



**PARLIAMENT PRECINCT: GOOD HOPE BUILDING**

**PERMIT REQUIREMENTS: RECTIFICATION OF DAMP & MOULD IN OFFICES**

**DATE: 12 – 12 – 2022**

**1. INTRODUCTION**

Parliament issued a request from Directorate: Prestige via the office of Director Projects Cape Town to Professional Services, to assist with assessing the existing carpets in the Passages and providing recommendations on replacements. The current carpets were installed 6 years ago when the building underwent a refurbishment. The carpets are regrettably damaged with stains and unravelling of the joints. The light colour of the carpets is not suitable for the high traffic area.

The aim of this submission is to obtain approval/a permit from the South African Heritage Resources Agency (SAHRA) for the following:

- To replace the current carpets with a carpet which has a better suitable specification and colour for the high traffic area.

**2. STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**

Good Hope Building occupies ERF 95165 and ERF 95219 which is situated next to the Tuynhuys Building – which is the office of the President. These building overlook and frame the prestigious Company Gardens. The Good Hope building houses office spaces, committee rooms, board rooms and the chamber which are used by Presidential office, Ministers, diplomats etc.

The Cape Town Parliament Precinct is deemed a Grade 1 Heritage Resource. It was declared a National Heritage Site by the South African Heritage Resources Agency. Such heritage sites are protected under the terms of Section 27 of the National Heritage Resources Act, which means that no changes may be done on such sites without a permit. The building is also subject to Section 34(1) of the National Heritage Resources Act which controls any alterations and/or demolitions to buildings older than 60 years.

**3. PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

The Department of Public Works & Infrastructure (DPWI), being the custodian of national immovable assets, which includes the Parliamentary Precinct, is tasked to undertake the

restorative and refurbishment works of all the structures and infrastructures located within the Parliamentary precinct.

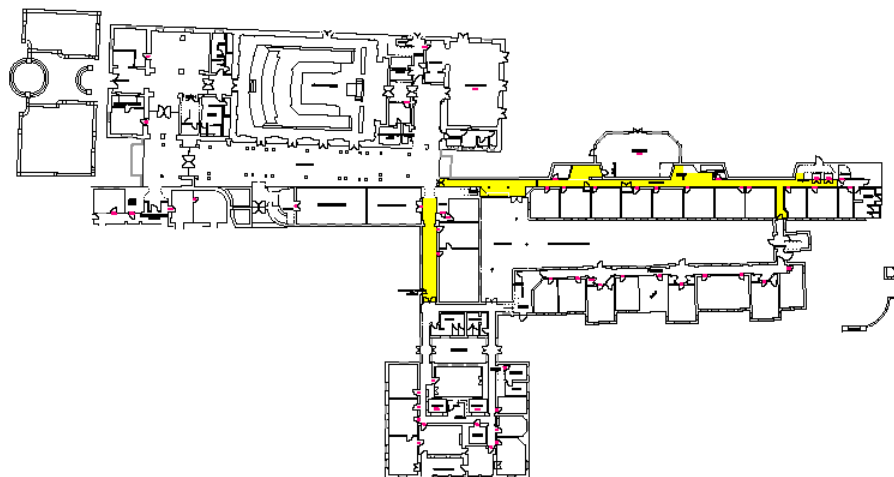
On the 21<sup>st</sup> April 2022, an email request was received from the Directorate of Prestige for Professional Services to replace carpets in the Good Hope Building.

The project embodies the remedying the following:

- The current carpets were installed over six years ago
- The high foot traffic caused accelerated depreciation in the quality of the flooring
- There are water stains on the light tan coloured carpets
- The carpets are unravelled at the joints

#### 4. FINDINGS ON SITE

- The area was visited on the 15<sup>th</sup> July 2022 by a DPWI Architect and Quantity Surveyor from the Cape Town Regional office to establish the best ways to accommodate this request.
- The area of carpet replacement is indicated in yellow in figure below
- Area: +- 140sqm. Together with the carpet, the existing skirting must be replaced as well.



GROUND FLOOR

#### RECOMMENDATIONS:

- Remove existing carpeting light tan carpet including underlays and 70mm timber skirting. Floors to be prepared to receive new porcelain tiles. Allowance to be made for the checking of the floors/screed for any defects etc. Any of the defects to be rectified.
- Fit new heavy duty 10mm thick 600x600mm and best grade non-slip and full bodied (texture and colour) matt Porcelain tiles on appropriate adhesives etc. Tiles to be laid with 2mm spacing's. Grouting to be done with probond. Colour: Light colour to match existing tiles in Tuynhuys.
- Fit new 140mm high hardwood timber / meranti skirting. Skirting to be prepared for painting
- Allow for new non-slip stair tread-aluminum double stair nosing. Size: 33mm x 50mm.

- Allowance to be made for new 30mm wide aluminum T-shaped Capping strips at door thresholds (between Offices and Passages).

#### Advantages

- Tile flooring are hygienic, durable, hardwearing and easy to maintain. It is cool in summer.
- Tiles are economical, affordable and water- resistant.
- Tiles can handle a high volume of foot traffic etc.

### 5. PERMIT REQUEST

The Department of Public Works & Infrastructure, being the custodian of the Parliamentary precinct hereby present this submission to SAHRA for approval and requesting the issuing of a permit in order for the above-mentioned works be implemented on the Good Hope Building.

### 6. PICTURES

