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**TECHNICAL SUMMARY**

<b>Property details</b>						
Province	Northern Cape					
Magisterial district	Gordonia					
Topo-cadastral map	2820CB					
Closest town	Upington					
Farm name & no.	Vaalkoppies 40					
Portions/Holdings	Portion 67					
Coordinates	Polygon					
	No	Latitude	Longitude	No	Latitude	Longitude
	1	S 28.43520	E 21.35912	2	S 28.44867	E 21.37555
	3	S 28.48488	E 21.37042	4	S 28.46383	E 21.33962
	5	S 28.44712	E 21.32607			

<b>Development criteria in terms of Section 38(1) of the NHR Act</b>	Yes/No
Construction of road, wall, power line, pipeline, canal or other linear form of development or barrier exceeding 300m in length	No
Construction of bridge or similar structure exceeding 50m in length	No
Development exceeding 5000 sq m	Yes
Development involving three or more existing erven or subdivisions	No
Development involving three or more erven or divisions that have been consolidated within past five years	No
Rezoning of site exceeding 10 000 sq m	Yes
Any other development category, public open space, squares, parks, recreation grounds	No

<b>Development</b>	
Description	Development of intensive agricultural activities
Project name	Deo Gloria

<b>Land use</b>	
Previous land use	Farming
Current land use	Farming

<b>Heritage sites assessment</b>		
<i>Site type</i>	<i>Site significance</i>	<i>Site grading (Section 7 of NHRA)</i>
Stone tools	Low	III
<b>Impact assessment</b>		
<i>Impact</i>	<i>Mitigation</i>	<i>Permits required</i>
Low	None	None

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Cemetery	High on local level	III
<b>Impact assessment</b>		
<i>Impact</i>	<i>Mitigation</i>	<i>Permits required</i>
Low	None	None

<b>Heritage sites assessment</b>		
<i>Site type</i>	<i>Site significance</i>	<i>Site grading (Section 7 of NHRA)</i>
Monument	High on local level	III
<b>Impact assessment</b>		
<i>Impact</i>	<i>Mitigation</i>	<i>Permits required</i>
Low	None	None

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**GLOSSARY OF TERMS AND ABBREVIATIONS****STONE AGE**

Early Stone Age	2 000 000 - 150 000 Before Present (BP)
Middle Stone Age	150 000 - 30 000 BP
Late Stone Age	30 000 - until c. AD 200

**IRON AGE**

Early Iron Age	AD 200 - AD 900
Middle Iron Age	AD 900 - AD 1300
Late Iron Age	AD 1300 - AD 1830

**HISTORIC PERIOD**

Since the arrival of the white settlers - c. AD 1840 in this part of the country

ASAPA	Association of Southern African Professional Archaeologists
EIA	Early Iron Age
ESA	Early Stone Age
LIA	Late Iron Age
LSA	Late Stone Age
MSA	Middle Stone Age
NHRA	National Heritage Resources Act
PHRA	Provincial Heritage Resources Agency
SAHRA	South African Heritage Resources Agency

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### **2. TERMS OF REFERENCE**

The scope of work consisted of conducting a Phase 1 archaeological survey of the site in accordance with the requirements of Section 38(3) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999).

This include:

- Conducting a desk-top investigation of the area
- A visit to the proposed development site

The objectives were to

- Identify possible archaeological, cultural and historic sites within the proposed development areas;
- Evaluate the potential impacts of construction, operation and maintenance of the proposed development on archaeological, cultural and historical resources;
- Recommend mitigation measures to ameliorate any negative impacts on areas of archaeological, cultural or historical importance.

### **3. HERITAGE RESOURCES**

#### **3.1 The National Estate**

The NHRA (No. 25 of 1999) defines the heritage resources of South Africa which are of cultural significance or other special value for the present community and for future generations that must be considered part of the national estate to include:

- places, buildings, structures and equipment of cultural significance;

