#### Proposed Mangosuthu Housing Development, Paulpietersburg, KwaZulu Natal.

Our Ref: SAH15/7910

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# **Final Comment**

In terms of Section 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999) and the KwaZulu-Natal Heritage Act (Act 4 of 2008)

Attention: ENPROCON (Pty) Ltd

Proposed Mangosuthu Housing Development of 1500 RDP housing development in Mangosuthu Village, Edumbe Local Municipality, Zululand District Municipality, KwaZulu-Natal. The physical survey of the proposed development area yield a total of 10 historic site with one located just outside the boundary where assessed in terms of their heritage significance and found to be of high and low heritage significance.

We acknowledge receipt of the Heritage Impact Assessment Report by Nkosinathi Tomose of NGT regarding the Mangosuthu Housing development . The field survey conducted resulted in the identification of 10 heritage resources in and around the proposed development area. The identified sites are Burial ground and graves associated with abandoned homesteads. Sites Mg-01 to Mg-07 and Mg-10 were assessed in terms of their heritage significance and found to be of high heritage significance while Sites Mg-8 and Mg-09 have low heritage significance due to their dilapidated state. The developer should note that any intrusive work on and around these heritage resources regardless of significance rate, will require a permit from Amafa. It is concluded that high impact may result from other projects other than this proposed project as the local community residents have already started developing around the grave sites. A buffer of 25m is required around graves. The following sites (i.e. Mg-01 to Mg-05) will require special intervention by either the local government authorities in form of ward councillors and tribal authority representative such as the Induna. Such intervention should include among other things – identification of the people who are trying to construct on the graves and engagement with them about the potential threat of their activities on the above mentioned graves. A Cultural Heritage Management Plan to form part of the Environmental Management Plan should be produced for the the benefit of the developer, the construction team, ECO and the Induna of the area. All construction activities including site clearance should avoid the identified burial grounds and grave sites as well as the dilapidated structures located within Mangosuthu Village and treat them as No-Go- Areas unless permits to damage, disturb or alter the heritage sites have been obtained from Amafa following the developer's signed agreement with the concerned families and any other parties with vested interest in the resources.

Amafa ,the KwaZulu Natal Provincial Heritage Authority has no objection to the proposed development within limits of the prescribed mitigation measures and recommendations.

You are also required to adhere to the below-mentioned standard conditions:

#### Conditions:

1. Amafa should be contacted if any heritage objects are identified during earthmoving activities and all development should cease until further notice.



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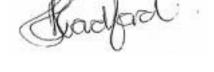
- 2. No structures older than sixty years or parts thereof are allowed to be demolished altered or extended without a permit from Amafa.
- 3. No activities are allowed within 50m of a site, which contains rock art.
- 4. Sources of all natural materials (including topsoil, sands, natural gravels, crushed stone, asphalt, etc.) must be obtained in a sustainable manner and in compliance with the heritage legislation.

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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Amafa/Heritage KwaZulu Natal

### **ADMIN:**

Direct URL to case: http://www.sahra.org.za/node/277131

#### 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 Amafa immediately.
- 3. Amafa reserves the right to request additional information as required.

