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LETTERS

Albert Park fast becoming a slum area ^{in fact}

SIR, — A friend bought a plot of land on the coast and planned to build a weekend shack.

To his dismay, he found he wasn't allowed to, because certain standards were required. His neighbours refused to have their properties developed by a slum-like shack.

We in Albert Park are seething, not because our neighbours are black but because the neighbourhood is becoming so rotten and downgraded and dangerous.

If strict standards are enforced at a paltry coastal resort, surely it is doubly important to maintain high standards in the centre of Durban!

It is very inefficient town planning to create a slum in the heart of the city. How do you reverse a situation you have allowed to get out of hand?

Mr Maharaj is a multi-millionaire and yet he has done nothing to upgrade the buildings he owns in this area. He should upgrade his building to conform with the high standards of the area, or get out.

Before the Group Areas Act came into being, we had a neighbour who was an Indian doctor. He was an ideal neighbour. The family was considerate and refined and his home and grounds were immaculate.

The Nats have already lost my vote. Their swan song was "we live in your area, we know your problems". What are they doing about those problems? Where is the neighbourhood watch and the police patrol?

There are many decent people still living in this area and all the negative press reports smears us all. Soon it will be as disgraceful to admit living in Albert Park as it is to live in Point Road.

HAD ENOUGH, Albert Park

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