

## Duma Telecommunication Radio Tower

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### Final Comment

#### IN TERMS OF SECTION 38(8) OF THE NATIONAL HERITAGE RESOURCES ACT (ACT 25 OF 1999) AND SECTION 41(8) OF THE KWAZULU-NATAL AMAFA AND RESEARCH INSTITUTE ACT (ACT 05 OF 2018)

Attention: Eskom - Megawatt Park

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#### **The Proposed Construction of the Duma Telecommunication Radio Tower within Mthonjaneni Local Municipality, Kwazulu-Natal Province**

The case application was tabled for a decision by the Heritage Officers' Committee Meeting on the 2nd of August 2023. Taken into consideration that the HIA Phase I, done by Mr. Len Van Schalkwyk did not find any Stone Age, Iron Age or Historical Period sites or artefacts only chance-find-protocols are necessary for cultural heritage.

With reference to the PIA Phase I, done by Dr. Heide Fourie, she indicated that the towers were present in the Dwyka Group and that she did not have any objections with reference to the development. She stated that Chance-Find-Protocols must be adhered to.

The KZN Amafa & Research Institute does not have any objection regarding the proposed development. The following protocols must be adhered to:

For archaeological and historical remains:

- 1) If any artefacts are uncovered during the development process all activities must cease. The Environmental Officer and the Heritage Impact Practitioner as well as the KZN Amafa & Research Institute must be informed immediately.
- 2) Do not remove any artefacts.
- 3) A no-go area or danger tape must be secured around these remains with a 25m buffer.
- 4) If the site is a burial site, a buffer of 50m must be implemented around the graves/burial ground.
- 5) Impact on any unknown burial site, needs a destruction permit.

For paleontological sites and eco-facts:

- 1) If any fossils are uncovered during clearing, drilling, blasting, digging and excavating, activity must stop.
- 2) The Environmental Control Officer, the Heritage Practitioner and the KZN Amafa Research Institute must be informed.
- 3) A 30m buffer must be implemented around any paleontological remains that were uncovered.
- 4) A destruction and/or collection permit would be necessary if the site was going to be excavated and eco-facts were going to be collected.

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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**ADMIN:**

Direct URL to case: <https://sahris.sahra.org.za/node/619509>  
(DFFE, Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/1/2787)

**Terms & Conditions:**

1. This approval does not exonerate the applicant from obtaining local authority approval or any other necessary approval



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## HERITAGE IDENTIFICATION, MANAGEMENT & PROTECTION

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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.