

**HERITAGE IDENTIFICATION, MANAGEMENT & PROTECTION** 

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Lakeside industrial and associated services development, Stanger

## **Final Decision**

### IN TERMS OF SECTION 38(4) OF THE NATIONAL HERITAGE RESOURCES ACT (ACT 25 OF 1999) AND SECTION 41(4) OF THE KWAZULU-NATAL AMAFA AND RESEARCH INSTITUTE ACT (ACT 05 OF 2018)

Attention: Confluence Strategic Development (Pty) Ltd

uShukela Milling (Pty) Ltd are the landowners of Farm Blythdale No. 17461 located within the KwaDukuza Local Municipality. The farm is 1 979.6 hectares in extent. The property is an active sugarcane farm and is zoned "Agriculture 1". The landowner is in the process of subdividing the farm. The western portion of the farm, close to Stanger has been identified as having high industrial value.. The intention is to rezone the portion of land where the industrial development is proposed to "General Industry". Two sites have been considered and will be assessed in the environmental authorization process and this study. Preliminary investigations have indicated that site 2 is the preferred site alternative. A new access road is proposed for site 2. The layout of the industrial platforms has not yet been determined; therefore, a single 40-hectare platform will be assessed in the authorization process.

The Heritage Officers Committee meeting considered your application on 07 September 2022. The committee noted that the applicant had proposed two (2) alternative sites for the proposed development and elected to develop alternative site 2.

According to the Heritage Impact Assessment by Jane Beater, Heritage Practitioner, alternative site 2 contains two (2) farm/homesteads. The Build-Heritage Impact Assessment by Lindsay Napier, Architectural Heritage Practitioner, found that the farm/homestead near the south-eastern boundary was built prior to 1937, meaning it enjoys General Protection in terms of Section 37 of the KwaZulu-Natal Amafa and Research Institute Act 05 of 2018-structures over 60 years old.

The committee welcomes the decision of the Developer to ensure that the identified farm/homesteads would not be impacted by the development failing which a permit would need to be obtained. Therefore, the committee resolved not to object to the proposed development within the limits of the stipulated mitigation measures and the following standard conditions:

Conditions:

1. The KwaZulu-Natal Amafa and Research Institute should be contacted if any heritage objects are

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identified during earth-moving activities and all development should cease until further notice. 2. No structures older than sixty years or parts thereof are allowed to be demolished, altered, or extended without a permit from the KwaZulu-Natal Amafa and Research Institute.

3. Under no circumstances may any heritage material be destroyed, inundated, collected, or removed from the site unless under the direction of the KwaZulu-Natal and Amafa Research Institute and a heritage specialist.

4. Should any remain, that could potentially be human remains be found on-site, the South African Police Service (SAPS) should be contacted, and the KwaZulu-Natal Amafa and Research Institute must be notified immediately. No SAPS official may disturb or exhume such remains, without the necessary permission from the KwaZulu-Natal Amafa and Research Institute.

5. No activities are allowed within 50m of a site that contains rock art.

6. Sources of all-natural materials (including topsoil, sands, natural gravels, crushed stone, asphalt, etc.) must be obtained in a sustainable manner and in compliance with the heritage and environmental (NEMA) legislation.

# Failure to comply with the requirements of the National Heritage Resources Act and the KwaZulu-Natal Amafa and Research Institute Act could lead to legal action being constituted against the applicant

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

Yours faithfully

John Pakwe Heritage Officer KwaZulu-Natal Amafa and Research Institute

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

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