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| Building: | Queens Terrace | Significance: | B |
| Address: | 9-15 Crown Street, Richmond | Melway Map Ref: | 2H F5 |
| Building Type: | Residence | Construction Date: | 1887? |
| Architect: | Unknown | Builder: | Unknown |



Intactness:

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Condition:

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Existing Heritage Listings:

Victorian Heritage Register []
 Register of the National Estate []
 National Trust []

Recommended Heritage Listings:

Victorian Heritage Register []
 Register of the National Estate [x]
 Heritage Overlay Controls [x]

History

The central pediment of Queens Terrace, 9-17 Crown Street, Richmond, bears the date 1890. From 1887, buildings at this location are listed in the *Directories*; from at least 1895, these houses are numbered Nos. 9-17. Rate Books of 1886 show land measuring 160' owned by William Moore and valued at £48. The following year, five houses valued at an average of £21 are shown on the site. In 1888, all are shown as owned by agents McKenzie & Ballard. The Rate Books are somewhat unclear, however, as from 1887 until at least 1910, the houses are listed as being constructed of wood, but the names of their occupants correspond with the *Directories*' listing, suggesting that the dwellings referred to are, indeed, Queens Terrace.¹

Description

Queens Terrace is a two-storey Italianate brick terrace. The ground floor facades appear to have originally been face brick, although all are now painted, and the first floor facades are rendered and decorated with paired Ionic pilasters. Side walls are of face red brick. Windows are double-hung sashes; those on the first floor are embellished with simple pilasters and segmental arched pediments. Each house has a convex-profile verandah between two brick wing walls with rendered copings. The single-storey verandahs have decorative cast iron lacework friezes. The only other decoration are single rosettes above the windows and beneath curved hood moulds, and decorative rectangular vents flanking each window. There is a plain parapet with simple cornice, crowned by a shallow central triangular pediment bearing the words QUEENS TERRACE 1890.

Nos. 9 and 11 retain original iron picket fences.

Significance

Queens Terrace is of local architectural significance. The row is one of the few two-storey residential terraces in the north-east of Richmond. Architecturally, it is a restrained composition which incorporates classical elements at first floor level, pilasters and window dressings, which are relatively rare on otherwise modest dwellings. The row is a prominent heritage element in a streetscape in a residential pocket of Richmond which has otherwise been substantially eroded by 20th century industrial buildings.

¹ Richmond Rate Books, 1886, 1887, 1888, 1890. *Sands & McDougall Directory*, 1885, 1886, 1887, 1888, 1889, 1890, 1895, 1899, 1900, 1910, 1920.