- places to which oral traditions are attached or which are associated with living heritage;
- historical settlements and townscapes;
- landscapes and natural features of cultural significance;
- geological sites of scientific or cultural importance;
- archaeological and palaeontological sites;
- graves and burial grounds, including-
  - ancestral graves;
  - royal graves and graves of traditional leaders;
  - graves of victims of conflict;
  - graves of individuals designated by the Minister by notice in the Gazette;
  - historical graves and cemeteries; and
  - other human remains which are not covered in terms of the Human Tissue Act, 1983 (Act No. 65 of 1983);
- sites of significance relating to the history of slavery in South Africa;
- movable objects, including-
  - objects recovered from the soil or waters of South Africa, including archaeological and palaeontological objects and material, meteorites and rare geological specimens;
  - objects to which oral traditions are attached or which are associated with living heritage;
  - ethnographic art and objects;
  - military objects;
  - objects of decorative or fine art;
  - objects of scientific or technological interest; and
  - books, records, documents, photographic positives and negatives, graphic, film or video material or sound recordings, excluding those that are public records as defined in section 1(xiv) of the National Archives of South Africa Act, 1996 (Act No. 43 of 1996).

### 3.2 Cultural significance

In the NHRA, Section 2 (vi), it is stated that “cultural significance” means aesthetic, architectural, historical, scientific, social, spiritual, linguistic or technological value or significance. This is determined in relation to a site or feature’s uniqueness, condition of preservation and research potential.

According to Section 3(3) of the NHRA, a place or object is to be considered part of the national estate if it has cultural significance or other special value because of

- its importance in the community, or pattern of South Africa's history;
- its possession of uncommon, rare or endangered aspects of South Africa's natural or cultural heritage;
- its potential to yield information that will contribute to an understanding of South Africa's natural or cultural heritage;
- its importance in demonstrating the principal characteristics of a particular class of South Africa's natural or cultural places or objects;
- its importance in exhibiting particular aesthetic characteristics valued by a community or cultural group;
- its importance in demonstrating a high degree of creative or technical achievement at a particular period;
- its strong or special association with a particular community or cultural group for social, cultural or spiritual reasons;
- its strong or special association with the life or work of a person, group or organisation of importance in the history of South Africa; and
- sites of significance relating to the history of slavery in South Africa.



## 4. STUDY APPROACH AND METHODOLOGY

### 4.1 Extent of the Study

This survey and impact assessment covers the area as presented in Section 5 and as illustrated in Figure 1.

### 4.2 Methodology

#### 4.2.1 Preliminary investigation

##### 4.2.1.1 Survey of the literature

A survey of the relevant literature was conducted with the aim of reviewing the previous research done and determining the potential of the area. Standard works such as Rudner (1953), Humphreys (1976), Morris (1995), Couzens (2004) and Raper (2004) were consulted.

- An overview of the history of the larger region was obtained, indicating the range of possible heritage sites that could be expected.

##### 4.2.1.2 Data bases

The *Heritage Atlas Database*, the *Environmental Potential Atlas* and the *National Archives of South Africa* were consulted.

- Information on a number of sites located outside the study area was obtained.

##### 4.2.1.3 Other sources

Aerial photographs and topocadastral and other maps were also studied - see the list of references below.

- Little information of actual use was obtained from these sources.

#### 4.2.2 Field survey

The field survey was done according to generally accepted archaeological practices, and was aimed at locating all possible sites, objects and structures. The area that had to be investigated was identified by members of **Cultmatrix** by means of maps and during a site visit. A number of transects were walked across the site. As the site is denuded of vegetation the distance between transects were about 20 metres.

#### 4.2.3 Documentation

All sites, objects and structures that are identified are documented according to the general minimum standards accepted by the archaeological profession. Coordinates of individual localities are determined by means of the *Global Positioning System (GPS)*<sup>1</sup> and plotted on a map. This information is added to the description in order to facilitate the identification of each locality.

Map datum used: Hartebeeshoek 94 (WGS84).

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<sup>1</sup> According to the manufacturer a certain deviation may be expected for each reading. Care was, however, taken to obtain as accurate a reading as possible, and then to correlate it with reference to the physical environment before plotting it on the map.

### 4.3 Limitations

None at present.

## 5. DESCRIPTION OF THE AFFECTED ENVIRONMENT

### 5.1 Site location

The site is located a few kilometres to the east of the town of Upington and consists of Portion 67 of the farm Vaalkoppies 40 within the Gordonia magisterial district (Fig. 1 & 2). For more detail, please see the Technical Summary presented above.

