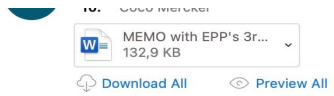




MEMORY AND LANDSCAPE PERMIT APPLICATION

EPP consultation and presentation

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Begin forwarded message:

From: Coco Merckel <cocomerckel@gmail.com>
Subject: Consultation with EPPs
Date: 03 April 2019 at 3:28:10 PM SAST
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Good Day All

As agreed by all present at the consultation meeting with EPP's today please find attached the Memo which serves as the working tool for consultation between the creative team and the EPP's.

Printed copies of this Memo will be made available asap for all EPP's to give input which will serve as the starting point for planned ongoing consultation as outlined in the Memo.

Thanks in advance,
Regards,
Coco

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Begin forwarded message:

From: Kwena Mokwena <stevekwenamokwena@gmail.com>

Subject: Thank you for the consultation with Guiding Officers - 1st Group

Date: 19 February 2020 at 10:48:11 PM SAST

To: Dede Ntsoelongwe <DedeN@robben-island.org.za>

Cc: Ayanda Woji <Ayandaw@robben-island.org.za>, Thabo Seshoka <ThaboS@robben-island.org.za>, Unathi Jonashé-Fikizolo <unathij@robben-island.org.za>, Ziyapila Q <ZiyapilaQ@robben-island.org.za>, Coco Merckel <cocomerckel@gmail.com>, Dumisani Mwandhla <dumisanim@robben-island.org.za>, Thulani Mabaso <Thulanim@robben-island.org.za>, Vusumuzi Bila <VusumuziB@robben-island.org.za>, Vuyo Mfanekiso <VuyoM@robben-island.org.za>

Dear Dede,

Thank you very much for arranging such an engaging and honest discussion.

First we are grateful for the contributions of the group. Mr Mahala, Bra Dumisani, Bra Tom, Bra Sparks, Bra Zim, Brother Henry and yourself.

I wish to use this email to restate our apology for acting on the MSP and moving things in F and G section without consultation. We are here to serve you and we will do what it takes to make sure that exhibitions are tools for you to bring the prison alive.

We are affirmed by your counsel, that we go gently on our programme. We agree with your suggestion that we start first with the Admin, the Armory, The Reception, Section B courtyard and recreation room, C Section and one cell in the sections. We like the concept of introducing the new 'exhibition' language slowly in the areas not currently in use is important. As we refine those, we will then extent to other areas.

Thank you for your insights and inputs on how how to work on the cell in G Section as an example of how our exhibition methodology is going to enhance the way the Guiding Officer use space and artifacts. So instead of doing all of F and G, we will do a section of G and make that work to everyones satisfaction before we transform all the other cell. This good for everyone.

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Thank you very much for the progress.

Peace

Kwena

CONSULTATION CORRESPONDENCE



From: Kwena Mokwena <stevekwenamokwena@gmail.com>
Subject: Re: Consultation with Guiding Officers - 2nd Group
Date: 27 February 2020 at 1:15:22 PM SAST
To: Dede Ntsoelongwe <DedeN@robben-island.org.za>
Cc: Coco Merckel <cocomerckel@gmail.com>

Will Do

Thank you

On Thu, 27 Feb 2020 at 10:29, Dede Ntsoelongwe <DedeN@robben-island.org.za> wrote:

Dear Kwena

I'm in the process of writing a report on the two meeting and also a letter to the Executives on our proposed meeting about the "state of the MSP"

Could you kindly as you did with the first group please urgently send me your thoughts on the group 2 meeting and its outcomes.

