



## Constantia Property Owners' Association

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*Conserving Constantia's rural and cultural landscape for all*

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Attention: Frik Vermeulen

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Dear Frik,

### **ABLUTION BLOCKS, FORMER TOKAI PRIMARY SCHOOL**

Notwithstanding that at present the toilet blocks architecturally appear to bear little or no real relationship to the school building, they historically formed part of the Tokai Primary School precinct and their significance is contained within that context. Their spatial relationship to the school building would have been more apparent prior to the alterations that were effected to the school building to create the River Café and the wine sales shop. In the context of their long existence as part of the school precinct, particularly in the light of the school's historic significance, the loss of these toilet blocks would be regrettable even if they are ungradable in their own right.

Having said that, it would be difficult to argue for the conservation of the toilet blocks given their current condition and they will in all probability be deemed by HWC to be ungradable for the reasons set forth in the Brief Heritage Statement.

In regard to the school building, we would request that you seek to obtain a plaque, to be installed in a prominent place at the school building, which identifies the historical significance of the school building. If such a plaque is not obtainable from Heritage Western Cape, a suitable plaque is to be installed by the owner. We look forward to hearing from you in this regard.

Yours sincerely,

John Hesom  
(CPOA manager)