

Application for destruction of archaeological site DUB004

Letter

IN TERMS OF SECTION 35(4) OF THE NATIONAL HERITAGE RESOURCES ACT (ACT 25 OF 1999) AND SECTION 40(4), 40(8) OF THE KWAZULU-NATAL AMAFA AND RESEARCH INSTITUTE ACT (ACT 05 OF 2018)

Attention: Hamish Erskine
Dube Trade Port Corporation

Application for the destruction of archaeological site DUB004 for the Agrizone Phase 2 Development at the Dube Trade Port, King Shaka International Airport, Tongaat, KwaZulu Natal Province

The Heritage Officers Committee meeting considered your application on 06 July 2022. The committee noted that this application is for the destruction of an archaeological site in which archaeological materials were collected and exported out of the province without permits in terms of Section 40(4) and 40(8) of the KwaZulu-Natal Amafa and Research Institute Act 05 of 2018.

This comes after a letter outlining the legal processes involved in this site after a permit for the test excavations and GPR was obtained through a separate application titled "Application for Archaeological Mitigation for site DUB004" with a SAHRIS Case id:18028.

An interim mitigation report states that PGS Heritage collected material from the site (unauthorized work) and the material is currently being studied in Pretoria (unauthorized export of archaeological materials). The committee was not able to consider the application to destroy this archaeological site due to the two offenses stated above and will not do so until the applicant follows due process because the terms of reference were clearly explained months before any work commenced at this site.

The applicant is required to submit two application form I's for (1) the unauthorized collection of archaeological material from a site and (2) for the unauthorized export of archaeological materials from the province of KwaZulu-Natal.

Failure to comply with the requirements of the National Heritage Resources Act and the KwaZulu-Natal Amafa and Research Institute Act would mean that no authorization will be given.

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



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CaseID: 18856

Our Ref: SAH22/18856

Yours faithfully

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ADMIN:

Direct URL to case: <https://sahris.sahra.org.za/node/599606>

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 the Institute immediately.
3. The Institute reserves the right to request additional information as required.