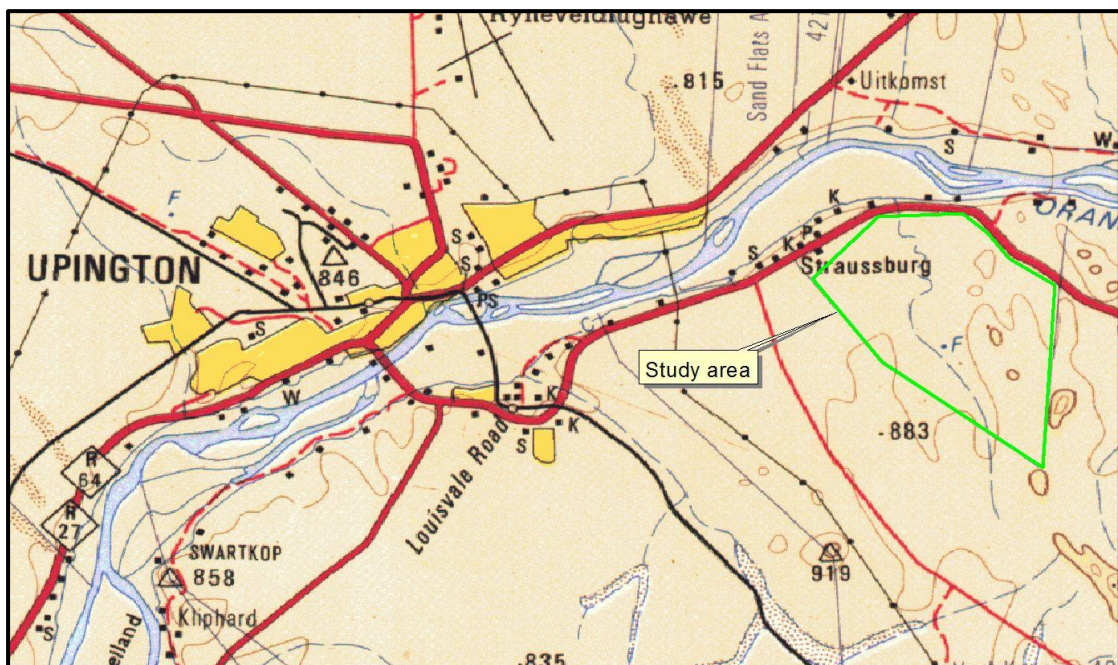


Fig. 1. Location of the study area (green polygon) in regional context.  
(Map 2820: Chief Surveyor-General)

### 5.2 Site description

The geology of the area is made up of granite. The original vegetation is classified as Orange River Nama Karoo. Large sections of the study area have already been impacted on by overgrazing as well as the recent development of olive plantations and infrastructure development. In the past, quarrying activities took place on both sections.

### 5.3 Overview of the region

Stone Age

Occupation of the larger region took place since the Early Stone Age, with occurrences of Middle Stone Age more frequent than the Early Stone Age. However, it is mostly during the Later Stone Age when population density increased.

Recently Parsons (2007, 2008) demonstrated that the so-called Swartkop and Dornfontein industries possibly relate to different socio-economies – those of hunter-gatherers and stock keepers. Based on an analysis of material recovered from five sites in the Northern Cape Province, all dating to the last two millennia, she compare variability between assemblages attributed to the Swartkop and Doornfontein industries and identify areas of overlap and difference.

### *Iron Age*

The spread of Iron Age peoples did not extend this far to the west (Humphreys 1976).

### *Historic period*

The town of Upington, originally known as Olijvenhoutsdrift, was founded in 1871 as part of a mission station by the German missionary Rev Schröder. The town was renamed in 1884 after Sir Thomas Upington, who was the Prime Minister of the Cape Colony and who visited the town in 1884.

An irrigation canal was started by Rev Schröder in 1883. It was completed in 1885. By 1884 there were already 77 irrigation farms. Nowadays, it is disputed that Schröder was the original builder of the canal, and it is claimed that he only carried on with an idea that was started by a local inhabitant by the name of Abraham September.

Most of the known, declared heritage sites (provincial) are located in the vicinity of the Orange River and has to do with irrigation activities.

## **5.4 Identified sites**

### *5.4.1 Stone Age*

- Some quarrying of material for the making of stone tools occurred on the site. These probably date to the Late Stone Age.

### *5.4.2 Iron Age*

- No sites, features or objects of cultural significance dating to the Iron Age were identified in the study area.

### *5.4.3 Historic period*

- Two features dating to the historic period occur on the site:
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## 6. SITE SIGNIFICANCE AND ASSESSMENT

### 6.1 Heritage assessment criteria and grading

According to the NHRA, No. 25 of 1999, Section 2(vi), the *significance* of heritage sites and artefacts is determined by its aesthetic, architectural, historical, scientific, social, spiritual, linguistic or technical value in relation to the uniqueness, condition of preservation and research potential.

