

Auckland Regional Council – Parks Artist in Residence 2010 Accommodation: Barr Cottage

Barr Cottage is situated between Karamatura and Little Huia, at 1368 Little Huia Road, a 40km, 50 min drive from Auckland CBD. It was rebuilt in the late 1930s using materials from the original Barr cottage of the late 1880s, which once stood alongside.

It is bach-like, though has been recently been upgraded. It is small but comfortable and cosy with an outstanding view and proximity to the beach (across the road). There is easy access to the Waitakere Ranges Regional Park especially to Karamatura.

Bedroom

- 3 bedrooms: a queen sized bed in one room and two single beds in the other bedrooms.

Living

- Comfortable. Sofas, coffee table etc. No TV or radio.
- Has space heater/fire box set into original fireplace
- Dining room part of open plan living room - wooden dining table and chairs seats six.

Kitchen and bathroom

- Basic bach style but well equipped
- Bath, shower and separate toilet.

Outside

- Small area of lawn/garden around the cottage.
- French doors to front veranda
- Flat, small site with low picket fencing around it.

Context

- Lovely setting opposite the beach and view to Manukau Harbour
- Set right beside the road to Little Huia (a potential safety issue a for an artist with children)
- Close to Huia and Karamatura walks and about 7km (winding narrow road) to Whatipu.
- Huia shop several kms away sells some takeaway foods and basic supplies. Closest service town with supermarket, gallery and library is Titirangi.
- Double garage/shed to work in
- Land line phone possible
- Standard domestic power supply
- Water – tank supply, boil for drinking

