

## **TERRACE HOUSES 12-24 Waltham Place**

### **History and Description**

Seven two storey red brick terrace houses erected in 1890 as a speculative venture for Edward Miller, son of Henry 'Money' Miller, the prominent Victorian landowner and politician. The architect was H.M. Parlett. The site is adjacent to the former Bedggood Shoe Factory and part of a large parcel of land acquired by Henry Miller in 1845.

The houses, purportedly erected as accommodation for workers employed at the Bedggood Shoe Factory, are unusually austere and utilitarian structures enhanced by modest ornamentation. They have been partially defaced by painting of ground floor walls and by the removal of iron freizes and fences.

### **Statement of Significance**

An austere group of terrace houses which, as in Britain, are the products of the ambiguous philanthropy of the industrial magnates who owned them.

### **References**

National Trust of Australia (Vic.) F.N. 3255.  
National Estate Register citation.  
Argus, Tender Notices 14.9.1889.