

# APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION ON THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF FURTHER EDUCATION TRAINING (FET) COLLEGE IN NGQUNGQUSHE (PREVIOUSLY KNOWN AS LUSIKISIKI) IN THE EASTERN CAPE PROVINCE.



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Eastern Cape Provincial Heritage Resources Authority  
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**Attention:** Mr Sello Makhanya

**Re: Application for HIA Exemption Letter for the proposed Further Education and Training (FET) College in Ngqungqushe (previously known as Lusikisiki) in the Eastern Cape**

Dear Mr Sello Makhanya

Masetloaka Scott Wilson (MSW) Engineers, on behalf of the Department of Higher Education and Training (DHET) has appointed Nema Consulting to conduct an Environmental Assessment for the proposed Further Education and Training (FET) Colleges. The proposed areas include Aliwal North; Sterkspruit; Graaff Reinet and Ngqungqushe (previously known as Lusikisiki).

**Location of site**

The site is located in the O. R. Tambo District Municipality of the Eastern Cape Province. **Ngqungqushe Campus** (previously known as Lusikisiki) site is located in the premises of an existing school. A rugby and soccer field were noted on site. The site is highly degraded. The total area of the land that is usable for the school development is 12 hectares (ha) but the development footprint is only approximately 6 ha in size (see Annexure A).

The proposed development triggers a Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) according to Section 38 (1) (a) of the National Heritage Resources Act 1999 (Act No. 25 of 1999) which states that:

"(1) Subject to the provisions of subsections (7), (8) and (9), any person who intends to undertake a development categorised as-

(c) any development or other activity which will change the character of a site—



(i) exceeding 5 000 m2 in extent”.

A site survey was conducted on 05 and 17 July 2013. This was to identify heritage resources that may be impacted on due to the proposed development. They were no heritage resources found within the proposed sites, nor will any structures be impacted upon.

We hereby request exemption from Section 38 of the National Heritage Resources Act 25 of 1999 (Act No. 25 of 1999) for the proposed construction of the above mentioned FET Colleges.

If the development does not occur, no new college facility will be built. This will result in a lack of benefit to the local communities with respect to lack of education, job opportunities and procurement. Junior practitioners that could potentially take part in the proposed project will not be trained towards professional registration. The necessary elements of educational facilities will not be in place for the intake of students at the start of the 2014 academic year as defined in the tender clarifications. This would result in a lack of the necessary infrastructure required for improving education and skill levels in South Africa.

