has arrived, it may be that Banbury offers a surviving example of the design and tenure bridge between Birmingham's working class origins and the villa-owning middle class which rapidly infiltrated the movement. The contrast between the points-of-the-compass titled terraced streets and the servants' quarters designed into the Middleton Road houses are representative.

As significant elements in inner town housing stock, now recognised increasingly for conservation, there are also important contemporary questions to be asked concerning appropriate changes and infill. A comparative study of current condition and proposals would certainly assist local authorities responsible for Freehold areas.

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