



Final Comment

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

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Proposed township expansion Louisvale weg, Upington

Van Schalkwyk, J. March 2014. *Cultural Heritage Impact Assessment for proposed township development, Louisvaleweg, UPINGTON*

Thank you for informing SAHRA of the proposed extension of the existing township at Louisvale outside of Uplington in the Northern Cape. The proposed development entails the construction of low cost housing as well as associated infrastructure such as roads, schools and sewerage.

The submitted Heritage Impact Assessment indicated that the area proposed for development has been previously disturbed and a large portion of the property is covered in building rubble and rubbish. The submitted HIA identified a number of Middle Stone Age artefacts in the vicinity of a dry river bed. The HIA determined that these heritage resources have low significance as they are out of their original context.

According to the Draft Scoping Report, the area proposed for development is underlain by the Allanridge Formation which has low palaeontological sensitivity.

Based on the available information, it is unlikely that the proposed development will impact on significant archaeological or palaeontological heritage resources.

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Based on the submitted information, SAHRA has no objection to the proposed development as it is unlikely that significant heritage resources will be impacted.

Should any evidence of archaeological sites or remains (e.g., remnants of stone-made structures, indigenous ceramics, bones, stone artefacts, ostrich eggshell fragments, marine shell and charcoal/ash concentrations), rock art, unmarked human burials, fossils or other categories of heritage resources be found during the proposed activities, or in any future activities, SAHRA APM Unit (Jenna Lavin/Colette Scheermeyer 021 462 4502) must be alerted immediately, and a professional archaeologist or palaeontologist, depending on the nature of the finds, must be contacted as soon as possible to inspect the findings. If the newly discovered heritage resources prove to be of archaeological or palaeontological significance a Phase 2 rescue operation might be necessary.

Decisions on Built Environment (e.g. structures over 60 years) and associated Living Heritage (e.g. sacred





sites) must be made by the Provincial Heritage Resources Authority of the Northern Cape, (Mr. Andrew Timothy, email: ratha.timothy@gmail.com).

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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Terms & Conditions:

1. This approval does not exonerate the applicant from obtaining local authority approval or any other necessary approval for proposed work.
2. If any heritage resources, including graves or human remains, are encountered they must be reported to SAHRA immediately.
3. SAHRA reserves the right to request additional information as required.

