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Dear Ms Matebesi

## HERITAGE IMPACT ASSESSMENT: 191, LYTTLETON AGRICULTURAL HOLDINGS

As requested, we have investigated the site for the proposed development comprising of residential, office and mini storage facilities. The site is located on Holding 191, Lyttleton Agricultural Holdings X1, to be known as Clubview X98, Gauteng. The property is situated in Jean Avenue between Ryker Street and North Street (Fig. 1). It centres around the following coordinates: S 25.83336; E 28.18212.

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 included:

- 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.

The geology is made up of dolomite and the original vegetation is classified as Rocky Highveld Grassland. No features (e.g. hills, outcrops, streams or rock shelters) that usually drew people to settle in its vicinity, occurs in the study area.

The site was visited on the 7 May 2007 and a number of transects were walked across it. The site forms part of an agricultural smallholding and this is reflected in the various structures found on the site. A house, dating to the 1950, exists on the site (see Fig. 2). It is quite plain, with no interesting or unique features. A number of outbuildings also occur. These serve as servant quarters, tool shed and garage. None

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of these show any interesting or unique features. The garden is very underdeveloped, consisting of lawn and a few large exotic trees. The rest of the area is covered with kikuyu grass and a cellular phone base station occurs on the western side of the site.

No obvious features, sites or artefacts of cultural significance that could be impacted on by the proposed development were identified. From a heritage point of view we therefore recommend that the proposed development can continue. However, we request that if archaeological sites or graves are exposed during construction work, it should immediately be reported to a museum, preferably one at which an archaeologist is available, so that an investigation and evaluation of the finds can be made.

Yours sincerely

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Principal Investigator

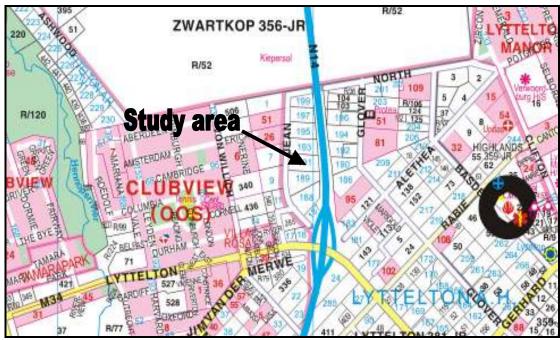


Figure 1. Showing the location of the study area.



Fig. 2. The house as viewed from the eastern side.