

5 HAYLE AVENUE, MUSGRAVE, BEREA DURBAN

1) Historical Significance: (Below obtained from the internet)

- a) The Berea is a ridge above the city of Durban, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa on the northern side which overlooks the city centre and the Indian Ocean. Berea is also used as a collective designation for the suburbs in the area.^[1] It has been described as the area between the Howard College Campus of the University of KwaZulu-Natal, and the Burman Bush Nature Reserve.^[2]
- b) Some of the oldest mansions in Durban were built in this once forested area. Today, many of these have been converted into offices or made way for apartment buildings. The Berea was once the most expensive real estate area in the province but is now third to Umhlanga and Durban North.
- c) The two main areas of the Berea are Musgrave and upper Glenwood which are separated by the N3 Western Freeway highway which leads into the city centre.
- d) Places of interest include Musgrave Shopping Centre, Clifton School, Durban Girls' College, Durban High School and Maris Stella, Mitchell Park, the botanical gardens and the Howard College campus of the University of KwaZulu-Natal.
- e) A related neighbouring area designation is Overport.
- f) Some famous Durbanites who have called Berea their home include cricketer Andrew Hudson, radio personality Alan Khan, TV presenter Imraan Vagar, business legend Arnold Zillman, medical expert Dr Rahim Ballim and supermodel Georgina Grenville amongst others.
- g) The Berea borders the orange-roofed Durban suburb of Morningside.

2) Architectural Significance:

Typical 1930's design – suspended timber floor, high pitched 30 degree roof, Bay windows and roof supporting columns framing road facing verandah.

3) Urban Setting & Adjoining Properties:

- a) Residential zoning consisting of many single, double and triple storey Homesteads and Parks a plenty.
- b) Approx. 1 Km from Davenport Shopping Centre.
- c) Approx. 1 km from Musgrave Shopping Centre.
- d) 500m from "Light commercial" small complex in Vause Road.
- e) Stone throw from Durban High School "DHS" and Berea Sport Ground (Popular Essenwood Road / Saturdays "Flea Market" venue)

4) Motivation for proposed work:

Additional bedroom to existing 2 bedrooms home required for growing family.

5) Details of proposed work: (see attached Plan No. 326 Sheet 1 and 2)

- a) First storey steel frame construction consisting of a bedroom and an open plan mes added to existing ground storey brick & mortar dwelling.
- b) Carport for additional Family Car (Aluminium Awning)
- c) Under cover pool patio (Aluminium awning)