A matrix was developed whereby the above criteria, as set out in Sections 3(3) and 7 of the NHRA, No. 25 of 1999, were applied for each identified site (see Appendix 1). This allowed some form of control over the application of similar values for similar sites.

The NHRA stipulates the assessment criteria and grading of archaeological sites. The following categories are distinguished in Section 7 of the Act:

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- **Grade III:** Other heritage resources worthy of conservation, on a local authority level.

The occurrence of sites with a Grade I significance will demand that the development activities be drastically altered in order to retain these sites in their original state. For Grade II and Grade III sites, the application of mitigation measures would allow the development activities to continue.

### 6.2 Statement of significance

In terms of Section 7 of the NHRA, all the sites currently known or which are expected to occur in the study area are evaluated to have Grade III significance.

- The occurrence of the quarry sites is viewed having a medium significance on a regional level and they should be retained.
- The informal cemetery is viewed to have high significance on a local level and should be retained.
- The monument is viewed to have a high significance on a local level and should be retained.

### 6.3 Impact assessment

Impact analysis of cultural heritage resources under threat of the proposed development, are based on the present understanding of the development.

- As it would be easy to avoid the identified sites, the impact of the development activities can be judged to be low and permanent.

## 7. RECOMMENDATIONS

The aim of the survey was to locate, identify, evaluate and document sites, objects and structures of cultural significance found within the area in which it is proposed to develop agricultural activities.

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### 8.1 Data bases

Chief Surveyor General

Environmental Potential Atlas, Department of Environmental Affairs and Tourism.

Heritage Atlas Database, Pretoria.

National Archives of South Africa

### 8.2 Literature

Acocks, J.P.H. 1975. *Veld Types of South Africa*. Memoirs of the Botanical Survey of South Africa, No. 40. Pretoria: Botanical Research Institute.

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### 8.3 Maps

1: 50 000 Topocadastral maps – 2820CB

## APPENDIX 1: CONVENTIONS USED TO ASSESS THE IMPACT OF PROJECTS ON HERITAGE RESOURCES

### Significance

According to the NHRA, Section 2(vi) the **significance** of a heritage sites and artefacts is determined by it aesthetic, architectural, historical, scientific, social, spiritual, linguistic or technical value in relation to the uniqueness, condition of preservation and research potential. It must be kept in mind that the various aspects are not mutually exclusive, and that the evaluation of any site is done with reference to any number of these.

Matrix used for assessing the significance of each identified site/feature

<b>1. Historic value</b>					
Is it important in the community, or pattern of history					
Does it have strong or special association with the life or work of a person, group or organisation of importance in history					
Does it have significance relating to the history of slavery					
<b>2. Aesthetic value</b>					
It is important in exhibiting particular aesthetic characteristics valued by a community or cultural group					
<b>3. Scientific value</b>					
Does it have potential to yield information that will contribute to an understanding of natural or cultural heritage					
Is it important in demonstrating a high degree of creative or technical achievement at a particular period					
<b>4. Social value</b>					
Does it have strong or special association with a particular community or cultural group for social, cultural or spiritual reasons					
<b>5. Rarity</b>					
Does it possess uncommon, rare or endangered aspects of natural or cultural heritage					
<b>6. Representivity</b>					
Is it important in demonstrating the principal characteristics of a particular class of natural or cultural places or objects					
Importance in demonstrating the principal characteristics of a range of landscapes or environments, the attributes of which identify it as being characteristic of its class					
Importance in demonstrating the principal characteristics of human activities (including way of life, philosophy, custom, process, land-use, function, design or technique) in the environment of the nation, province, region or locality.					
<b>7. Sphere of Significance</b>			High	Medium	Low
International					
National					
Provincial					
Regional					
Local					
Specific community					
<b>8. Significance rating of feature</b>					
1.	Low				
2.	Medium				
3.	High				

**Significance of impact:**

- low where the impact will not have an influence on or require to be significantly accommodated in the project design
- medium where the impact could have an influence which will require modification of the project design or alternative mitigation
- high where it would have a “no-go” implication on the project regardless of any mitigation

