

HERITAGE IDENTIFICATION, MANAGEMENT & PROTECTION

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**Richmond cemetery** 

## Final Comment

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

Attention: Richmond Local Municipality

The proposed cemetery site is accessed off the R56 Road, and is located at GPS coordinates 29°53'47.66" S and 30°16'38.58" E. The property is approximately 445 ha in extent and comprises Eucalyptus timber, recreational fields, and the Richmond Country Club and golf course. There is an existing cemetery site which is surrounded by a fence, near to the recreational fields (See below). The property is surrounded by agricultural activities and the Ndaleni township, along with the Richmond landfill site and the Anderson's filling station situated nearby.

The application for comment/decision in terms of heritage legislation was considered by the Provincial Heritage Authority, the KwaZulu Natal Amafa and Research Institute at the Heritage Officers Committee Meeting held on 29<sup>th</sup> of November 2021.

The Amafa Heritage Officers' Committee noted that phase 1 HIA and a desktop PIA had been done and no heritage resources were identified. However, Fossil Chance Find Protocol should be utilised if fossils are seen during the project.

The KwaZulu Natal Amafa and Research Institute therefore has no objection to the proposed development within limits of the stipulated conditions and mitigation measures.

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

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

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

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

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5. No activities are allowed within 50m of a site, which 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 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 instituted 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

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## ADMIN:

Direct URL to case: https://sahris.sahra.org.za/node/588690 (KZNEDTEA, Ref: To be confirmed )

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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