Phase 1 Cultural Heritage Impact Assessment:

THE PROPOSED UMNOTHO MEWS RESIDENTIAL COMPLEX AND FILLING STATION DEVELOPMENT, BRONKHORSTSPRUIT, CITY OF TSHWANE METROPOLITAN MUNICIPALITY, GAUTENG PROVINCE

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I, J A van Schalkwyk, as the appointed independent specialist, in terms of the 2014 EIA Regulations (as amended), hereby declare that I:

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- I perform the work relating to the application in an objective manner, even if this results in views and findings that are not favourable to the applicant;
- regard the information contained in this report as it relates to my specialist input/study to be true and correct, and do not have and will not have any financial interest in the undertaking of the activity, other than remuneration for work performed in terms of the NEMA, the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2014 (as amended) and any specific environmental management Act:
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- all the particulars furnished by me in this specialist input/study are true and correct; and
- I realise that a false declaration is an offence in terms of regulation 48 and is punishable in terms of section 24F of the Act.

Signature of the specialist

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J A van Schalkwyk November 2019

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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Umnotho We Afrika propose the development of a residential complex to be known as Umnotho Mews on Erf 2495 & 2496 and a filling station on Erf 2494 (Portion 12 of the farm Klipeiland 524JR) in Bronkhorstspruit, City of Tshwane Metropolitan Municipality, Gauteng Province.

Nkhophele Holdings was contracted as independent environmental consultant to undertake the EIA process for the above development.

In accordance with Section 38 of the NHRA, an independent heritage consultant was appointed by *Nkhophele Holdings* to conduct a cultural heritage assessment to determine if the proposed development would have an impact on any sites, features or objects of cultural heritage significance.

This report describes the methodology used, the limitations encountered, the heritage features that were identified and the recommendations and mitigation measures proposed relevant to this. The HIA consisted of a desktop study (archival sources, database survey, maps and aerial imagery) and a physical survey that included the interviewing of relevant people. It should be noted that the implementation of the mitigation measures is subject to SAHRA/PHRA's approval.

The cultural landscape qualities of the region essentially consist of a rural area in which the human occupation is made up of a limited Stone Age occupation. This was followed much later by Nguni- and Tswana-speaking agro-pasturalist that settled to the west and south of the study area. They were soon followed by a colonial (farmer) component, which gave rise to the development of towns that dot the larger landscape. The final transformation was brought about by the development of infrastructure in the region, such as roads and railway lines.

Identified sites

During the physical survey, no sites, features or objects of cultural significance were identified.

Impact assessment and proposed mitigation measures

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

 As no sites, features or objects of cultural significance are known to exist in the development area, there would be no impact as a result of the proposed development.

Heritage sites	Significance of impact Mitigation measures		
Umnotho Mews Residential Complex & Filling Station: Construction Phase			
Without mitigation	n/a	n/a	
With mitigation	n/a	n/a	
Umnotho Mews Residential Complex & Filling Station: Operation Phase			
Without mitigation	n/a	n/a	
With mitigation	n/a	n/a	

Legal requirements

The legal requirements related to heritage specifically are specified in Section 3 of this report. For this proposed project, the assessment has determined that no sites, features or objects of heritage significance occur in the study area. If heritage features are identified during construction, as stated in the management recommendation, these finds would have to be assessed by a specialist, after which a decision will be made regarding the application for relevant permits.

Reasoned opinion as to whether the proposed activity should be authorised:

• From a heritage point of view, it is recommended that the proposed development be allowed to continue on acceptance of the proposed mitigation measures and the conditions proposed below.

Conditions for inclusion in the environmental authorisation:

• Should archaeological sites or graves be exposed in other areas during construction work, it must immediately be reported to a heritage practitioner so that an investigation and evaluation of the finds can be made.

J A van Schalkwyk

Heritage Consultant (November 2019)

TECHNICAL SUMMARY

Project description	
Description	Development of a filling station and residential complex
Project name	Umnotho Mews Residential Complex and Filling Station

Applicant	
Umnotho We Afrika	

Environmental assessors	
Nkhophele Holdings	
Mr N Ratshikhopa	

Property details						
Province	Gaute	Gauteng				
Magisterial district	Bronl	Bronkhorstspruit				
Municipality	City o	City of Tshwane Metropolitan Municipality				
Topo-cadastral map	25281	2528DC & 2528DD				
Farm name	Klipei	Klipeiland 524JR				
Closest town	Bronl	Bronkhorstspruit				
Coordinates	Centr	Centre point (approximate)				
	No	Latitude	Longitude	No	Latitude	Longitude
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Development criteria in terms of Section 38(1) of the NHR Act	Yes/No
Construction of road, wall, power line, pipeline, canal or other linear form of development	No
or barrier exceeding 300m in length	
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	No
within past five years	
Rezoning of site exceeding 10 000 sq m	No
Any other development category, public open space, squares, parks, recreation grounds	No

Land use	
Previous land use	Farming
Current land use	Vacant

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GLOSSARY OF TERMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

TERMS

Bioturbation: The burrowing by small mammals, insects and termites that disturb archaeological deposits.

Cumulative impacts: "Cumulative Impact", in relation to an activity, means the past, current and reasonably foreseeable future impact of an activity, considered together with the impact of activities associated with that activity, that in itself may not be significant, but may become significant when added to existing and reasonably foreseeable impacts eventuating from similar or diverse activities.

Debitage: Stone chips discarded during the manufacture of stone tools.

Factory site: A specialised archaeological site where a specific set of technological activities has taken place — usually used to describe a place where stone tools were made.

Historic Period: Since the arrival of the white settlers - c. AD 1830 - in this part of the country.

Holocene: The most recent time period, which commenced c. 10 000 years ago.

Iron Age (also referred to as **Early Farming Communities**): Period covering the last 1800 years, when new people brought a new way of life to southern Africa. They established settled villages, cultivated domestic crops such as sorghum, millet and beans, and they herded cattle as well as sheep and goats. As they produced their own iron tools, archaeologists call this the Iron Age.

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

Midden: The accumulated debris resulting from human occupation of a site.

Mitigation, means to anticipate and prevent negative impacts and risks, then to minimise them, rehabilitate or repair impacts to the extent feasible.

National Estate: The collective heritage assets of the Nation.

Pleistocene: Geological time period of 3 000 000 to 20 000 years ago.

Stone Age: The first and longest part of human history is the Stone Age, which began with the appearance of early humans between 3-2 million years ago. Stone Age people were hunters, gatherers and scavengers who did not live in permanently settled communities. Their stone tools preserve well and are found in most places in South Africa and elsewhere.

Early Stone Age 2 500 000 - 150 000 Before Present

Middle Stone Age 150 000 - 30 000 BP Later Stone Age 30 000 - until c. AD 200

Tradition: As used in archaeology, it is a seriated sequence of artefact assemblages, particularly ceramics.

