

ROW HOUSES

Address: 85, 87 & 87a Childers Street
Certificate of Title: 5183/255; 5381/313;
5448/988

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

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



HISTORY AND DESCRIPTION:

These attached houses are an excellent example of a row of 1840s-1860s simple workers cottages. They exhibit important stylistic elements including low scale and simple detailing indicative of their early date of construction. Houses of this period display gable ended roof form and are one or two rooms in depth.

Town Acre 923 was fully subdivided and developed by the time of the Smith Survey in 1880. The outline of this row of small cottages is visible on the Survey. These houses remain an important indication of the type of residences constructed at that time, and the use of rubble masonry and brick as a building material.

A significant number of small residences, like this row, remain from the earliest period of housing development in North Adelaide.

STATEMENT OF HERITAGE VALUE:

Residences, like these cottages, remaining from the earliest period of housing development in North Adelaide, are important examples of the type of houses constructed in the city during the process of settlement. They reflect the style, scale, materials and detail characteristic of dwellings of the 1850s, 1860s and early 1870s.

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

- (a) These houses display historical and social themes that are of importance to North Adelaide as they represent the initial settlement in the area and housing development in newly subdivided Town Acres.
- (d) These houses display aesthetic merit and design characteristics of significance to North Adelaide as they are typical c1860s residences displaying consistent use of materials such as masonry walls, low scale and simple form.

EXTENT OF LISTING:

External form, materials and details of this early Victorian row of residences, including the walls and roof form associated with the house style. Later second storey to 85 not included.

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

[Row 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