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DATE : 05 AUGUST 2020

SUBJECT : RESEARCH REPORT

1. PROJECT TITLE

The research was about the Conco Piggery Farm development and the community gravesite at Thornville area in Pietermaritzburg, Kwa-Zulu Natal.

2. PROJECT TITLE DESCRIPTION

The research project aimed at establishing social contract between key stakeholders. The study was motivated by the extension of the Conco Piggery farm owned by Mr. Conco which is understood to be interfering with the Mkhize family graves at Thornville.

3. ACTIVITIES and ACTIONS

- 3.1 On the **09th of July 2020**, the Anthropologists met with the Consultant (Mr. Kubheka) who hired them to collect the data from the key stakeholders. On the following day, the **10th of July 2020** the Anthropologists went to the Conco Piggery farm with the Consultant to see the research site.
- 3.2 On the **11th of July 2020**, the quotation was emailed to the Consultant accordingly. After the acceptance of the quotation by the Consultant, on the **16th of July 2020** the half of the payment was done by the Consultant to the research team (Anthropologists).
- 3.3 On the **18th of July 2020**, the researchers called the Consultant to ask for the Terms of Reference in order to start the preparations for the research project. According to the Consultant there were no terms of reference, therefore the researchers relied on the report which incur the recommendations to be noted by Mr Conco with regards to extension of the piggery Farm.
- 3.4 Upon the viewing of the of the Cease work order from the KZN Amafa and Research Institution. These were the following recommended procedures noted from the Amafa report: **Erect a 25 meter barrier around the graves, appoint the heritage practitioner to survey and identify all heritage resources and graves on the property, the heritage practitioner will have to consult with the community about the graves and what they wish to do with them, the graves , if chosen to be**

removed by the family, needs to be relocated at the Developers cost Not the families((the heritage practitioner negotiates this).

- 3.5 On **18 -19 of July 2020** the project research concept framework was developed. The project concept framework included a project title, description of the project title, research problem, objectives, research methodology, data analysis and report writing and dissemination and emailed accordingly.
- 3.6 On the 20th of July 2020, the researchers developed the following documentation with the purpose of preparing for the fieldwork: Letter of request for permission to conduct research study to the Thornville ward Councilor, drafting the informed consent forms in order to gain the permission to interview the key stakeholders, drafting of the interview schedules to collect data form the research participants
- 3.7 **On the 21st of July 2020**, the researchers contacted the Ward Councillor after the receipt of the telephone number of the ward councilor from Mr Conco. The ward Councillor suggested meeting with the researchers at Pietermaritzburg CBD, next to Duzi Superspar to take the letter of request to conduct the research study together with the attached project concept document, he was attending the meeting at the CBD.
- 1.1 On the **22nd of July 2020**, letter of authorization was obtained from the ward councilor, at Pietermaritzburg CBD. On the very same date, the researchers visited the Conco family and asked them to sign the consent forms and they agreed after the researchers read and explained to them accordingly. Thereafter, the researchers met with the Mkhize family as well, as they are the affected party and had a meeting with them. The researchers introduced themselves at the Mkhize family. In the meeting there were four members from the Mkhize family namely: Mr FJ Mkhize (son), Ms G Mkhize (daughter), Mr MM Dlamini and Mr QL Ngwane. It was noted that Mr MM Dlamini is a son in law to the Mkhize Family and Mr QI Ngwane is the stepfather to the Mkhize. The complainant of the graves matter which is the mother of the Mkhize household was reported that she visited the clinic for her treatment.
- 1.2 After the meeting with the Mkhizes, only three members agreed to participate in the study and therefore signed the consent forms accordingly after the researchers read and explained the purpose of the research study and their right to withdraw at any time if they wish to do so.
- 1.3 On the **24th of July 2020**, the researchers again visited the Mkhize family to start the process of conducting interviews. Upon the researchers arrival to the Mkhize family on the mentioned date. The Mkhize family asked to withdraw from the study due to the following reasons
 - 1.3.1 They declined the letter of authorization which was obtained from Mr. Maphumulo, arguing that their ward councilor is Mr. Mkhize.
 - 1.3.2 The level of trust and transparency was no longer established as misleading information was spread, which proclaimed that we were not researchers, instead we were lawyers working hand in hand with Mr. Conco, and the owner of the farm as one of Mr Conco's friend had come to their family on the 23rd of July 2020 to inform them.
 - 1.3.3 The Mkhize family took the researchers contact details and promised to contact them on Monday as the Amafa team will come with on Monday 27th of July 2020

to conduct the Heritage impact assessment and the identification of all their graves.