ACRONYMS and ABBREVIATIONS

ASAPA Association of Southern African Professional Archaeologists

BCE Before the Common Era (the year 0)

BP Before Present (calculated from 1950 when radio-carbon dating was established)

CE Common Era (the year 0)

ESA Early Stone Age
EIA Early Iron Age

HIA Heritage Impact Assessment
I & AP's Interested and Affected Parties

LIA Late Iron Age
LSA Later Stone Age
MIA Middle Iron Age
MSA Middle Stone Age

NASA National Archives of South Africa
NHRA National Heritage Resources Act
PHRA Provincial Heritage Resources Agency
SAHRA South African Heritage Resources Agency

SAHRIS South African Heritage Resources Information System

COMPLIANCE WITH APPENDIX 6 OF THE 2014 EIA REGULATIONS (AS AMENDED)

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	Page i
curriculum vitae; b) a declaration that the specialist is independent in a form as may be specified by	Addendum Section 6
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the competent authority; c) an indication of the scope of, and the purpose for which, the report was	Coation 1
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(cB) a description of existing impacts on the site, cumulative impacts of the proposed	Section 7.3
development and levels of acceptable change;	Continue 4.2.2
d) the duration, date and season of the site investigation and the relevance of the	Section 4.2.2
season to the outcome of the assessment;	Coation 4
e) a description of the methodology adopted in preparing the report or carrying	Section 4
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f) details of an assessment of the specific identified sensitivity of the site related to	Addendum Section 5;
the proposed activity or activities and its associated structures and	Figure 12
infrastructure, inclusive of a site plan identifying site alternatives;	Coation 0
g) an identification of any areas to be avoided, including buffers;h) a map superimposing the activity including the associated structures and	Section 8 Figure 12
infrastructure on the environmental sensitivities of the site including areas to be	Addendum Section 5
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i) a description of any assumptions made and any uncertainties or gaps in	Section 2
knowledge;	Section 2
j) a description of the findings and potential implications of such findings on the	Section 7
impact of the proposed activity or activities;	
k) any mitigation measures for inclusion in the EMPr;	Section 9 & 10
any conditions for inclusion in the environmental authorisation;	Section 10
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authorised;	
(iA) regarding the acceptability of the proposed activity or activities; and	
ii. if the opinion is that the proposed activity, activities or portions thereof	Section 8, 9, 10
should be authorised, any avoidance, management and mitigation	, ,
measures that should be included in the EMPr, and where applicable, the	
closure plan;	
o) a description of any consultation process that was undertaken during the course	-
of preparing the specialist report;	
p) a summary and copies of any comments received during any consultation	-
process and where applicable all responses thereto; and	
q) any other information requested by the competent authority.	-
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information requirement to be applied to a specialist report, the requirements as	
indicated in such notice will apply.	

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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background

Umnotho We Afrika propose the development of a residential complex to be known as Umnotho Mews on Erf 2495 & 2496 and a filling station on Erf 2494 (Portion 12 of the farm Klipeiland 524JR) in Bronkhorstspruit, City of Tshwane Metropolitan Municipality, Gauteng Province.

Nkhophele Holdings was contracted as independent environmental consultant to undertake the EIA process for the above development.

South Africa's heritage resources, also described as the 'national estate', comprise a wide range of sites, features, objects and beliefs. However, according to Section 27(18) of the National Heritage Resources Act (NHRA), No. 25 of 1999, no person may destroy, damage, deface, excavate, alter, remove from its original position, subdivide or change the planning status of any heritage site without a permit issued by the heritage resources authority responsible for the protection of such site.

In accordance with Section 38 of the NHRA, an independent heritage consultant was appointed by *Nkhophele Holdings* to conduct a cultural heritage assessment to determine if the proposed development would have an impact on any sites, features or objects of cultural heritage significance.

This report forms part of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) as required by the EIA Regulations in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998) as amended and is intended for submission to the South African Heritage Resources Agency (SAHRA).

1.2 Terms and references

The aim of a full HIA investigation is to provide an informed heritage-related opinion about the proposed development by an appropriate heritage specialist. The objectives are to identify heritage resources (involving site inspections, existing heritage data and additional heritage specialists if necessary); assess their significances; assess alternatives in order to promote heritage conservation issues; and to assess the acceptability of the proposed development from a heritage perspective.

The result of this investigation is a heritage impact assessment report indicating the presence/absence of heritage resources and how to manage them in the context of the proposed development. Depending on SAHRA's acceptance of this report, the developer will receive permission to proceed with the proposed development, on condition of successful implementation of proposed mitigation measures.

1.2.1 Scope of work

The aim of this study is to determine if any sites, features or objects of cultural heritage significance occur within the boundaries of the area where the proposed development is to take place. 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.

1.2.2 Assumptions and Limitations

The investigation has been influenced by the following factors:

- It is assumed that the description of the proposed project, provided by the client, is accurate.
- The unpredictability of buried archaeological remains.
- No subsurface investigation (i.e. excavations or sampling) were undertaken, since a permit from SAHRA is required for such activities.
- It is assumed that the public consultation process undertaken as part of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) is sufficient and that it does not have to be repeated as part of the heritage impact assessment.

2. LEGISLATIVE FRAMEWORK

2.1 Background

Heritage Impact Assessments are governed by national legislation and standards and International Best Practise. These include:

- South African Legislation
 - National Heritage Resources Act, 1999 (Act No. 25 of 1999) (NHRA);
 - Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2002 (Act No. 22 of 2002) (MPRDA);
 - National Environmental Management Act 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA); and
 - National Water Act, 1998 (Act No. 36 of 1998) (NWA).
- Standards and Regulations
 - South African Heritage Resources Agency (SAHRA) Minimum Standards;
 - Association of Southern African Professional Archaeologists (ASAPA) Constitution and Code of Ethics;
 - Anthropological Association of Southern Africa Constitution and Code of Ethics.
- International Best Practise and Guidelines
 - ICOMOS Standards (Guidance on Heritage Impact Assessments for Cultural World Heritage Properties); and
 - The UNESCO Convention concerning the Protection of the World Cultural and Natural Heritage (1972).

2.2 Heritage Impact Assessment Studies

Resources Management and prospective developments:

South Africa's unique and non-renewable archaeological and palaeontological heritage sites are 'generally' protected in terms of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act No 25 of 1999, Section 35) and may not be disturbed at all without a permit from the relevant heritage resources authority. The National Heritage Resources Act (Act No. 25 of 1999, Section 38) provides guidelines for Cultural

- "38 (1) Subject to the provisions of subsections (7), (8) and (9), any person who intends to undertake a development categorised as:
 - (a) the construction of a road, wall, powerline, pipeline, canal or other similar form of linear development or barrier exceeding 300m in length;
 - (b) the construction of a bridge or similar structure exceeding 50m in length;
 - (c) any development or other activity which will change the character of a site:
 - (i) exceeding 5 000 m₂ in extent; or
 - (ii) involving three or more existing erven or subdivisions thereof; or
 - (iii) involving three or more erven or divisions thereof which have been consolidated within he past five years; or
 - (iv) the costs of which will exceed a sum set in terms of regulations by SAHRA or a provincial heritage resources authority;
 - (d) the re-zoning of a site exceeding 10 000 m₂ in extent; or
 - (e) any other category of development provided for in regulations by SAHRA or a provincial heritage resources authority, must at the very earliest stages of initiating such a development, notify the responsible heritage resources authority and furnish it with details regarding the location, nature and extent of the proposed development."

And:

- "38 (3) The responsible heritage resources authority must specify the information to be provided in a report required in terms of subsection (2)(a): Provided that the following must be included:
 - (a) The identification and mapping of all heritage resources in the area affected;
 - (b) an assessment of the significance of such resources in terms of the heritage assessment criteria set out in section 6(2) or prescribed under section 7;
 - (c) an assessment of the impact of the development on such heritage resources;
 - (d) an evaluation of the impact of the development on heritage resources relative to the sustainable social and economic benefits to be derived from the development;
 - (e) the results of consultation with communities affected by the proposed development and other interested parties regarding the impact of the development on heritage resources;
 - (f) if heritage resources will be adversely affected by the proposed development, the consideration of alternatives; and
 - (g) plans for mitigation of any adverse effects during and after the completion of the proposed development."