**Certainty of prediction:**

- Definite: More than 90% sure of a particular fact. Substantial supportive data to verify assessment
- Probable: More than 70% sure of a particular fact, or of the likelihood of that impact occurring
- Possible: Only more than 40% sure of a particular fact, or of the likelihood of an impact occurring
- Unsure: Less than 40% sure of a particular fact, or the likelihood of an impact occurring

**Recommended management action:**

For each impact, the recommended practically attainable mitigation actions which would result in a measurable reduction of the impact, must be identified. This is expressed according to the following:

- 1 = no further investigation/action necessary
- 2 = controlled sampling and/or mapping of the site necessary
- 3 = preserve site if possible, otherwise extensive salvage excavation and/or mapping necessary
- 4 = preserve site at all costs
- 5 = relocate/retain graves

**Legal requirements:**

Identify and list the specific legislation and permit requirements which potentially could be infringed upon by the proposed project, if mitigation is necessary.



## APPENDIX 2. RELEVANT LEGISLATION

All archaeological and palaeontological sites and meteorites are protected by the National Heritage Resources Act (Act no 25 of 1999) as stated in Section 35:

(1) Subject to the provisions of section 8, the protection of archaeological and palaeontological sites and material and meteorites is the responsibility of a provincial heritage resources authority: Provided that the protection of any wreck in the territorial waters and the maritime cultural zone shall be the responsibility of SAHRA.

(2) Subject to the provisions of subsection (8)(a), all archaeological objects, palaeontological material and meteorites are the property of the State. The responsible heritage authority must, on behalf of the State, at its discretion ensure that such objects are lodged with a museum or other public institution that has a collection policy acceptable to the heritage resources authority and may in so doing establish such terms and conditions as it sees fit for the conservation of such objects.

(3) Any person who discovers archaeological or palaeontological objects or material or a meteorite in the course of development or agricultural activity must immediately report the find to the responsible heritage resources authority, or to the nearest local authority offices or museum, which must immediately notify such heritage resources authority.

(4) No person may, without a permit issued by the responsible heritage resources authority-

- (a) destroy, damage, excavate, alter, deface or otherwise disturb any archaeological or palaeontological site or any meteorite;
- (b) destroy, damage, excavate, remove from its original position, collect or own any archaeological or palaeontological material or object or any meteorite;
- (c) trade in, sell for private gain, export or attempt to export from the Republic any category of archaeological or palaeontological material or object, or any meteorite; or
- (d) bring onto or use at an archaeological or palaeontological site any excavation equipment or any equipment which assist in the detection or recovery of metals or archaeological and palaeontological material or objects, or use such equipment for the recovery of meteorites.

In terms of cemeteries and graves the following (Section 36):

(1) Where it is not the responsibility of any other authority, SAHRA must conserve and generally care for burial grounds and graves protected in terms of this section, and it may make such arrangements for their conservation as it sees fit.

(2) SAHRA must identify and record the graves of victims of conflict and any other graves which it deems to be of cultural significance and may erect memorials associated with the grave referred to in subsection (1), and must maintain such memorials.

(3) No person may, without a permit issued by SAHRA or a provincial heritage resources authority-

- (a) destroy, damage, alter, exhume or remove from its original position or otherwise disturb the grave of a victim of conflict, or any burial ground or part thereof which contains such graves;
- (b) destroy, damage, alter, exhume, remove from its original position or otherwise disturb any grave or burial ground older than 60 years which is situated outside a formal cemetery administered by a local authority; or
- (c) bring onto or use at a burial ground or grave referred to in paragraph (a) or (b) any excavation equipment, or any equipment which assists in the detection or recovery of metals.

(4) SAHRA or a provincial heritage resources authority may not issue a permit for the destruction or damage of any burial ground or grave referred to in subsection (3)(a) unless it is satisfied that the applicant has made satisfactory arrangements for the exhumation and re-interment of the contents of such graves, at the cost of the applicant and in accordance with any regulations made by the responsible heritage resources authority.

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### APPENDIX 3: SURVEY RESULTS

See Appendix 1 for an explanation of the conventions used in assessing the cultural remains.

Map datum used: Hartebeeshoek 94 (WGS84).