3.7. During that time, the Mkhize members were very angry towards the research team. Therefore they want their informed consent forms to be destroyed with immediate effect.

3.8 The researchers received threats and risks from the Mkhize family; as a result, they felt that they were exposed to a lot of danger as the entry point to the field was affected.

3.9 On the very same day, the researchers phoned Mr. Kubheka (consultant) and explained everything that happened few minutes later and risks that they were exposed to.

3.10 On Monday, 27th of July 2020, no phone calls from the Mkhize that was received by the Anthropologists. Therefore, on the 28th of July 2020, the research team visited the Amafa offices directly to enquire about the progress on the Conco Piggery matter. Due to Covid-19 regulations, the Amafa team is rotating but the relevant personnel contact details to liaise with was given. Therefore the email was sent to the relevant Amafa Officer Ms Bernadette from Amafa. The Amafa personnel requested that the matter be dealt by the Association of Southern African Professional Archaeologists (ASAPA) although Anthropologists are relevant in terms of collecting data and compilation of the report accordingly. But, there is a need for professional archaeologists to deal with the sampling of excavation and exhumation process.

4. Outcomes

4.1 Due to the withdrawal of stakeholders, the researchers have decided to abort the process.

4.2 The community did not allow the researchers to continue due to lack of trust and transparency.

4.3 The letter of authorization which was obtained from Mr. Maphumulo also had an impact on the progress of the study as the community felt that the researchers were dishonest.

4.4 The Mkhize family members made it clear that they don't trust the researchers.

5. Analysis

5.1. The misleading information which was spread affected the level of trust and transparency between the community and the researchers.

5.2 The researchers felt that they lives are imposed to high risks and danger and they felt insecure.

6. Decision and Recommendations

6.1 Due to the withdrawal of the community members (Mkhize family), the researchers have decided to withdraw from the research project.

6.2 It is recommended that Mr Conco, the farmer establish a relationship with Kwa-Zulu Natal Amafa and Research so as to work together in resolving the grave matter and reach the positive way forward . Mr Conco should work hand in hand with Amafa Team as they are the representatives of the affected party.

6.3 The developers should give a detailed description of the project, from the start and how the project is aimed at uplifting the community. This is very crucial as it prevents the distortion of facts.

6.5 Mr. Conco as the rightful owner of the place in terms of the title deed can follow legal advice on the matter since the matter cannot be resolved at grassroot level through stakeholder engagement.

7. See attached Appendix

Appendix "A" - Project Research Concept Framework

PROJECT RESEARCH CONCEPT FRAMEWORK

Research Team

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Project Title: A study of the Conco Piggery farm development and Community Gravesite at Thornville area in Pietermaritzburg, KwaZulu-Natal.

1. Project Title Description:

The project is proposed and conceptualised to establish the social contact between key stakeholders. The conducting of this study is motivated by a development of a Conco Piggery farm owned by Mr Conco which is understood to be interfering with a Community gravesite at Thornville. This farm development activity is for commercial purposes. The aim of this research is to identify, evaluate and document sites, objects and structures with heritage significance found within the area of the proposed development. Another aim is to propose processes and procedures as stipulated by the Kwa-Zulu Natal Amafa and Research Institute appropriate for the social contract between the affected community members and Mr Conco as a business developer and an entrepreneur.

2. Project Research Problem

Social contract is an agreement set by people as obligations among them to form a society in which they live in. In this project, social contract refers to a view that every business is permitted by the community to operate within the proposed space therefore the community becomes one of the key stakeholders in the development of its project operations. Thus, Mr Conco as the owner of has been given permission to operate his Conco Piggery Farm by the community of Thornville. The proposed development of Mr Conco, referred to as the Conco Piggery is therefore interfering with the gravesites of some community members of Thornville. This has led to the piggery project as breaching the limits of operating and then had to be ceased by the Kwa-Zulu Natal Amafa and Research Institute. Therefore, there is a need to establish the social contract that exists between the owner of Conco piggery and the community in order to determine the gravesite heritage boundary and the limits of the piggery farm project and social cohesion between the key stakeholders.

3. Project Research Objective

The main project research objective is to establish a social contract between Mr Conco's Conco Piggery farm development and the Thornville community members.