3. HERITAGE RESOURCES

3.1 The National Estate

The National Heritage Resources Act (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;
 - o royal graves and graves of traditional leaders;
 - o graves of victims of conflict;

- o 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
 - o objects recovered from the soil or waters of South Africa, including archaeological and palaeontological objects and material, meteorites and rare geological specimens;
 - o 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;
 - o 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.

A matrix (see Section 2 of Addendum) was developed whereby the above criteria were applied for the determination of the significance of each identified site. This allowed some form of control over the application of similar values for similar identified sites.

4. STUDY APPROACH AND METHODOLOGY

4.1 Extent of the Study

This survey and impact assessment cover all facets of cultural heritage located in the study area as presented in Section 5 below and illustrated in Figures 3 & 4.

4.2 Methodology

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. In this regard, various anthropological, archaeological and historical sources were consulted – see list of references in Section 11.

• Information on events, sites and features in the larger region were obtained from these sources.

4.2.1.2 Survey of heritage impact assessments (HIAs)

A survey of HIAs done for projects in the region by various heritage consultants was conducted with the aim of determining the heritage potential of the area – see list of references in Section 11.

Information on sites and features in the larger region were obtained from these sources.

4.2.1.3 Data bases

The Heritage Atlas Database, various SAHRA databases, the Environmental Potential Atlas, the Chief Surveyor General and the National Archives of South Africa were consulted.

• Database surveys produced a number of sites located in the larger region of the proposed development.

4.2.1.4 Other sources

Aerial photographs, topographic and other maps were also studied – see the list of references below.

• Information of a very general nature were obtained from these sources.

The results of the above investigation are presented in Figure 1 below – see list of references in Section 11 – and can be summarised as follows:

- Stone Age (MSA) find spots occur in a limited number in the vicinity of some of the streams and some outcrops and ridges in the larger region;
- Stone walled sites dating to the Late Iron Age occur to the southeast, northeast and west of the study area;
- Historic structures, inclusive of buildings, monuments and bridges, occur mostly in an urban environment (Bronkhorstspruit), although they also occur sporadically on farms in the countryside in general;
- Formal burial sites occur in an urban setting, with a number of informal ones occurring sporadically throughout the countryside.

Based on the above assessment, the probability of cultural heritage sites, features and objects occurring in the study area is deemed to be **low**.

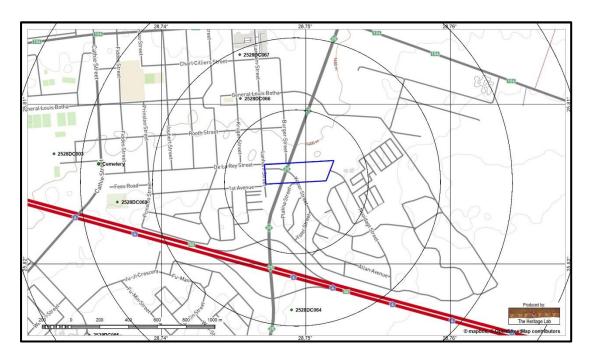


Figure 1. Location of known heritage sites and features in relation to the study area (Circles spaced at a distance of 0,5km: heritage sites = coded green dots)

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 the *Nkhophele Holdings* by means of maps and .kml files indicating the development area. This was loaded onto an ASUS digital device and used in Google Earth during the field survey to access the areas.

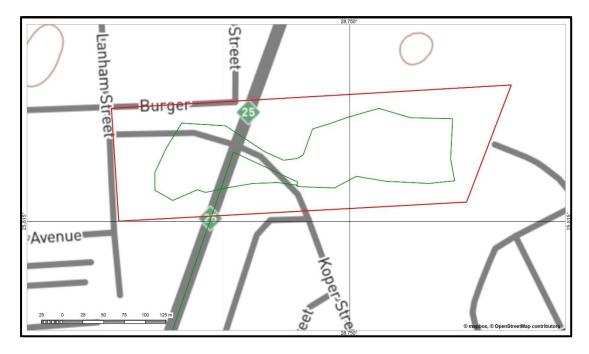


Figure 2. Map indicating the track log of the field survey (Site = red; Track log = green line)

The study area was visited on 29 November 2019 and was investigated by walking transects across the site – see Fig. 2 above. Special attention was given to outcrops as well as areas identified from aerial photographs, e.g. showing a lack of vegetation or the occurrence of possible structures.

During the site visit, archaeological visibility was limited due to a thick grass cover that, although having been cut short, effectively hid the ground surface.

4.2.4 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) 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).

The track log and identified sites were recorded by means of a Garmin Oregon 550 handheld GPS device. Photographic recording was done by means of a Canon EOS 550D digital camera.

5. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

5.1 Site location

The proposed development is to take place at the entrance of Bronkhorstpruit, north of the N4 and both sides of the R25 on Erf 2494, 2495 & 2496 (Portion 12 of the farm Klipeiland 524JR) (Fig. 3). For more information, see the Technical Summary on p. V above.

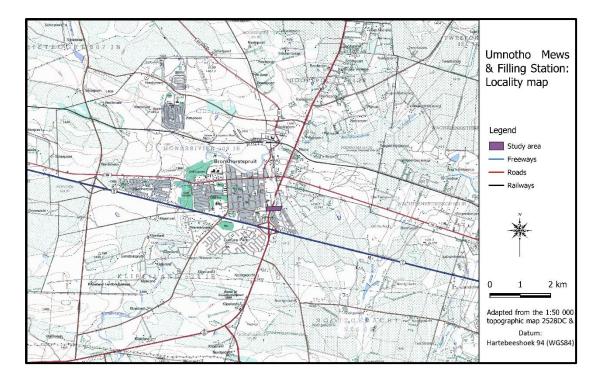


Figure 3. Location of the study area in regional context

5.2 Development proposal

Umnotho Mews (Fig. 4) is a Residential Development at the entrance of Bronkhorstpruit Erf 2495 & 2496 (Portion 12 of the farm Klipeiland 524JR), on the eastern side of the R25:

- The site is designed to have a green park area long the Western Boundary next to the existing stream.
- There are 4 main blocks, North facing, with a landscaped courtyard area in between.
- Each block is double storey with 12 apartments
- The proposed layout design consists of a multi-purpose clubhouse with a swimming pool and 48 residential units.
- These residential units each has an open plan kitchen & living area, two bedrooms and a bathroom.
- Size of units vary between 60 70 m² per unit.

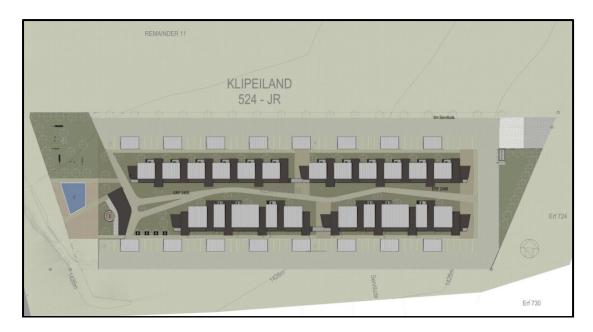


Figure 4. Layout of the proposed Umnotho Mews development (Map supplied by: *Nkhopele Holdings*)

A second component of the development is a filling station on the western side of the R25 on Erf 2494. The underground storage capacity is less than 500 cubic meters. The development also includes retail and office space as well as a car wash (Fig. 5).