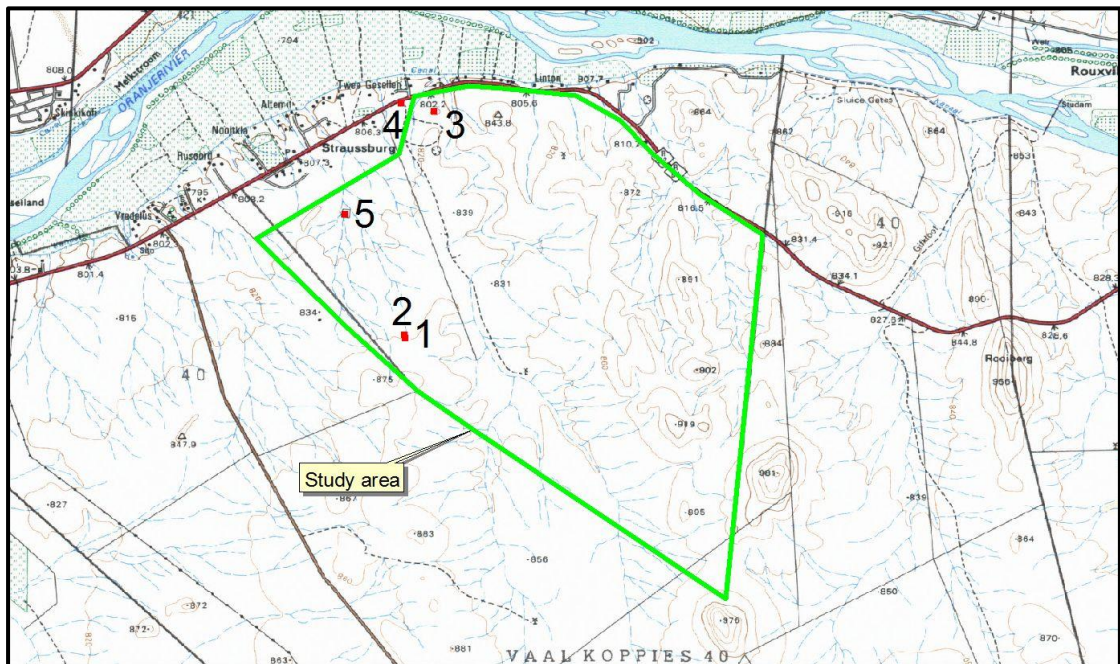


Fig. 2. The study area (green outline) showing the identified sites.  
(Maps 2820CB: Chief Surveyor-General)

**Sites identified in the study area:**

1. Location: Vaalkoppies 40 – S 28.45970, E 21.34001

Description: Quarry site where flakes were removed for the making of stone tools.

Discussion: It is recommended that the area is protected by a 20 metre buffer zone set out around it. This can be determined by taking the above coordinate as centre point.

Evaluation of significance: Medium on a local level

Significance of impact:

Certainty of prediction: Probable

Recommended management action: 3 = preserve site if possible, otherwise extensive salvage excavation and/or mapping necessary

Legal requirements: None



2. Location: Vaalkoppies 40 – S 28.45939, E 21.34000

Description: Quarry site where flakes were removed for the making of stone tools.

Discussion: It is recommended that the area is protected by a 10 metre buffer zone set out around it. This can be determined by taking the above coordinate as centre point.

Evaluation of significance: Medium on a local level

Significance of impact:

Certainty of prediction: Probable

Recommended management action: 3 = preserve site if possible, otherwise extensive salvage excavation and/or mapping necessary

Legal requirements: None



3. Location: Vaalkoppies 40 – S 28.43691, E 21.34298

Description: Monument honouring Conrad Strauss who gave the land for the establishment of the village of Straussburg

Discussion: As this site is located on top of a hill, it is unlikely that it would be impacted on by the proposed development

Evaluation of significance: High on a local level

Significance of impact: Low

Certainty of prediction: Probable

Recommended management action: 5 = retain site

Legal requirements: None



4. Location: Vaalkoppies 40 – S 28.43606, E 21.33965

Description: Large formal cemetery

Discussion: This site actually falls outside on the borders of the development site and therefore there will be no impact on it.

Evaluation of significance: High on a local level

Significance of impact: Low

Certainty of prediction: Definite

Recommended management action: 1 = no further investigation/action necessary

Legal requirements: None



5. Location: Vaalkoppies 40 – S 28.44722, E 21.33398

Description: Large informal cemetery.

Discussion: This site is located in the development area. However, as it is very large and well-known it would be easy to avoid.

