

South African Heritage Resource Agency  
P O Box 4637  
Cape Town  
8001

Dear Sir/Madam

**RE: RE-APPLICATION FOR HERITAGE MATERIAL STORAGE: PERMIT  
PLATREEF PLA1677/S.35-027 (PLA1677/S.35-027)**

This is to inform you that Polokwane Municipality, herein represented by Cultural Services, is committed to take responsibility for the storage of archaeological material at the museum with trust from SAHRA, which will be excavated during the course of developmental activities that will be taking place at platreef as referred above in terms of section 35(4) of NHRA 25 of 1999. We would like to thank SAHRA for the trust that have been vested in us for this function.

Polokwane Museums is looking forward to working with your company in order to fulfil the National Heritage Resources Act 25 of 1999.

Polokwane Museums will require submission of a permit approval which will be filed with the excavated material that will be delivered for record keeping and reference.

Please note that excavated material needs to be personally handed over the museums Chief Curator or a delegated representative, with soft copies of excavation notes and other documentation to accompany physically excavated materials, to ensure that future research is a possibility guaranteed should the materials be needed.

**It is further recommended that officials from the museums carry out site visit/s for monitoring of the material that needs to be stored in the museum for future researches.**

It hoped that you will find the above in order.



**MR. P.E. LAWRENCE**  
**MANAGER: CULTURAL SERVICES**  
**COMMUNITY SERVICES**

05/09/2022  
DATE:





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Our Ref: 1051-IVP-SAH-020

Date: 29 July 2022

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Dear Sir or Madam

**MOTIVATION FOR PERMIT RENEWAL: STONE AGE HERITAGE SITE DESTRUCTION PLA 1677/S.35-027**

Ivanplats would like to apply for the renewal of the permit for the destruction of the Iron Age Site PLA 1677/S.35-027 (Permit ID: 2503). The permit was issued to Ivanplats on 14 April 2021 with an expiry date of 30 April 2022. Engagements with families responsible for the graves located within the heritage site have taken longer than expected. Therefore, Ivanplats did not destruct the heritage site within time frame indicated on the destruction permit.

We would like to apply for the renewal of the permit to ensure that the heritage site PLA 1677/S.35-027 is destructed in accordance with the requirements of the National Heritage Act (Act 25, 1999). Negotiations and signing of agreements with family members whose graves are located within the heritage site continue. The heritage site will be partially destructed, under the supervision of Jaco van der Walt, a suitably trained and experienced archaeologist, leaving the prescribed buffer of 100 meters from any remaining graves. Once the agreements are reached with the family members, the graves will then be relocated in accordance with the SAHRA's requirements, and the site destruction finalised. A map showing the heritage site and a 100-meter buffer around the graves is attached for your reference.

Please be advised that the area for which permission for the partial site destruction is being sought, is required for development on the critical path of the Project. As such, this approach is imperative for the progress and success of the Platreef Project. We trust that the above meets with your approval.

Yours faithfully,

Date: 29/7/2022

Jasmine Abrahams

Group Manager: Sustainability

Company Registration number: 1988/000334/07

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**Destruction Permit application for the Iron Age/Historical Site  
(PLA1677/S.35-027) near Mokopane, Limpopo Province**

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**PERMIT: Destruction**

**In terms of Section 35(4) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999)**

**Permit Holder:** Mr Jaco van der Walt  
Heritage Contracts and Archaeological Consulting  
PO Box 524  
Auckland Park  
2006

**Site:** Platreef PLA1677/S.35-027 (PLA1677/S.35-027)

**This permit is issued to Mr Jaco van der Walt (Heritage Contracts and Archaeological Consulting) on behalf of Ms Jasmine Abrahams (Ivanplat), for the destruction of Iron Age/Historical Site Platreef PLA 1677/S.35-027, excluding the two discovered graves, located within the Operational Area of the Platreef Platinum Mine, Mokopane. SAHRA is satisfied with the interim permit report submitted by Mr Jaco van der Walt for the mitigation of Site PLA 1677/S.35-027.**

1. Due to the potential of further graves in the area a watching brief must be undertaken by a trained archaeologist, with appropriate experience, during destruction of the site.
2. Significant archaeological or historical finds recovered during the course of destruction activities shall be housed by the Polokwane Museum. In the case of graves appropriate arrangements must be made, including a separate permit application to SAHRA, for their re-interment.
3. The results of the watching brief must be submitted to SAHRA as part of the Final Permit Report on or before 30 April 2022.
4. It is the responsibility of the permit holder to obtain permission from the landowner for each visit, and the excavator is responsible for ensuring that he or she has an understanding with the landowner concerning: the number of visitors and workers; conditions for camping on the property; speed limits on access roads; possible prohibitions on off-road driving; size, type and number of vehicles permitted; possible prohibitions on trespassing beyond the site; disturbing fauna, flora or substrate; erection and demolition of structures on the site; appropriate hours of visiting and working on the site; use of firewood, electricity and water; lighting fires and the prevention of uncontrolled fires and any fencing necessary to protect livestock. Conditions of access imposed by the landowner must be observed.
5. SAHRA shall not be liable for any losses, damages or injuries to persons or properties as a result of any activities in connection with this permit.
6. SAHRA reserves the right to cancel this permit by notice to the permit holder.

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7. This permit is subject to a general appeal and may be suspended should an appeal against the decisions be received by SAHRA within 14 days from the date of the permit. SAHRA may not be held responsible for any costs or losses incurred in the event of the suspension or retraction of this permit.

This permit is valid from  
**09/04/2021 to 30/04/2022**

Elijah Dumisani Katsetse  
Heritage Officer  
South African Heritage Resources Agency

Phillip Hine  
Manager: Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites Unit  
South African Heritage Resources Agency

**Additional Info:**

Please note that this permit may be suspended should an appeal against the decisions be received by SAHRA within 14 days from the date of the permit. SAHRA may not be held responsible for any costs or losses incurred in the event of the suspension or retraction of this permit.

**ADMIN:** Direct URL to case: <http://www.sahra.org.za/node/386690>