

## **214-216 LIVERPOOL ROAD: Shops and dwellings**

### **Brief description**

This early Federation-period Free Classical pair of shops and dwellings features the expected range of simple forms and attractive details. The building is rendered brick, with a prominent parapet surmounted by a central pediment. Originally there was a posted awning with a roofed balcony above the shops, which are presently occupied by two firms of real estate agents. There is now a suspended awning over the footpath.

### **Outline history**

The legend 'WC 1901' in the pediment signifies the origin of this building. It was erected for William Chipperfield, who owned the store that preceded it on this site. It was tenanted in 1903 by Thomas Wood, tailor, but from 1905 the tenancies changed frequently and included an auctioneer, a hardware merchant, a confectioner and the Farmers' Co-operative Society. It seems that the two occupancies were divided in 1943: No 214 was bought in 1943 by Frank Dennett, dental surgeon. No 216 was bought in 1932 by John Graham, boot store proprietor, who sold on to Clare Allum, estate agent, in 1937.

### **Reason for listing**

An attractive component of a small group of compatible townscape elements. Its retail history extends back more than a century. It has excellent possibilities of streetfront reinstatement. *Criteria (a), (c), (e).*

### **Other relevant documentation**

Rate Books, 1901-05; Valuer-General's records, 1908-55, in Ashfield Council Archives. *Sands Directories.*



*Nos 214-216 are in the centre of this view*