

Sheendale Road Conservation Area 50

Designation

Conservation area designated:
14.06.1988

Conservation area extended:
27.04.2004

Location

OS Sheets: 1875

Sheendale Road conservation area lies East of Richmond Centre, between Lower Mortlake Road to the North and the railway line to the South.

History and Development

This area is a mid 19th century residential development of small villas, built on formerly open fields following the arrival of the railways in Richmond. These streets follow the line of the old field boundary. The immediate area was subjected to extensive demolition and redevelopment in the 1950s-60s and later more sympathetic development on Sheendale Road itself.

Character

Sheendale Road conservation area is a small and distinctive development of attractive and largely unspoilt semi-detached miniature villas. This group of houses line Sheendale Road and include a contemporary group of similar villas on Crown Terrace, since isolated from the main group by later 20th century developments. There is a clear vista South along the road enclosed by a building line of tightly packed paired villas set behind well planted front gardens and low front boundary walls. These houses have a consistent scale and formal character of two storeys with simple yellow stock brick or rendered facades. They display moulded window surrounds, quoins and vertical lines dividing each pair, with traditional sliding sash windows. They have a dentil cornice to projecting eaves, under shallow hipped slate roofs with shared chimneys. The original houses are entered by recessed single storey side porches, allowing gaps between houses at first floor level. Crofton Terraces now provides an access road to the rear of these properties.

Problems and Pressures

- Loss of traditional architectural features and materials due to unsympathetic alterations
- Loss of front boundary treatments and front gardens for car parking
- Lack of coordination and poor quality of street furniture and flooring

Opportunity for Enhancement

- Preservation, enhancement and reinstatement of architectural quality and unity
- Retain and enhance front boundary treatments and discourage increase in the amount of hard surfacing in front gardens
- Coordination of colour and design and improvement in quality of street furniture and flooring

Scale: N.T.S.



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