Should you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Yours Sincerely

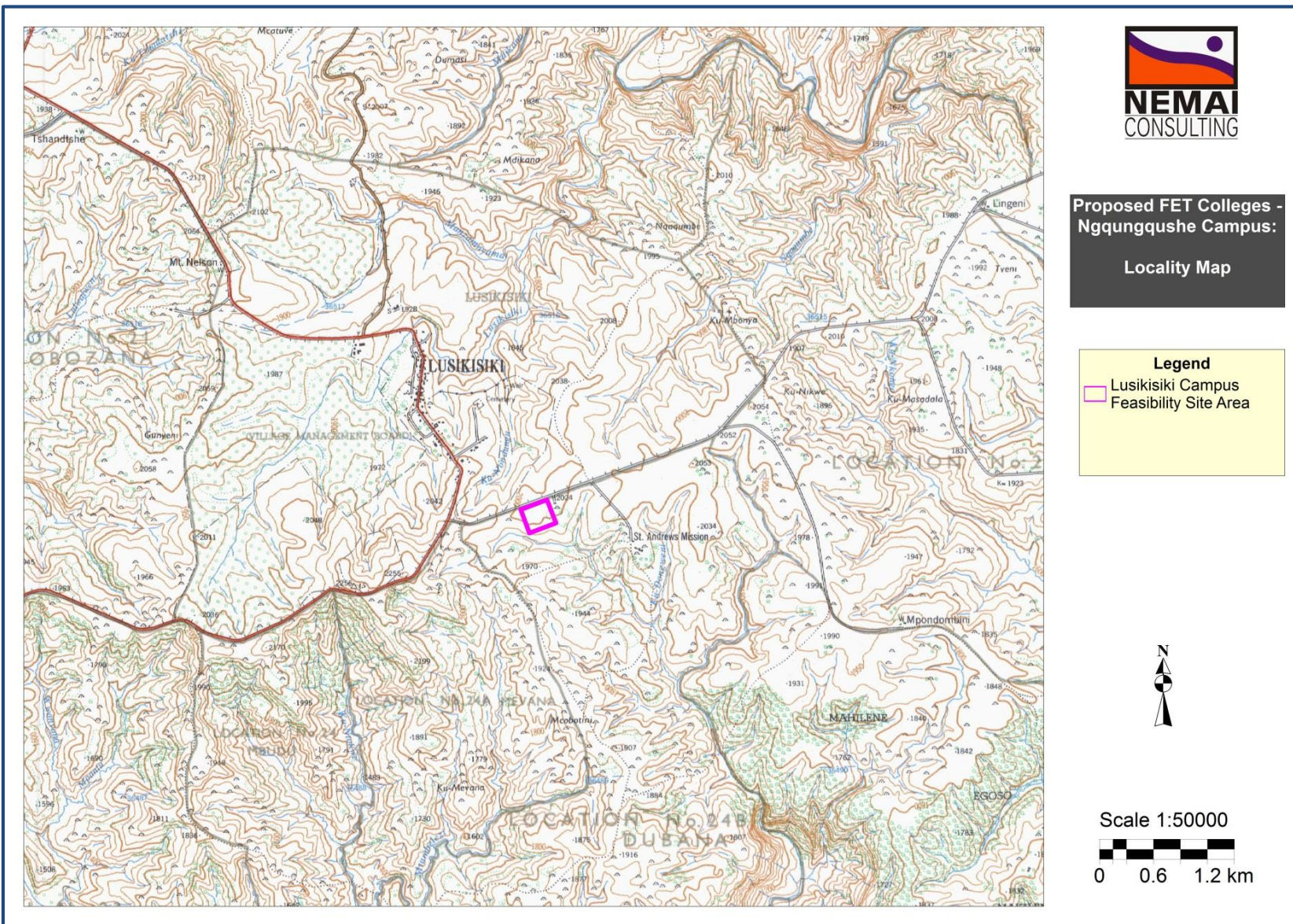
**Nemai Consulting C.C.**

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## ANNEXURE A

- Locality Map





**Figure 1: Locality Map of the proposed Lusikisiki (Ngqungqushu) site 1:50 000**



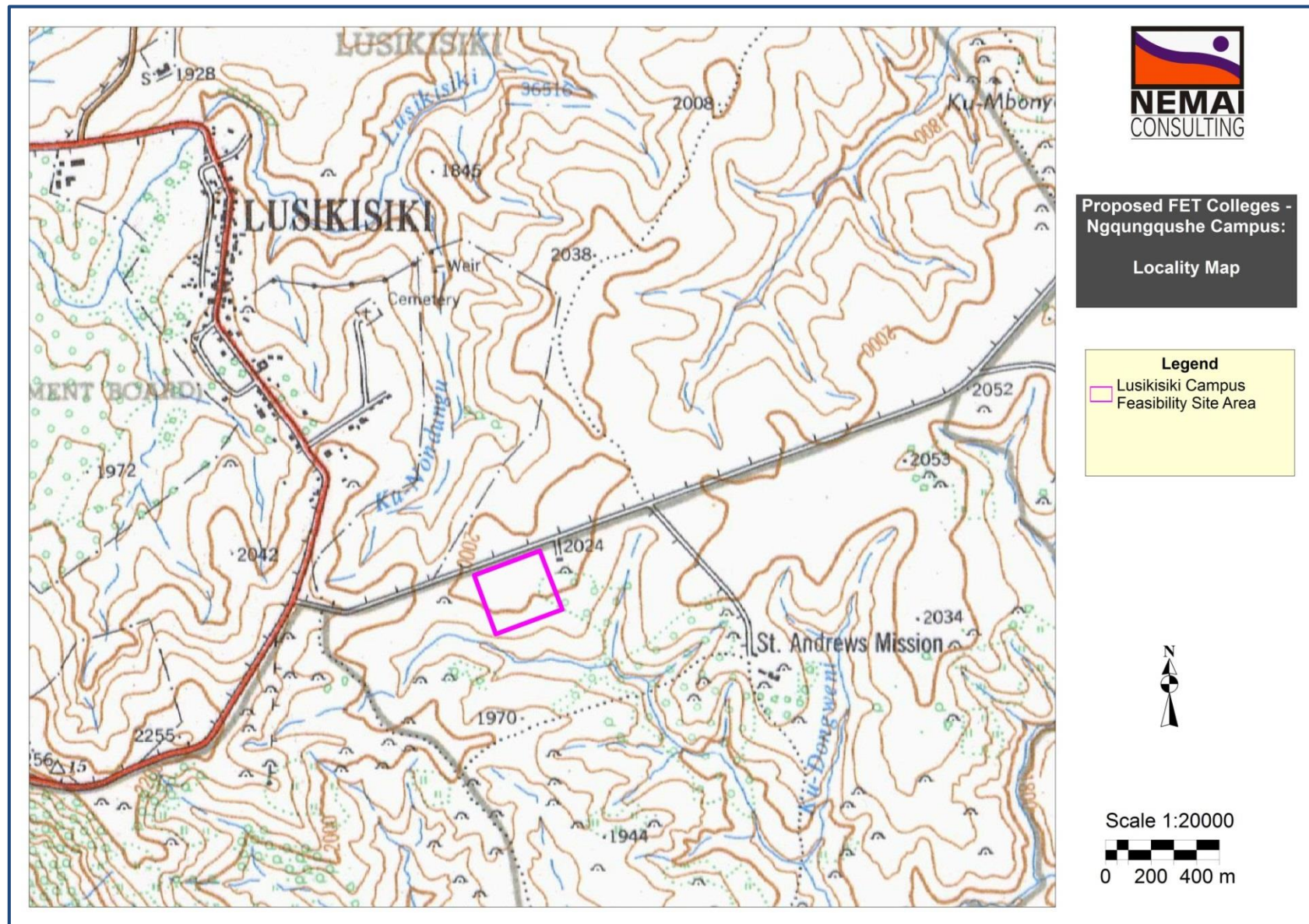


Figure 2: Locality Map of the proposed Lusikisiki (Ngqungqushu) site 1:20 000





**Figure 3: Aerial view of the study area**

## ANNEXURE B

### Photographs of the study area





Figure 1: North view of study area



Figure 2: North East view of the study area



Figure 3: East view of the study area



Figure 4: South East view of the study area



Figure 5: Rugby field within the proposed site



Figure 6: Netball field within the study area