



Viewpoint

This is how historic Flight House will appear if New Plymouth City Council plans go ahead.

The council has approved plans to site the house in Hine St where it can be used to establish an artist-in-residency scheme.

The plan has been open for objections for a week, and town planning officer Ian Dudding

## Plans to place historic house in Hine St

says so far none have been received. Objections close on December 21.

The proposal was put forward by Govett-Brewster Art Gallery director Cheryl Sotheran.

She says it is an exciting one which will allow New Plymouth the opportunity to open the first

international artist-in-residency programme in the country.

The programme is designed to provide accommodation for artists while they are working on special projects.

It will cost about \$15,000 to relocate the house in Hine St.

The house for New Ply-

mouth's first Justice of the Peace Josiah Flight was built in 1868 of vertical board and batten construction with a solid kauri floor.

It has recently been restored by Taranaki Polytechnic students and the polytechnic now wants it removed from its site.