This objective is to be achieved based on these sub-research objectives:

3.1 To establish the boundary of the grave site. Our assumption is that Mr Conco was unaware that the extension of his piggery farm was tempering with an area occupied by the graves.

3.2 To establish the heritage site for the graves. This will strengthen the cohesion between the Conco Piggery Farm and the community members.

4. Research Methodology

This will be a qualitative study and semi-structured interviews will be utilized to collect data from all sampled key stakeholders. As part of addressing ethics questions, A Letter of Authorisation will be obtained from a Ward Councillor as a gatekeeper's letter. This will allow researchers as outsiders to come into the community and carry this research. Informed consent and Release forms will also be used as a way the researchers obtain the community members' agreement to participate in this study. Participants will be asked to sign the Informed Consent Form before partaking in this research project interview process.

5. Data Analysis

Data collected from interviews will be transcribed into manageable text. Transcriptions is the conversion of information into a different form of text for presentation. Computer-based techniques and Software (excel, Nvivo) will be used for content analysis.

6. Report Writing/Dissemination

At the end of the report writing, the report will be presented to all the key stakeholders for verification and correction before final submission to the client.

Appendix "B"- Request Letter to the Ward Councillor

ACCESS LETTER REQUESTING PERMISSION TO CONDUCT RESEARCH

P.O Box 396
Pietermaritzburg
3200

The Ward Councillor
Msunduzi Local Municipality
Ward 03
Pietermaritzburg
Thornville

21 July 2020

Dear Mr Maphumulo

REQUEST FOR PERMISSION TO CONDUCT RESEARCH

We are professional Socio- Cultural Anthropologists team based at Pietermaritzburg in Kwa-Zulu Natal.

The background of the research is: *To study the Conco Piggery Farm development and the Community Gravesites at Thornville Pietermaritzburg, Kwa-Zulu Natal.* The objectives of the study are:

- (a) To assist in establishing the social contract between Mr Conco (Conco's) Piggery farm and the Thornville community (graves owners).
- (b) To assist in the establishment of the boundary of gravesites. To examine the system in place that seeks to ensure a harmonious working relation between Mr Conco and the affected community.
- (c) To establish the heritage site for the graves.

We are hereby seeking your consent to conduct a research in an area under the jurisdiction of Thornville (Leliefontein) falling under municipal demarcations. To assist you in reaching a decision, we have attached to this letter:

- (a) A copy of project research concept framework

Should you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact us. Our contact details are as follows:

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Your permission to conduct this study will be greatly appreciated.

Yours sincerely,
ZR Mkhize



Appendix "C"- Gatekeepers Letter From the Ward Councilor

The Ward Councilor
Msunduzi Local Municipality
Ward 03
Pietermaritzburg
Thornville

I, VINCENT MAPHUMULO, the ward councillor at Thornville, Pietermaritzburg, ward 03 grant permission for the above researchers to continue with the project at Conco Piggery, Thornville, Pietermaritzburg.

Vincent Maphumulo

21-07-2020

Signature

Date

RICHMOND MUNICIPALITY
COMMISSIONER OF DATHS
COUNCILLOR V. MAPHUMULO
PRIVATE BAG 1028
RICHMOND. 3780

Appendix "D"- Informed Consent Form

Ifomu Lemvume

Sawubona Mnu / Nkkz / Nksz

Igama lami ngingu Zandile R Ngubane , ngiyi Anthropologist kwaZulu – Natali, eMgungundlovu. Sifisa ukwenza ucwaningo lapha emphakathithini wase Thornville. Inhloso yalolu cwaningo "ukucubungula ukuvikileka kwamathuna endaweni okuzokwakhiwa kuyona ipulazi lezingulube eThornville, PMB, kwaZulu – Natal". Isizathu sokwenza lolu cwaningo yingoba kuneskhiwo sepulazi lokufuya izingulube endaweni okusolakala ukuthi kunamathuna kuyona. Ucwangingo lubona kunesidingo sokuphenya ngokuvikeleka kwamathuna kanye nokuqhubeka kwezinhlelo zokuthuthukisa umphakathi ziphinde zakhe namathuba emisebenzi emphakathini.