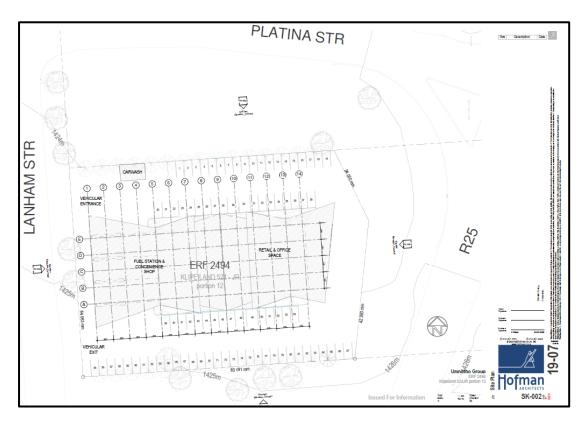


Figure 5. Layout of the proposed filling station development (Map supplied by: *Nkhopele Holdings*)

6. DESCRIPTION OF THE AFFECTED ENVIRONMENT

6.1 Natural Environment

The geology of the study area is made up of shale (sedimentary), changing to tillite (compacted glacial till) to the north and diabase (dolerite – igneous rock) south of the study area. The original vegetation in the study area is classified as Rand Highveld Grassland, which is part of the of the Mesic Highveld Grassland Bioregion (Muncina & Rutherford 2006). The topography of the region can be described moderately undulating plains, with low mountains occurring both to the south and the north. Three river crosses through the larger region: Hondsrivier from the west, Bronkhorstspruit from the south and the Wilgerivier from the east (Fig. 6).

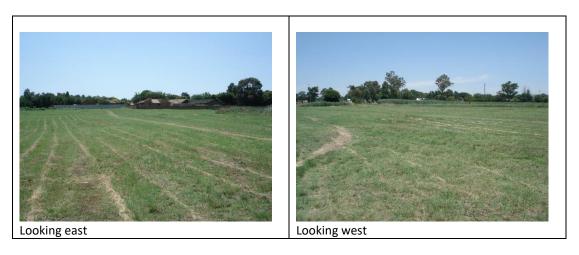




Figure 6. Views over the study area

The Palaeontological Sensitivity Map (SAHRIS) (Fig. 7) indicate that the study area has a moderate sensitivity of fossil remains to be found and therefore a desktop study is required.

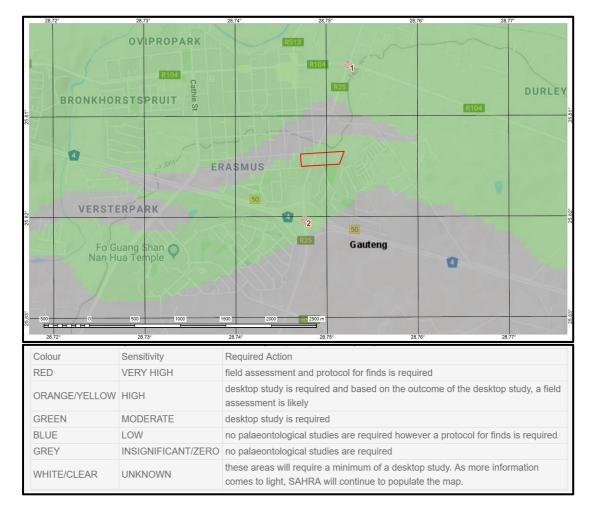


Figure 7. The Palaeontological sensitivity of the study area (Numbered wheel-crosses = calibration points)

6.2 Cultural Landscape

The aim of this section is to present an overview of the history of the larger region in order to eventually determine the significance of heritage sites identified in the study area, within the context of their historic, aesthetic, scientific and social value, rarity and representivity.

The cultural landscape qualities of the region essentially consist of a rural area in which the human occupation is made up of a limited Stone Age occupation. This was followed much later by Nguni- and Tswana-speaking agro-pasturalist that settled to the west and south of the study area. They were soon followed by a colonial (farmer) component, which gave rise to the development of towns that dot the larger landscape. The final transformation was brought about by the development of infrastructure in the region, such as roads and railway lines.

6.2.1 Stone Age

The larger region has probably been inhabited by humans since Early Stone Age (ESA) times, although evidence of this is very limited. Tools dating to this period are mostly, although not exclusively, found in the vicinity of watercourses. The oldest of these tools are known as choppers, crudely produced from large pebbles found in the river. Later, *Homo erectus* and early *Homo sapiens* people made tools shaped on both sides, called bifaces.

During Middle Stone Age (MSA) times (c. $150\,000 - 30\,000$ BP), people became more mobile, occupying areas formerly avoided. Open sites were still preferred near watercourses. These people were adept at exploiting the huge herds of animals that passed through the area, on their seasonal migration. As a result, tools belonging to this period also mostly occur in the open or in erosion dongas. Similar to the ESA material, artefacts from these surface collections are viewed not to be in a primary context and have little or no significance.

Later Stone Age (LSA) people had even more advanced technology than the MSA people and therefore succeeded in occupying even more diverse habitats. The stone artefacts they produced are much smaller than those of the Middle Stone Age and consist of a great variety of functional types. LSA people preferred, though not exclusively, to occupy rock shelters and caves and it is this type of sealed context that make it possible for us to learn much more about them than is the case with earlier periods.

At present, no stratified, sealed site dating to the Stone Age is known for the immediate region. However, it is quite feasible that it would exist in the area, and that detailed surveys would reveal such sites. Similarly, no sites containing rock art are known form the immediate region.

6.2.2 Iron Age

Iron Age people started to settle in southern Africa c. AD 300, with one of the oldest known site at Silver Leaves south east of Tzaneen dating to AD 270. The oldest local EIA site is located at Broederstroom south of Hartebeestpoort Dam and has a radiocarbon date of AD 470.

The occupation of the larger geographical area (including the study area) did not start much before the 1500s. To understand all of this, we have to take a look at the broader picture. Towards the end of the first millennium AD, Early Iron Age communities underwent a drastic change, brought on by increasing trade on the East African coast. This led to the rise of powerful ruling elites, for example at Mapungubwe. The abandonment of Mapungubwe (c. AD 1270) and other contemporaneous settlements show that widespread drought conditions led to the decline and eventual disintegration of this state Huffman (2005).

By the 16th century things changed again, with the climate becoming warmer and wetter, creating condition that allowed Late Iron Age (LIA) farmers to occupy areas previously unsuitable, for example the Witwatersrand and the treeless, wind-swept plains of the Free State and the Mpumalanga escarpment.

This period of consistently high rainfall started in about AD 1780. At the same time, maize was introduced from Maputo and grown extensively. Given good rains, maize crops yield far more than sorghum and millets. This increase in food production probably led to increased populations in coastal area as well as the central highveld interior by the beginning of the 19th century. Due to their specific settlement requirements, Late Iron Age people preferred to settle on the steep slope of a mountain, possibly for protection, or for cultural considerations such as grazing for their enormous cattle herds. Because of the lack of trees, they built their settlements in stone.

