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# Clifden House(s)

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## Location

27-29 Wattletree Road ARMADALE, Stonnington City

## Municipality

STONNINGTON CITY

## Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO251

## Heritage Listing

Stonnington City

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## Statement of Significance

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*27 and 29 Wattletree Rd were built in 1891 for an investor, and number 27 occupied by the Church of England from an early period.*

27 and 29 Wattletree Road are of regional significance for their unusual configuration and ecclesiastical character. The buildings are joined between the front verandahs in the manner of a terrace house, and are unusual for the separate verandah design, and the ecclesiastical character of the gable trusses.

### Physical elements that contribute to this significance are:

- projecting gables
- chimneys
- gable truss (number 29 only)
- cement rendered mouldings
- arched window openings, and double hung windows to bays
- two storeyed front and side verandahs with cast iron frieze and balustrade (front verandah only number 27)

Heritage Study/Consultant	Stonnington - Stonnington Heritage Strategy - Stage 6, Nigel Lewis Pty Ltd, 1998; Stonnington - City of Malvern Heritage Study, Nigel Lewis and Richard Aitken P/L, 1992;
Construction dates	1891,
Other Names	27&29 Wattletree Road, Armadale,
Hermes Number	31144
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## Physical Description 1

A pair of conjoined two storeyed houses, with two storey verandahs on the front and side of number 29, separated by the projecting front bay. The buildings are joined between the front verandahs in the manner of a terrace house. Only the front veranda remains on number 27. The pair are finished in render with elaborate cornices and quoins. The rear wall is face red brickwork. The two projecting bays on each house are gabled, and number 29 has retained the gable trusses. The front bay is canted and has a separate roof below the gable truss.

Arched headed windows with rendered. architraves are used for the principal windows, including the rear bay.

## Integrity

These buildings are substantially intact other than the slate roof being replaced with terracotta tiles, and high masonry front fences and gates of a later unsympathetic character. No 29 is the more intact of the two, the loss of finial and changes to windows on the front verandah being the only other major items, as well as a sympathetic garage at the rear. By contrast, No 27 has suffered the complete removal of the original gable end detailing, the virtual removal of the side verandah and the carport which intrudes into the area opposite where the side verandah was removed.

## Local Historical Themes

8.2.2 'Country in the city' - suburban development in Malvern before 1920 3.3.3 Speculation and land boomers - subdivision from 1880s onwards

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