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Dear Sir/Madam

APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION FROM PREPARING A HERITAGE IMPACT ASSESSMENT (HIA) FOR PORTION 5 OF THE FARM TYGER VALLEY- 334 JR (TO BE KNOWN AS GRAYSTONES, TYGER VALLEY X 14), CITY OF TSHWANE, GAUTENG PROVINCE

Site location

The site is situated east of the M10 (Solomon Mahlangu Drive), Lynnwood Road Extension (Graham Road) on a part of the Shere Agricultural Holdings.



Figure 1: Site location

Site Characteristics



Figure 2: Site earmarked for development. Photograph taken towards the west.



Figure 3: Site earmarked for development. Photograph taken towards the east.



Figure 4: Site earmarked for development. Photograph taken towards the north.



Figure 5: Site earmarked for development. Photograph taken towards the south.

Site visit

A site visit took place on 30 September 2016.

Findings

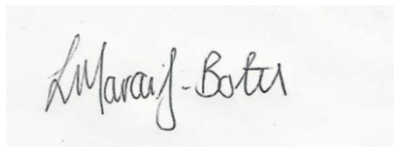
During the site visit it was noted that the proposed development is planned in an almost completely disturbed landscape. The entire study area has been extensively altered by previous farming activities. The possibility of identifying heritage resources are extremely unlikely as anything that may have existed before, would not have survived.

It is therefore believed that a Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) is not needed for this project. The chances of identifying heritage sites are extremely slim as the area is already disturbed. Resultantly all possible signs of heritage resources would have been demolished. Therefore it is very unlikely that any archaeological or cultural historical site or occurrence will be disturbed.

It is thus recommended that a Heritage Impact Assessment would not be necessary for the area and that exemption should be granted by the South African Heritage Resources Agency (SAHRA).

The developer should however note that due to the nature of archaeological material, such sites, objects or features, as well as graves and burials may be uncovered during construction activities on site. In such a case work should cease immediately and an archaeologist should be contacted as a matter of urgency in order to assess such occurrences.

Kind Regards

A handwritten signature in black ink on a light-colored background. The signature reads "Leonie Marais-Botes" in a cursive, slightly slanted script.

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