A number of stone-walled archaeological sites, which are dated to the Late Iron Age (c. AD 1640 - AD 1830s), were identified in the larger geographical region and are associated with Tswana- as well as Ndebele-speaking people. In the southern part of the Dinokeng area numerous Ndebele sites are found. These cover the area from Wallmannsthal to Roodeplaat dam and southwards across the N4 along the Pienaarsrivier. However, the greatest concentration is south of the N4. The most important site in the Dinokeng area is called KoMjekejeke and is situated at the farm Downbern 494JR. Sites have also been identified on the farm Elandshoek 337JR just southwest of Cullinan. All these sites are relative late sites. Iron Age sites were also found on Leeuwkloof 258 JR, Windybrow Game Farm and recently on Buffelskloof 281JR.

6.2.3 Historic period

During Mzilikazi's short stay in the Pretoria region (1822-1825) the Manala Ndebele who lived to the east of Pretoria were raided on a regular basis. Sibindi (Manala) and Magodongo (Ndzundza) planned a joined attack on Mzilikazi but lost the battle and scattered throughout the area. Many Manala soldiers were forcefully integrated into Mzilikazi's army. Sibindi was taken prisoner of war and killed. The Manala power was destroyed which made the Magaliesberg region an easy settlement area for white farmers who arrived there in the mid-Nineteenth Century.

Things were set to change drastically during the early part of the 19th century. Not only was it a time of population movement resulting from events to the south and east, but it was also the arrival of the first white settlers in the area. Lucas Bronkhorst and the Erasmus brothers took up farms surrounding the area that was later to become Pretoria.

The first farmers started settling in the area in the 1840's. Originally farmers practiced mixed farming. Most farmers in the region had at least two farms: a highveld (summer) and a bushveld (winter) farm. The farmers would move their cattle and other animals between winter and summer grazing. This practice continued until the 1940s. This practice eventually found its way into place names like Rust de Winter and Winterfeld.

The farm Wachtenbietjeskop (with many variants of the spelling of the farm) was first registered in 1865 in the name of G D P Prinsloo. Somewhat later the farm Roodepoort was first registered by Deed of Transfer 10611/1876 to D J Pieterse. Rustfontein was registered in the same year by Deed of Transfer 10595/1876 to G van Niekerk. Nooitgedacht was first surveyed in March 1893 for G M L P Vermaak and H A Roets.

On Jeppe's map dating to 1888 (Fig. 8) below, the names of some of the above-mentioned individuals can be seen. It also indicates the road leading from Pretoria eastwards to towns in the eastern section of the ZAR and eventually down to the coast. Sammy Marks' industrial complex, Eerste Fabriek is also indicated, as well as an hotel – at that point in time Bronkhorstspruit town still did not exist. It also indicates the battlefield of December 1880.

The completion of the NZASM railway line in the 1895, linking Pretoria with Lourenço Marques (Maputo) and the world at large, brought much infra-structural and administrative development to the area. This railway line also became the scene of many battles during the Second South African War.

Battle of Bronkhorstspruit

After the Annexation of the ZAR by British forces in 1878, the Republican forces laid siege to them at various points, e.g. to the east at Laingsnek and Majuba, to the west in Potchefstroom and in the central region at Pretoria. A number of stone forts were erected around Pretoria, laying siege to the British (some of these forts still exists to the west of the study area in the region now known as Nelmapius). A force of British troops stationed in the Steelpoort River region, where they recently subjected Chief Sekhukhune of the Pedi, were force-marched in order to relieve the besieged soldiers in Pretoria. The British, thinking that they were unconquerable did not heed warnings of an imminent attack. As they approach the Bronkhorstspruit, south of the modern town of similar name, they were attacked by the Republicans. Slow to react, large numbers of soldiers were killed, with limited casualties on the Republican side. Monuments and a small cemetery still mark the sport on the farm Klipeiland.

South African War

The various battles and skirmishes resulting from the conflict during the South African War (1899-1902) had a huge impact on heritage resources in the area, as many farms were burned down. Conversely, it also left a legacy of heritage sites scattered across the veld: fortifications and war cemeteries occur all over. Although most of the conflict centred on the railway line to Lourenço Marques (Maputo), incidents also took place in other areas, e.g. Donkerhoek/Diamond Hill (Cloete 2000).

The last conventional battle of the Second South African War (Anglo-Boer War) took place at Diamond Hill. The Republican forces had retreated from Pretoria and made a last stand at the Magalies Mountains to the east and south of modern Mamelodi. The battle took place over a much larger landscape that just at Donkerhoek/Diamond Hill, stretching from Boekenhoutskloof in the north, southwards past Pienaarspoort to the south at Witpoort. In its essence, the battle took place only over two days, 11-12 June 1900. Although the opposing forces were spread out over a significant distance (40km), the main fighting took place at two locations: Kameelfonteinvallei in the north and Donkerhoek in the south. The British eventually succeeded, due to superior numbers (men and heavy artillery), to dislodge the Republicans

As the battle took place only over two days, little physical evidence remains in the landscape. The Republicans erected small fortifications (sangars) all along the Magaliesberg mountain range. After the battle, and with the Republicans retreating to the east, the British took over these fortifications and expanded some to make them more formal. The fortifications on the farm Pienaarspoort (339JR) are still in a relative good state of preservation (Pelser 1996) and were used to protect the railway line running Pretoria and Mozambique. Apparently some trenched were excavated at the lower end of the ridge, but their exact size and location is difficult to determine. The most visible remains of the Battle is the military cemetery where soldiers that died along the whole front during the battle were buried.

Black people and the South African War

After the Republican forces introduced guerrilla warfare the British Army started with its tactics of building block houses and burning down of all farms and crop. Women and children were put into concentration camps. Just east of Pienaarspoort at Van der Merwe station on the farm Elandshoek 337JR as well as at Elands River on the farm Kaalfontein concentration camps were erected for black farm workers. Conditions in the black concentration camps were far worse than the notorious

concentration camps for white people. In total 116 000 black women and children died in the concentration camps. As yet, very little is known about the above-mentioned two concentration camps.

Bronkhorstspruit

The town of Bronkhorstspruit was laid out in 1904 on the farm Hondsrivier and named Erasmus, after the owner of the farm. However, in 1935 it was renamed Bronkhorstspruit, after the river of the same name where the battle took place in 1880.

6.3 Site specific review

Although landscapes with cultural significance are not explicitly described in the NHRA, they are protected under the broad definition of the National Estate (Section 3): Section 3(2)(c) and (d) list "historical settlements and townscapes" and "landscapes and natural features of cultural significance" as part of the National Estate.

The examination of historical maps and aerial photographs help us to reconstruct how the cultural landscape has changed over time as is show how humans have used the land.

One of the oldest maps of the region is Jeppe's map dating to 1888 (Fig 8), depicting some roads, the railway line and the various farms. Twelve years later, the Imperial Map of South Africa (1900) (Fig. 9) compiled for the Field Intelligence Department indicate all the farm boundaries, farm names, roads and railway lines as well as rivers.