Evaluation of significance: High on a local level

Significance of impact: High

Certainty of prediction: Probable

Recommended management action: 5 = retain graves

Legal requirements: SAHRA, Police, Dept. of Health





**APPENDIX 4: ILLUSTRATIONS**



Fig. 3. Aerial photograph showing the study area.  
(Photo: Google Earth)

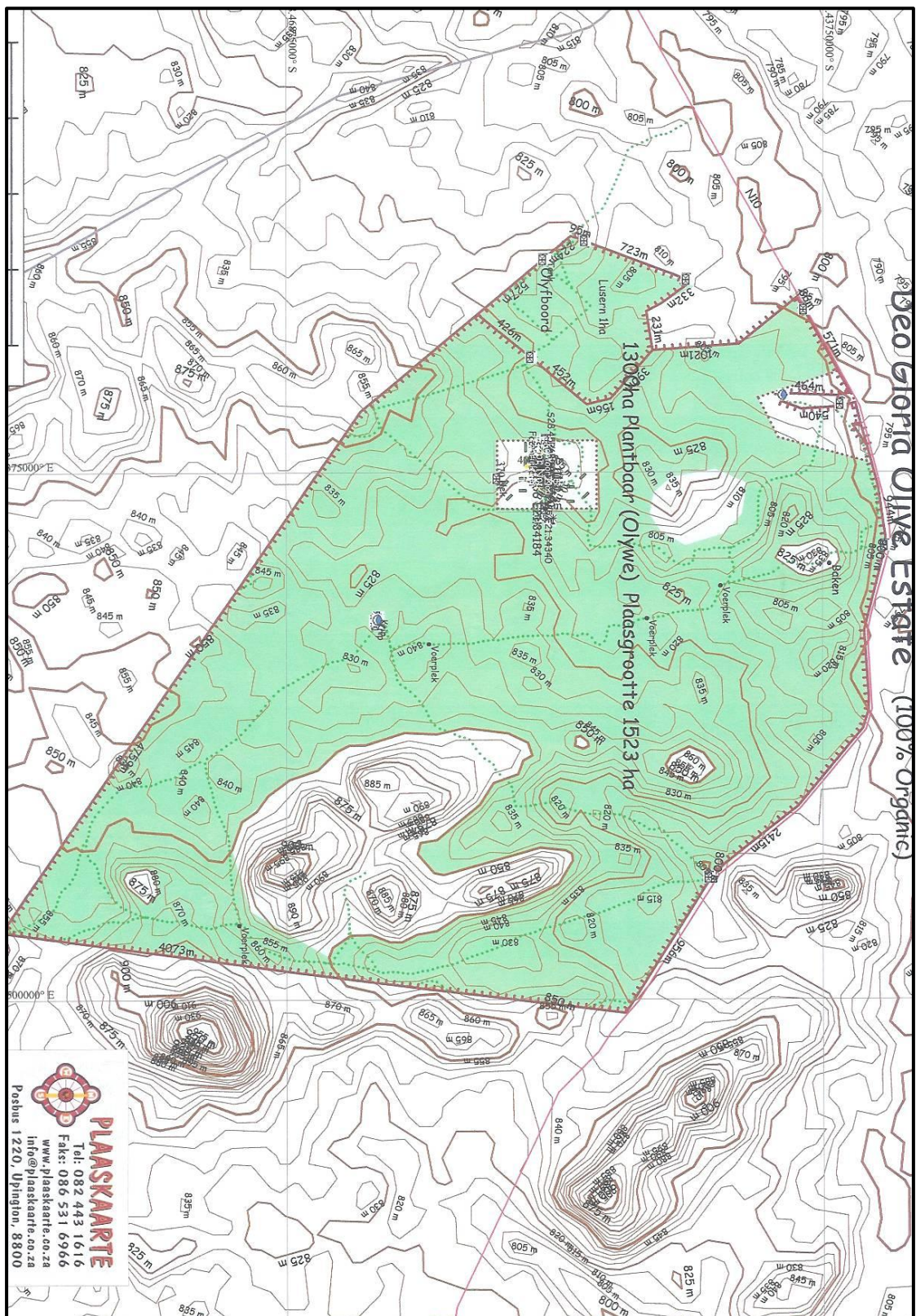


Fig. 4. Map showing the development areas.



Fig. 5. View over the study area looking north.



Fig. 6. The eastern side of the study area.



Fig. 7. The central section of the study area.



Fig. 8. Existing developments that occurred on the site prior to the archaeological survey.