C. SIGNIFICANCE:

1. Original date of construction:

1923

The Legislative Council and Assembly building complex was built in 1896, to which it is related.

2. Historical Significance :

The building is part of the Legislative complex and housed the Law Library and Council Chambers. It is part of the historical fabric of Pietermaritzburg.

3. Architectural Significance:

The architectural style is of the Union Period with a facebrick plinth, plastered walls above ground floor lintols, steel window frames throughout and timber doors at main entrances. Detail is in the internal decor and finishes with facebrick fireplaces, moulded ceilings and cornices. The facade is symmetrical with a centre portico entrance and colonnaded balcony over. The roof is clay tiles and hipped with timber eaves detail brackets.

4. Urban Setting & Adjoining Properties :

It is located on Change Lane which is a pedestrian Lane, now closed to the public for security reasons. Change Lane runs from Langalibelele st (Longmarket) to Church street and Timber St. Part of the first floor of the building is visible from Langalibelele street. It is joined at first floor level to the building at 17 Change Lane.

The adjoining properties are mixed use, double storey and in an area that is very built up.



D. PROPOSED WORK

1. Purpose of Application: RECONSTRUCTION AND ALTERATION (after fire damage)

2. Motivation for proposed work:

A fire damaged and destroyed parts of the building in October 2015, exact date unknown. most of the first floor and roof was burnt. The rest of the building not damaged by fire was damaged by water and falling debris.

The user wishes to reconstruct and restore the building as it was.

Small alterations to the existing toilets and kitchen are proposed to make it comply with current regulations.

3. Detail the work to be carried out:

After my inspection in January 2016 I recommended that the building be cleared of debris and dried out, but tendering processes have prohibited a cleaning contractor from being appointed. Therefore we do not know the extent of the damage to the structure.

For budgeting and contract purposes the contract has been measured and recorded as a rebuild rather than a restoration. ie. the documentation reflects that the first floor is to be rebuilt entirely.

However, the intention is to make an assessment of the structure at the beginning of the contract, after the debris has been cleared. All brickwork that is sound will be stabilized and retained and plastered to match existing. Fittings and fixtures that can be reinstated will be stored for reuse.

New finishes and fittings are specified to replace what was existing and to comply with current regulations.

Refer to drawings attached : Dwg numbers : 057929-S01-101 L01-001, 101-A, 102, L01-201 to 214 L01-215 RevA L01-216-217

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