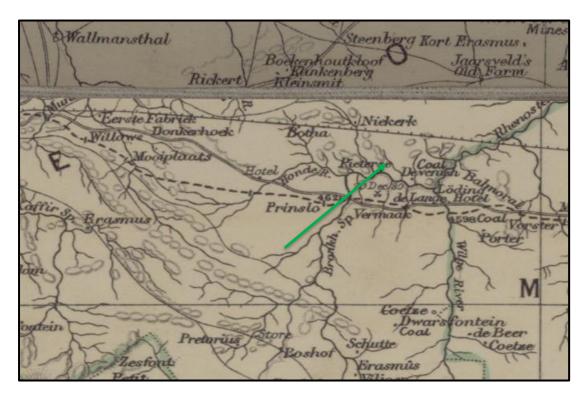


Figure 8. Location of the study area depicted on Jeppe's map dating to 1888

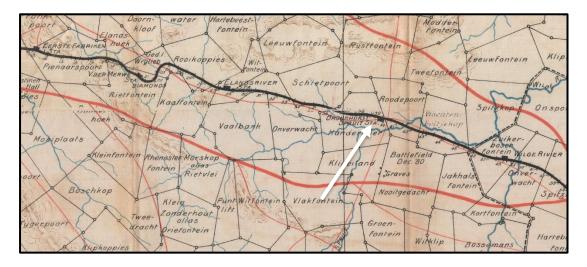


Figure 9. Location of the study area depicted on the Imperial Map of South Africa (1900) (Compiled for Field Intelligence Department, Cape Town)

The next image, the official aerial photograph dating to 1939 (Fig. 10) shows the town already laid out, with the old church on the central square. The study area per sé shows a section of it covered by a plantation of some sort.



Figure 10. Study area on the 1939 version of the aerial photograph (Photograph: 145_013_14430) (Numbered wheel-crosses = calibration points)

The last image (Fig. 11) dating to 2019 shows the expansion of urban development surrounding the study area, which is still vacant and is used as public open space by local residents. Road-making activities in the study area would have had a negative impact on any heritage sites and features that might have occurred here in the past.



Figure 11. Aerial view of the study area (2019)

(Image: Google Earth)

7. SURVEY RESULTS

During the physical survey, the following sites, features and objects of cultural significance were identified in the study area (Fig. 12).

7.1 Stone Age

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

7.2 Iron Age

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

7.3 Historic period

• No sites, features or objects of cultural significance dating to the historic period were identified in the study area.

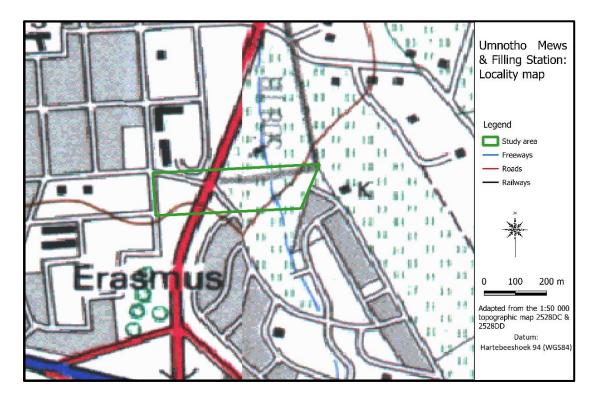


Figure 12. Location of heritage sites in the study area (Please note that no heritage sites were identified, therefore nothing is indicated on the map.)

8. RESULTS: STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE AND IMPACT RATINGS

8.1 Impact assessment

Heritage impacts are categorised as:

- Direct or physical impacts, implying alteration or destruction of heritage features within the project boundaries;
- Indirect impacts, e.g. restriction of access or visual intrusion concerning the broader environment;
- Cumulative impacts that are combinations of the above.

Impact analysis of cultural heritage resources under threat of the proposed development, is based on the present understanding of the development and is summarised in Table 1 below:

Table 1: Impact assessment

Heritage sites	Significance of impact	Mitigation measures		
Umnotho Mews Residential Complex & Filling Station: Construction Phase				
Without mitigation	n/a	n/a		
With mitigation	n/a	n/a		
Umnotho Mews Residential Complex & Filling Station: Operation Phase				
Without mitigation	tigation n/a n/a			
With mitigation	n/a	n/a		

9. MANAGEMENT MEASURES

Heritage sites are fixed features in the environment, occurring within specific spatial confines. Any impact upon them is permanent and non-reversible. Those resources that cannot be avoided and that are directly impacted by the proposed development can be excavated/recorded and a management plan can be developed for future action. Those sites that are not impacted on can be written into the management plan, whence they can be avoided or cared for in the future.

Sources of risk were considered with regards to development activities defined in Section 2(viii) of the NHRA that may be triggered and are summarised in Table 3A and 3B below. These issues formed the basis of the impact assessment described. The potential risks are discussed according to the various phases of the project below.

9.1 Objectives

- Protection of archaeological, historical and any other site or land considered being of cultural value within the project boundary against vandalism, destruction and theft.
- The preservation and appropriate management of new discoveries in accordance with the NHRA, should these be discovered during construction activities.

The following shall apply:

- Known sites should be clearly marked in order that they can be avoided during construction activities.
- The contractors and workers should be notified that archaeological sites might be exposed during the construction activities.
- Should any heritage artefacts be exposed during excavation, work on the area where the artefacts were discovered, shall cease immediately and the Environmental Control Officer shall be notified as soon as possible;
- All discoveries shall be reported immediately to a heritage practitioner so that an investigation and evaluation of the finds can be made. Acting upon advice from these specialists, the Environmental Control Officer will advise the necessary actions to be taken;
- Under no circumstances shall any artefacts be removed, destroyed or interfered with by anyone on the site; and
- Contractors and workers shall be advised of the penalties associated with the unlawful removal of cultural, historical, archaeological or palaeontological artefacts, as set out in the National Heritage Resources Act (Act No. 25 of 1999), Section 51. (1).

9.2 Control

In order to achieve this, the following should be in place:

- A person or entity, e.g. the Environmental Control Officer, should be tasked to take responsibility for the heritage sites and should be held accountable for any damage.
- Known sites should be located and isolated, e.g. by fencing them off. All construction workers should be informed that these are no-go areas, unless accompanied by the individual or persons representing the Environmental Control Officer as identified above.
- In areas where the vegetation is threatening the heritage sites, e.g. growing trees pushing walls over, it should be removed, but only after permission for the methods proposed has been granted by SAHRA. A heritage official should be part of the team executing these measures.

Table 2A: Construction Phase: Environmental Management Programme for the project

Action required	Protection of heritage sites, features and objects			
Potential Impact	The identified risk is damage or changes to resources that are generally protected in			
	terms of Sections 27, 28, 31, 32, 34, 35, 36 and 37 of the NHRA that may occur in the			
	proposed project area.			
Risk if impact is not	Loss or damage to sites, features or objects of cultural heritage significance			
mitigated				
Activity / issue	Mitigation: Action/control	Responsibility	Timeframe	
1. Removal of	See discussion in Section 9.1	Environmental	During construction	
Vegetation	above	Control Officer	only	
2. Construction of				
required infrastructure,				
e.g. access roads, water				
pipelines				
Monitoring	See discussion in Section 9.2 above			

Table 2B: Operation Phase: Environmental Management Programme for the project

Action required	Protection of heritage sites, features and objects			
Potential Impact	It is unlikely that the negative impacts identified for pre-mitigation will occur if the			
	recommendations are followed.			
Risk if impact is not	Loss or damage to sites, features or objects of cultural heritage significance			
mitigated				
Activity / issue	Mitigation: Action/control	Responsibility	Timeframe	
1. Removal of	See discussion in Section 9.1	Environmental	During	construction
Vegetation	above	Control Officer	only	
2. Construction of				
required infrastructure,				
e.g. access roads, water				
pipelines				
Monitoring	See discussion in Section 9.2 above	/e		

10. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Umnotho We Afrika propose the development of a residential complex to be known as Umnotho Mews on Erf 2495 & 2496 and a filling station on Erf 2494 (Portion 12 of the farm Klipeiland 524JR) in Bronkhorstspruit, City of Tshwane Metropolitan Municipality, Gauteng Province.

