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MEMO OF MEETING

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| Project: | ROBBEN ISLAND MUSEUM (RIM): ALPHA 1: Recreational Lounge |
| Project number: | 1030901S |
| Date: & Time | 2019.01.30 08:40 – 09:20 |
| Venue: | Meeting Room, Admin Block, RIM Maximum Prison |
| Compiled by: | Frik Lange (CSM: Architect) |

The attendance register for this meeting is attached, the attendees where:

- Frik Lange CSM, Architect
- Refilwe Mphane RIM, Project Manager: Marketing and Tourism
- Grant Shezi Ex-Political Prisoner (EPP)
- Tom Moses EPP
- Dede Ntsoeleyoe EPP
- Itumeleng Makwela EPP
- Thulani Mabaso EPP
- Ntoza Talakumeni EPP

(The meeting was recorded with the verbal consent of all attendees and the digital file was sent to RIM and a copy is on file at CSM)

1. The meeting was arranged by RIM in order to consult with EPPs and to provide them with insight into the concept for the upgrading of the current Alpha 1 facility. This is a concise summary of the meeting that took place. Following introductions, copies of the

concept proposal as prepared by CSM Consulting was distributed and the architect gave a quick explanation of the concept.

2. Meeting discussions are as follows:

- EPPs expressed concerns that RIM is consulting them late in the process and emphasised that consultation should have happened when the idea was initially conceptualised. Furthermore, they mentioned that RIM should consult widely with the relevant stakeholders such as the many other EPPs who were detained on the Island, former prison warders, RIM tour guides who are not EPPs and members of the public.
- During the architect's presentation it was stated that the design concept is not final and EPPs still have an opportunity to make inputs. It was pointed out that the purpose of the proposed project is just an extension to improve the current facility through the provision of items such as seating, shade and better toilet facilities. The presentation highlighted items such as the view and the choices of materials. Existing buildings would be minimally changed.
- An EPP indicated that the specific site was not really frequented by prisoners as they were not allowed at the facility
- EPPs' concerns also centered around the impact of the proposal on the current Island tour. The current Island tour incorporates a stop at Alpha 1 but the EPPs highlighted that there is a need to limit the time that visitors spend there because delays at the site result in tour guides having to rush through the rest of the tour.
- It was confirmed that RIM does not intend on changing the nature of the tour as the tour already incorporates a stop at Alpha 1. The facility would however also serve as an additional stand-alone attraction that can draw visitors who may not want to go on the traditional Island tour and just want a space where they can relax and reflect, enjoy refreshments and take in the views.
- An EPP suggested that RIM should consider using and showcasing the kitchen where prisoners' food was prepared and the food they ate.



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- It was mentioned by one participant that they would have liked an agenda for the meeting but R Mphane confirmed that an agenda was indeed sent at an earlier date
- It was emphasised that the design should have minimal visual impact.
- It was noted that one of the participants was concerned about possible impact on the penguins on the Island.
- The extreme weather elements on the island was raised, it was pointed out to the participants that in order to provide sheltered facilities, more complex construction would have to be contemplated which would result in much more heritage impact. The proposed facility does however include indoor seating.

In summary, it was said that as it stands, there is no buy-in and the EPPs are not endorsing the design at this stage and that earlier engagement would have been better. They are however not condemning the concept.

3. The meeting adjourned at 09:20.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'F Lange', written over a horizontal line.

Signed: F Lange



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EX-POLITICAL PRISONERS CONSULTATION MEETING: ALPHA 1 PROJECT




Date: 30 January 2019

Time: 08:00 to 09:00

Venue: Robben Island Museum (RIM)

ATTENDANCE REGISTER

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