

AD 2001 Ashfield Heritage Study Review of Areas Zoned 2(a)

Name of Item Semi-detached pair of residences	Reference N° 1 09 01																								
Other Names 'Oxford' and 'Cambridge'																									
Address 3 & 5 Joseph Street Locality Ashfield Postcode	Land Title																								
Item Type Building Group Name	Owner/s																								
Statement of Significance These houses, built in 1887, are in some respects typical of Victorian terrace houses, yet they are unusual in having been erected on wider blocks which allowed both to have side driveways. Both are in reasonably original condition and thus demonstrate an Ashfield housing type of 120 years ago.	Condition as observed from street — <input type="checkbox"/> Intact Minor alteration — <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sympathetic <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unsympathetic Major alteration — <input type="checkbox"/> Sympathetic <input type="checkbox"/> Unsympathetic Modifications — No 3 has a picket fence and No 5 a modern palisade. See description for other changes.																								
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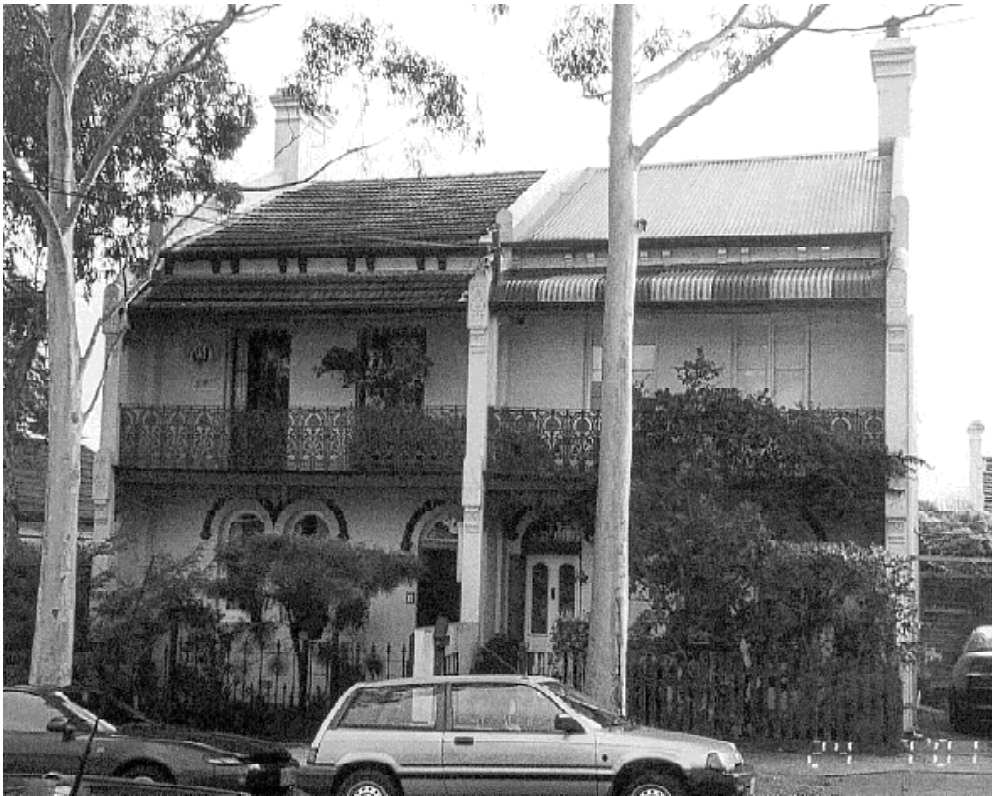


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Current Use Semi-detached pair of houses, 3 and 5 Joseph Street, Ashfield	Reference N° 1 09 01
Heritage Listing Recommended	
Themes : Local Subdivision and consolidation The Boom Years	Themes : State Towns, suburbs and villages
<p>Historical Notes</p> <p>This pair was erected on part of lots 17, 18 and 19 of Freshwaters Estate. Joseph Freshwater owned all the land (unimproved) between Arthur & Norton.(1) By 1887 he had built these houses and he also owned the one next door, where he lived.(2) The valuation register of 1908 indicates that both houses were owned by the estate of L Freshwater and that No 3, 'Oxford Villa', was occupied by William Vincent, foreman, and No 5, 'Cambridge Villa', by Mary Doyle, domestic duties.(3) In 1910, Stephen Wright occupied No 3 and in 1909 Charles Handkin occupied No 5. Alfred Moore was occupant of No 3 from about 1911 to 1931, but the tenancy of No 5 changed several times before Mrs Sara B Wilson became occupier in 1925.(4) By 1928 both houses were recorded as being owned by D Croak, c/o J A Sommerville & Co, Ashfield. In that year 'Oxford' was valued at £228 (unimproved) and £725 (improved) while the value of 'Cambridge' was £240 (unimproved) and £725 (improved)(5).</p>	
<p>Physical Description</p> <p>A pair of two-storey Victorian Filigree terrace type houses built of brick, with fronts only rendered and lined in simulation of ashlar. They are erected on allotments wide enough to permit a driveway beside each dwelling. No 3 has a corrugated metal roof with a bullnosed roof over the verandah, while No 5 has a concrete tile roof and a tiled skillion verandah. Each house has arched openings with label moulds. Ground floor windows are paired and upstairs, two pairs of French doors open on the the verandah. The cast iron balcony balustrade iron has the lily design which was registered in 1883 by A T Rees & Co.(6) The party wall extends above the roof as a parapet and the main eaves have bracket motifs. The firewalls have eaves-stops. The chimneys are rendered and have corniced tops with pots.</p>	
<p>Information Sources</p> <p>(1) Rate Book, South Ward, 1886. Ashfield Council Archives. (2) Rate Book, <i>ibid</i>, 1887, Nos 820-21. (3) Council valuation register. (4) <i>Sands Directories</i>, 1900 to 1932-33. (5) Valuation register, 1928, N°s 1108-09. (6) Turner, <i>Australia's Iron Lace</i> (Allen & Unwin, Sydney, 1985) p 180.</p>	