That will be much appreciated on my side

Sincerely
Dede

From: Kwena Mokwena <stevekwenamokwena@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 19, 2020 10:48:11 PM
To: Dede Ntsoelongwe
Cc: Ayanda Woji; Thabo Seshoka; Unathi Jonashe-Fikizolo; Ziyapila Z. Qwele; Coco Merckel; Dumisani Mwandhla; Thulani Mabaso; Vusimuzi Bila; Vuyo Mfanekiso
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MEMO WITH EPP'S

Dear Colleagues,

Following a meeting between the Creative Team, Vuyo Mfanekiso and Mr Siphon Msomi and Mr Dede Ntsoelengoe, it was agreed that given the difficulties of convening all EPP-tour guides, this memo shall serve as the primary tool of consultation between Creative Team the EPP's working in the MSP. The memorandum will spell out the envisaged exhibitions for the Maximum Security Prison.

The EPP guides will then raise their objections, agreements or additions. In the discussion held, the following points were raised

First, the EPP guides would like to be consulted when exhibitions are installed and opened, as visitors look to them to provide an even experience. This was mentioned with specific reference to work being done in the Kitchen.

3rd April 2019

From: Kwena Mokwena (curator- Creative Team) and
Coco Merckel (producer – Creative Team)

- Att: Bafo Nguqu, Dede Ntsoelengoe, Siphon Msomi, Itumeleng Makwela, Ntoza, Jama, Ntando, Thulani Mabaso, Grant Shezi, Dumisani.

- CC: Dr Moleboheng Mohapi, Pascall Taruvinga and Mava Dada

MEMO WITH EPP'S CONT.



Secondly, the EPP guides would like to caution against the creation of a 'new glossy look' when painting the prison. Service providers must be briefed about the look and feel of the prison. T

The following points capture the key changes that will be implemented by the creative team.

- Updating the Exhibitions at Jetty One (put in stories of what the prisoners felt like in the space)
- Creating Compelling Exhibitions at NMG that prepare the visitor
- Creating appropriate material for the boats that set the right tone (standardised videos and branding materials)



MEMO WITH EPP'S CONT.

- Arrival at Murrays Harbour (restore exhibition of prisoners of 1962)
- NB Remove the accessibility railings that change the space
- Exhibition of the Visitor's Centre
- Inside the MSP –
- The Administration Building
- Open the Armoury, and Place Guns ,
- Open the Reception Office and Exhibit what was there when the prisoners arrived,
- Open the Censor's Office and exhibit what was there
- Open the Hospital and show what was there
- (NB remove the accessibility railing in the hospital courtyard)
- Restore the cleanliness and simplicity of the Courtyards
- Let Section B tell its own story (rethink the furniture and the periods)
restore the sense of all the leaders who were kept in Section B (honour all those who were here by expanding the narrative with pictures and names of those who were there)
- Restore the cleanliness of the Section B courtyard and tell its stories (of the 1970s group)
- Install video and projections in Section C
- Create a landscape garden where the Jeff Masemola sculptures were (install the pictures of the Jeff Masemola sculptures)



MEMO WITH EPP'S CONT.

- D Section (use video testimony and set up the cell as a it might have been.)
 - E Section (open E Section and let it tell the story of the 1980's and closing years of the prison.)
 - F and G Section (consider the placement of furniture and artefacts to reflect the time and the people who where there.)
 - Create appropriate labels and interpretive panels in the MSP to give extra information. (labels, signage and electronic tablets)
 - The Kitchen (work to open the Kitchen as part of the main tour in consultation with the EEP-tour guides who worked in the kitchen.)
- Create and exhibition of sports in prison by the fields.
 - *Mark all important spaces of memory especially placed where bones have been found*

MEETING REGISTER



MEETING SIGN-IN SHEET	
Meeting: Guiding Officers and Creative Team	
Meeting Date: 19 th February 2020	Time: 10H00-13H00
Organizer: Heritage Department	Place/Room: MSP Boardroom

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MEETING REGISTER



MEETING SIGN-IN SHEET

Meeting: Guiding Officers and Creative Team

Meeting Date: 26th February 2020

Time: 9H00-12H00

Organizer: Heritage Department

Place/Room: MSP Boardroom

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