Nakhu okwaziswa:

- Lolu lwazi onginikeza lona luzosetshenziselwa ucwaningo kuphela
- Ungazimbandakanye kololu cwaningo ngokuzithandela,. Unelungelo lokuzimbandakanye, noma ukungazimbandakanyi noma uyeke uma uzizwa ungasathandi ukuqhubeka kulolu cwaningo. Ngeke uze uhlawuliswe ngalutho ngokuyeka kwakho.
- Imibono yakho kulolu cwaningo izogcinwa iyimfihlo. Kanjalo negama lakho ngeke lidalulwe kunoma iluphi uhlobo kulolu cwaningo, ngaphandle kwemvume yakho.
- Le nhlobo izothatha imizuzu eyishumi kuya kweyishumi nanhlanu kuphela
- Imininingwane kanye nezimpendulo ozonginikeza zona zizogcinwa endaweni ephaphile, lapho okufinyelela mina kanye nozakwethu engisebenza naye kuphela, ngemva kweminyaka emihlanu imininingwane yakho iyobe isishiswa kulondelwa imthetho efanelekile yokuqeknisekiswa ukuvikeleka kwakho.
- Uma uvuma sicela usayine leli formu(nasi isiqeshana sokusayina)

Ungaxhumana nami kulemininingwane:

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Inombolo yocingo: 073 742 532

Noma

Email: f a n n a h d l a m i n i @ g m a i l . c o m
Inombolo yocingo: 073 818 2920

Siyabonga kakhulu ngokuba yingxenye kwakho kulolu cwaningo.

Ukuvuma ukuzibophezela

Mina..... (Amagama Aphelele) ngiyaqinisekisa ukuthi ngiyakuqonda konke okuqukethwe yileli dokhumenti, kanye nohlobo lwalolu cwaningo, ngiyavuma ukuba yingxenye yocwaningo.

Ngiyaqonda ukuthi nginelungelo lokuyeka noma inini ukuba ingxenye kulolu cwaningo uma ngizizwa ngingasathandi ukuqhubeka. Ngiyayiqonda inhloso yocwaningo ngakho ngiyavuma.

Ngiyavuma / angivumi ukuthi lengxoxo iqoshwe.

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Ifomu Lemvume

Sawubona Mnu / Nkz / Nksz

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ngemva kweminyaka emihlanu imininingwano yakho iyobe isishiswa kulondelwa imthetho efanelekile yokuqeknisekiswa ukuvikeleka kwakho.

- Uma uvuma sicela usayine leli formu(nasi isiqeshana sokusayina)

Ungaxhumana nami kulemininingwane:

Email: zrmkize@gmail.com
Inombolo yocingo: 073 742 532

Noma

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Siyabonga kakhulu ngokuba yingxenye kwakho kulolu cwaningo.

Ukuvuma ukuzibophezela

Mina..... (Amagama
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Ngiyaqonda ukuthi nginelungelo lokuyeka noma inini ukuba ingxenywe kulolu cwaningo uma
ngizizwa ngingasathandi ukuqhubeka. Ngiyayiqonda inhloso yocwaningo ngakho
ngiyavuma.

Ngiyavuma / angivumi ukuthi lengxoxo iqoshwe.

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Appendix "E"- Interview Schedule Questions

Interview schedule

Imiyalelo: Ngicela uphendule lemibuzo elandelayo ngokufaka uphawu (X) ebhokisini ubuye ubhale izimpendulo zakho ezikhaleni ezinikeziwe.

Isigaba A

Ubulili: Owesilisa

Owesifazane

Iminyaka

18-25

26-35

36- 45

46-55

56-60

60&above

Uhlobo Lobuholi

iKhansela Likamasipala

uMnipulazi

Umhlali wasemphakathini

Inhloko yekhaya

Isigaba B

Imibuzo yenhlolovo

1. Ngabe usunesikhathi esingakanani uhlala kulendawo?

2. Ngabe ipulazi lezingulube likuthinte kanjani kuleminyaka edlule?

3. Unabuhlobo buni nalabo abafihlwe eduzane nalapho kululwa khona leli pulazi?

4. Isiphi isizathu esenza ukuba uthathe isinqumo sokumisa umsebenzi wokululwa kwepulazi?

5. Ngokubona kwakho, isiphi isixazululo esingasiza ekuvikeleni amathuna kube kuqhubeka nomsebenzi wokululwa kwepulazi?

6. Kungaba umubono omuhle ukumbiwa kwamathuna ashintshelwe kwenye indawo?

7. Ngabe kukhona abanye abantu obaziyo noma oke uzwe kuthiwa banamathuna kulendawo ethuthukiswayo?

Submitted by:
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