BACKGROUND INFORMATION DOCUMENT

NOTICE OF A WATER USE LICENCE APPLICATION FOR THE PROPOSED GROUNDWATER ABSTRACTION AND NEW SPORT FIELDS FORMING PART OF THE EXISTING TRINITYHOUSE GLENVISTA SCHOOL ON ERF 5316 GLENVISTA EXT 3, CITY OF JOHANNESBURG METROPOLITAN MUNICIPALITY, GAUTENG PROVINCE.

1. PURPOSE OF THIS DOCUMENT

The purpose of this document is to provide:

- > Background information for the proposed project.
- A description of the proposed water use activities as described in Section 21 of the National Water Act, 1998 (Act No. 36 of 1998).
- A description of the required public participation processes.

2. PROJECT BACKGROUND

The Independent Institute of Education (Pty) Ltd appointed Water Use Licence Associates (Pty) Ltd to undertake a Water Use Licence Application for groundwater abstraction and three (3) new sport fields forming part of the existing Trinityhouse Glenvista school on Erf 5316 Glenvista Ext 3, City Of Johannesburg Metropolitan Municipality, Gauteng Province.

3. LOCATION

The development is situated in Gauteng Province. The map on page 2 provides the locality of the water use activities.

4. <u>REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS AND</u> PROCESS

The proposed groundwater abstraction and the construction of new sport fields will require a Water Use Licence Application to be submitted to the Department of Water and Sanitation in terms of Section 21 (a), (c) and (i) of the National Water Act, 1998 (Act No. 36 of 1998).

<u>Section 21 a:</u> Taking water from a water resource.

Registration of an existing borehole located within the property utilised as a source of water for irrigation and domestic purposes.

<u>Section 21 (c) and (i):</u> Impeding or diverting the flow of water in a watercourse & altering the beds, banks, course or characteristics of a watercourse.

According to Government Notice 509 of 2016 as it relates to the National Water Act, 1998 (Act No. 36 of 1998), a regulated area of a watercourse is defined as: A 500 m radius from the delineated boundary (extent) of any wetland or pan in terms of this regulation.

The proposed sport and recreational facilities will include three (3) future sports fields, one (1) hockey field with attenuation properties, one (1) tennis/ netball field, and one (1) hockey field to be constructed within the 500m ZoR (GN 509) of the seep wetland. Two (2) of the future fields will encroach within a portion of the riparian area.

The competent regulatory authority for the application is the Vaal Regional Office of the Department of Water and Sanitation.

The specialist studies to be undertaken include:

- Delineation and brief characterisation of watercourses within 500m of the new sport fields and borehole;
- Geohydrological Assessment; and
- Engineering reports and designs.

5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS

As part of a Water Use Licence Application, Interested and Affected Parties (I&AP) will be offered the opportunity to register their interest in the project and to ensure that information can be disseminated to them.

6. HOW TO BECOME INVOLVED

You can become part of the public participation process by:

- Returning the Registration Form (Page 3) to the relevant contact person via post, email or fax between the date of 2 November 2020 to 22 January 2021; and
- Reviewing and commenting on the Water Use Licence Application within the stipulated 60- day review period.

7. YOUR RESPONSIBILITIES AS AN I&AP

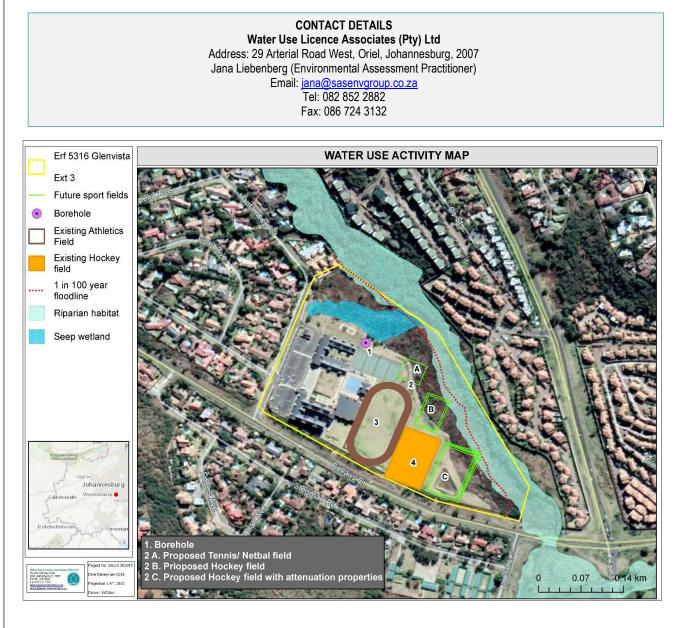
In terms of the public participation process, your attention is drawn to your responsibilities as an I&AP:

- To participate in the public participation process, you must register yourself on the project database with the correct contact details (refer to the Registration Form, Page 3);
- > You must ensure that any comments regarding the proposed project are submitted within the stipulated timeframes; and
- You are required to disclose any direct business, financial, personal or other indirect interest that you may have regarding the approval or refusal of the application for a Water Use Licence for the proposed project activities.

Your input into this process forms a key element with regard to the decision of the application for the Water Use Licence.

By completing and submitting the accompanying form, you automatically register yourself as an I&AP for this project and are ensured that your comments, concerns or queries raised regarding the project will be captured and brought to the attention of the Regulatory Competent Authority.

To register as an I&AP, please submit the registration form to the contact details provided below within 60 days of the date of this correspondence.



INTERESTED AND AFFECTED PARTY REGISTRATION FORM
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Please complete and submit to: Jana Liebenberg
Water Use Licence Associates (Pty) Ltd
Address: 29 Arterial Road West, Oriel, Johannesburg, 2007 Email: jana@sasenvgroup.co.za
Fax: 086 724 3132 Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) are invited to register as stakeholders.
Title: Initials: First Name:
Surname:
Interest/nature of involvement, e.g. property owner:
Organisation:
E-mail:
Telephone (work): Telephone (home):
Cellular Phone: Fax:
Physical address (street) / property description (name and number):
Postal address:
What is your main area of interest with regard to the proposed activities?
Please register any possible comments, interests and/or concerns in this process:
Signature:
Date:
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