1993*):

- (a) This pair of houses displays historical and social themes that are of importance to North Adelaide as it represents the continued construction of residences on recently subdivided Town Acres, particularly during the 1870s and 1880s.
- (d) This pair of houses displays aesthetic merit and design characteristics of significance to North Adelaide as it is a typical 1870s Victorian semi-detached residence displaying consistent use of materials such as bluestone masonry walls, detailed render and decorative cast iron.

EXTENT OF LISTING:

External form, materials and details of this Victorian pair of double and single fronted residences, including the walls, verandah and roof form associated with the house style.

NOTE: The 'Description of Place and Elements of Heritage Value' listed in the Adelaide (City) Development Plan for this property is as follows:

Semi-detached houses
Frontage and side wall returns visible from the street

This is the legally recognised listing and should be used for the purposes of development application assessment

REFERENCES

- Smith Survey 1880