



Letter

In terms of Section 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999)

Attention: Mr Robert Albertyn
Urban Energy Town & Regional planners CC
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PROPOSED ETHANDAKUKHANYA EXTENSION 6 TOWNSHIP: DEVELOPMENT ON A PORTION OF PORTION 1 OF THE FARM PIET RETIEF TOWN & TOWNLANDS NO 149-HT

Thank you for your indication that development is to take place in this area.

In terms of the National Heritage Resources Act (NHRA), no 25 of 1999, heritage resources, including archaeological or palaeontological sites over 100 years old, graves older than 60 years and structures older than 60 years are protected. They may not be disturbed without a permit from the relevant heritage resources authority.

In terms of Sections 38(1) and (2) of the NHRA, any development that changes the character of a site that is greater than 5000m² may require a **Heritage Impact Assessment** that satisfies Section 38(3) of the NHRA. The role of the HIA is to identify and document all heritage resources as defined by the NHRA that may be impacted by the proposed development. Appropriate mitigation, which involves recording, sampling and dating sites that are to be destroyed, may be required depending on the nature and significance of the resources identified.

In your application received by SAHRA, no assessment of impacts to heritage resources has been provided.

SAHRA therefore requires that a Heritage Impact Assessment report be completed and submitted for assessment. This report should be inclusive of an assessment of impacts to archaeological resources by a suitably qualified practitioner and an assessment of impacts to all palaeontological resources by a suitably qualified practitioner. This assessment of heritage resources must satisfy Section 38(3) of the NHRA.

The requested Archaeological Report must identify all the archaeological resources that may be impacted by the proposed development, assess their significance and make recommendations (as indicated in section 38(3) of the NHRA) about what mitigation may be required.

A Palaeontological study must be undertaken to assess whether or not the development will impact upon significant palaeontological resources. Alternatively, a letter of exemption from a Palaeontologist is required to indicate that this is unnecessary. If the area is deemed sensitive or if significant heritage is identified, a full Palaeontological Report may be required.





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The impacts of the proposed development on any other heritage resources such as built structures over 60 years old, sites of cultural significance associated with oral histories, burial grounds and graves, graves of victims of conflict, and significant cultural landscapes or viewsapes must also be assessed.

SAHRA looks forward to receiving this heritage report and will provide comment before the project can commence.

Should you have any further queries, please contact the designated official using the case number quoted above in the case header.

Yours faithfully

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