Nkhophele Holdings was contracted as independent environmental consultant to undertake the EIA process for the above development.

This report describes the methodology used, the limitations encountered, the heritage features that were identified and the recommendations and mitigation measures proposed relevant to this. The HIA consisted of a desktop study (archival sources, database survey, maps and aerial imagery) and a physical survey that included the interviewing of relevant people. It should be noted that the implementation of the mitigation measures is subject to SAHRA/PHRA's approval.

The cultural landscape qualities of the region essentially consist of a rural area in which the human occupation is made up of a limited Stone Age occupation. This was followed much later by Nguni- and Tswana-speaking agro-pasturalist that settled to the west and south of the study area. They were soon followed by a colonial (farmer) component, which gave rise to the development of towns that dot the larger landscape. The final transformation was brought about by the development of infrastructure in the region, such as roads and railway lines.

Identified sites

During the physical survey, no sites, features or objects of cultural significance were identified.

Impact assessment and proposed mitigation measures

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

• As no sites, features or objects of cultural significance are known to exist in the development area, there would be no impact as a result of the proposed development.

Heritage sites	Significance of impact	Mitigation measures		
Umnotho Mews Residential Complex & Filling Station: Construction Phase				
Without mitigation n/a		n/a		
With mitigation	n/a	n/a		
Umnotho Mews Residential Complex & Filling Station: Operation Phase				
Without mitigation	n/a	n/a		
With mitigation	n/a	n/a		

Legal requirements

The legal requirements related to heritage specifically are specified in Section 3 of this report. For this proposed project, the assessment has determined that no sites, features or objects of heritage significance occur in the study area. If heritage features are identified during construction, as stated in the management recommendation, these finds would have to be assessed by a specialist, after which a decision will be made regarding the application for relevant permits.

Reasoned opinion as to whether the proposed activity should be authorised:

• From a heritage point of view, it is recommended that the proposed development be allowed to continue on acceptance of the proposed mitigation measures and the conditions proposed below.

Conditions for inclusion in the environmental authorisation:

 Should archaeological sites or graves be exposed in other areas during construction work, it must immediately be reported to a heritage practitioner so that an investigation and evaluation of the finds can be made.

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12. ADDENDUM

1. Indemnity and terms of use of this report

The findings, results, conclusions and recommendations given in this report are based on the author's best scientific and professional knowledge as well as available information. The report is based on survey and assessment techniques which are limited by time and budgetary constraints relevant to the type and level of investigation undertaken and the author reserve the right to modify aspects of the report including the recommendations if and when new information may become available from ongoing research or further work in this field or pertaining to this investigation.

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2. Assessing the significance of heritage resources and potential impacts

A system for site grading was established by the NHRA and further developed by the South African Heritage Resources Agency (SAHRA 2007) and has been approved by ASAPA for use in southern Africa and was utilised during this assessment.

2.1 Significance of the identified heritage resources

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

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 1.2 Aesthetic value It is important in exhibiting particular aesthetic characteristics valued by a community or cultural group 1.3 Scientific value 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		
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1.4 Social value		
Does it have strong or special association with a particular community or cultural group for social,		
cultural or spiritual reasons		
1.5 Rarity		
Does it possess uncommon, rare or endangered aspects of natural or cultural heritage		
1.6 Representivity		
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. 2. Sphere of Significance High Medium Low		
International		
National		
Provincial		
Regional		
Local		
Specific community		
3. Field Register Rating		
. National/Grade 1: High significance - No alteration whatsoever without permit from SAHRA		
Provincial/Grade 2: High significance - No alteration whatsoever without permit from		
provincial heritage authority.		
Local/Grade 3A: High significance - Mitigation as part of development process not advised.		

4.	Local/Grade 3B: High significance - Could be mitigated and (part) retained as heritage register site	
5.	Generally protected 4A: High/medium significance - Should be mitigated before destruction	
6.	Generally protected 4B: Medium significance - Should be recorded before destruction	
7.	Generally protected 4C: Low significance - Requires no further recording before destruction	

2.2 Significance of the anticipated impact on heritage resources

All impacts identified during the HIA stage of the study will be classified in terms of their significance. Issues would be assessed in terms of the following criteria:

Nature of the impact

A description of what causes the effect, what will be affected and how it will be affected.

Extent

The physical **extent**, wherein it is indicated whether:

- 1 The impact will be limited to the site;
- 2 The impact will be limited to the local area;
- 3 The impact will be limited to the region;
- 4 The impact will be national; or
- 5 The impact will be international.

Duration

Here it should be indicated whether the lifespan of the impact will be:

- 1 Of a very short duration (0–1 years);
- 2 Of a short duration (2-5 years);
- 3 Medium-term (5–15 years);
- 4 Long term (where the impact will persist possibly beyond the operational life of the activity); or
- 5 Permanent (where the impact will persist indefinitely).

Magnitude (Intensity)

The magnitude of impact, quantified on a scale from 0-10, where a score is assigned:

- 0 Small and will have no effect;
- 2 Minor and will not result in an impact;
- 4 Low and will cause a slight impact;
- 6 Moderate and will result in processes continuing but in a modified way;
- 8 High, (processes are altered to the extent that they temporarily cease); or
- 10 Very high and results in complete destruction of patterns and permanent cessation of processes.

Probability

This describes the likelihood of the impact actually occurring and is estimated on a scale where:

- 1 Very improbable (probably will not happen);
- 2 Improbable (some possibility, but low likelihood);
- 3 Probable (distinct possibility);
- 4 Highly probable (most likely); or
- 5 Definite (impact will occur regardless of any prevention measures).

Significance

The significance is determined through a synthesis of the characteristics described above (refer to the formula below) and can be assessed as low, medium or high:

 $S = (E+D+M) \times P$; where

S = Significance weighting

E = Extent

D = Duration

M = Magnitude

P = Probability

Significance of impact		
Points	Significant Weighting	Discussion
< 30 points	Low	Where this impact would not have a direct influence on the decision to develop in the area.
31-60 points	Medium	Where the impact could influence the decision to develop in the area unless it is effectively mitigated.
> 60 points High		Where the impact must have an influence on the decision process to develop in the area.

Confidence

This should relate to the level of confidence that the specialist has in establishing the nature and degree of impacts. It relates to the level and reliability of information, the nature and degree of consultation with I&AP's and the dynamic of the broader socio-political context.

- High, where the information is comprehensive and accurate, where there has been a high degree of consultation and the socio-political context is relatively stable.
- Medium, where the information is sufficient but is based mainly on secondary sources, where there has been a limited targeted consultation and socio-political context is fluid.
- Low, where the information is poor, a high degree of contestation is evident and there is a state of socio-political flux.

Status

• The status, which is described as either positive, negative or neutral.

Reversibility

The degree to which the impact can be reversed.

Mitigation

• The degree to which the impact can be mitigated.

Nature:		
	Without mitigation	With mitigation
Construction Phase		
Probability		
Duration		
Extent		
Magnitude		
Significance		
Status (positive or negative)		
Operation Phase		
Probability		
Duration		
Extent		
Magnitude		
Significance		
Status (positive or negative)		
Reversibility		
Irreplaceable loss of resources?		
Can impacts be mitigated		

3. Mitigation measures

 Mitigation: means to anticipate and prevent negative impacts and risks, then to minimise them, rehabilitate or repair impacts to the extent feasible.

Impacts can be managed through one or a combination of the following mitigation measures:

- Avoidance
- Investigation (archaeological)
- Rehabilitation
- Interpretation
- Memorialisation
- Enhancement (positive impacts)

For the current study, the following mitigation measures are proposed, to be implemented only if any of the identified sites or features are to be impacted on by the proposed development activities:

- (1) Avoidance/Preserve: This is viewed to be the primary form of mitigation and applies where any type of development occurs within a formally protected or significant or sensitive heritage context and is likely to have a high negative impact. This measure often includes the change / alteration of development planning and therefore impact zones in order not to impact on resources. The site should be retained *in situ* and a buffer zone should be created around it, either temporary (by means of danger tape) or permanently (wire fence or built wall). Depending on the type of site, the buffer zone can vary from
 - o 10 metres for a single grave, or a built structure, to
 - o 50 metres where the boundaries are less obvious, e.g. a Late Iron Age site.
- (2) Archaeological investigation/Relocation of graves: This option can be implemented with
 additional design and construction inputs. This is appropriate where development occurs in a
 context of heritage significance and where the impact is such that it can be mitigated. Mitigation
 is to excavate the site by archaeological techniques, document the site (map and photograph) and
 analyse the recovered material to acceptable standards. This can only be done by a suitably
 qualified archaeologist.
 - o This option should be implemented when it is impossible to avoid impacting on an identified site or feature.
 - This also applies for graves older than 60 years that are to be relocated. For graves younger than 60 years a permit from SAHRA is not required. However, all other legal requirements must be adhered to.
 - Impacts can be beneficial e.g. mitigation contribute to knowledge
- (3) Rehabilitation: When features, e.g. buildings or other structures are to be re-used. Rehabilitation is considered in heritage management terms as an intervention typically involving the adding of a new heritage layer to enable a new sustainable use.
 - The heritage resource is degraded or in the process of degradation and would benefit from rehabilitation.
 - Where rehabilitation implies appropriate conservation interventions, i.e. adaptive reuse, repair and maintenance, consolidation and minimal loss of historical fabric.
 - Conservation measures would be to record the buildings/structures as they are (at a particular point in time). The records and recordings would then become the 'artefacts' to be preserved and managed as heritage features or (movable) objects.
 - This approach automatically also leads to the enhancement of the sites or features that are re-used.

- (4) Mitigation is also possible with additional design and construction inputs. Although linked to the previous measure (rehabilitation) a secondary though 'indirect' conservation measure would be to use the existing architectural 'vocabulary' of the structure as guideline for any new designs.
 - The following principle should be considered: heritage informs design.
 - This approach automatically also leads to the enhancement of the sites or features that are re-used.
- (5) No further action required: This is applicable only where sites or features have been rated to be of such low significance that it does not warrant further documentation, as it is viewed to be fully documented after inclusion in this report.
 - Site monitoring during development, by an ECO or the heritage specialist are often added to this recommendation in order to ensure that no undetected heritage/remains are destroyed.

4. Relocation of graves

If the graves are younger than 60 years, an undertaker can be contracted to deal with the exhumation and reburial. This will include public participation, organising cemeteries, coffins, etc. They need permits and have their own requirements that must be adhered to.

If the graves are older than 60 years old or of undetermined age, an archaeologist must be in attendance to assist with the exhumation and documentation of the graves. This is a requirement by law.

Once it has been decided to relocate particular graves, the following steps should be taken:

- Notices of the intention to relocate the graves need to be put up at the burial site for a period of 60 days. This should contain information where communities and family members can contact the developer/archaeologist/public-relations officer/undertaker. All information pertaining to the identification of the graves needs to be documented for the application of a SAHRA permit. The notices need to be in at least 3 languages, English, and two other languages. This is a requirement by law.
- Notices of the intention needs to be placed in at least two local newspapers and have the same information as the above point. This is a requirement by law.
- Local radio stations can also be used to try contact family members. This is not required by law, but is helpful in trying to contact family members.
- During this time (60 days) a suitable cemetery need to be identified close to the development area or otherwise one specified by the family of the deceased.
- An open day for family members should be arranged after the period of 60 days so that they can gather to discuss the way forward, and to sort out any problems. The developer needs to take the families requirements into account. This is a requirement by law.
- Once the 60 days has passed and all the information from the family members have been received, a permit can be requested from SAHRA. This is a requirement by law.
- Once the permit has been received, the graves may be exhumed and relocated.
- All headstones must be relocated with the graves as well as any items found in the grave.

Information needed for the SAHRA permit application

- The permit application needs to be done by an archaeologist.
- A map of the area where the graves have been located.
- A survey report of the area prepared by an archaeologist.
- All the information on the families that have identified graves.
- If graves have not been identified and there are no headstones to indicate the grave, these are then unknown graves and should be handled as if they are older than 60 years. This information also needs to be given to SAHRA.
- A letter from the landowner giving permission to the developer to exhume and relocate the graves.
- A letter from the new cemetery confirming that the graves will be reburied there.
- Details of the farm name and number, magisterial district and GPS coordinates of the gravesite.

5. Curriculum vitae

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1995	DLitt et Phil (Anthropology), University of South Africa
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1981	BA (Hons), Anthropology, University of Pretoria
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1978	BA (Hons), Archaeology, University of Pretoria
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12th HSRC-School in Research Methodology - July 1990 Dept. of Education and Training Management Course - June 1992 Social Assessment Professional Development Course - 1994 Integrated Environmental Management Course, UCT - 1994

Professional experience

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- 1992 2017: Senior researcher: Head of Department of Research. Manage an average of seven researchers in this department and supervise them in their research projects. Did various projects relating to Anthropology and Archaeology in Limpopo Province, Mpumalanga, North West Province and Gauteng. Headed the Museum's Section for Heritage Impact Assessments.
- 1978 1991: Curator of the Anthropological Department of the Museum. Carried out extensive fieldwork in both anthropology and archaeology

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1976 - 1977: Assistant researcher responsible for excavations at various sites in Limpopo Province and Mpumalanga.

Awards and grants

- 1. Hanisch Book Prize for the best final year Archaeology student, University of Pretoria 1976.
- 2. Special merit award, National Cultural History Museum 1986.
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- 4. Grant by the Department of Arts, Culture, Science and Technology, to visit the various African countries to study museums, sites and cultural programmes 1993.
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Publications

Published more than 70 papers, mostly in scientifically accredited journals, but also as chapters in books.

Conference Contributions

Regularly presented papers at conferences, locally as well as internationally, on various research topics, ranging in scope from archaeology, anthropological, historical, cultural historical and tourism development.

Heritage Impact Assessments

Since 1992, I have done more than 2000 Phase 1 and Phase 2 impact assessments (archaeological, anthropological, historical and social) for various government departments and developers. Projects include environmental management frameworks, roads, pipeline-, and power line developments, dams, mining, water purification works, historical landscapes, refuse dumps and urban developments.