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Letter

In terms of Section 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999)

Attention: Department of local government and housing

Proposed Mixed Use land use Township Development for Fortwest Mixed Land Use Development

Thank you for the documentation you have submitted with regards to the above proposed development.

With regards to the report by M. Naude, dated 2012 and titled **Phase 1 Heritage Survey Of Historic Wesfort Leprosy Hospital Site (Pretoria)**, SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites (APM) Unit is satisfied that this report is of a high quality with regards to heritage documentation, directing the approach to the design of future developments, and that the site is of exceptional cultural significance. We also agree with the statement within the Executive Summary of the report, wherein the author states that the report was not drafted as a Heritage Impact Assessment report as no design proposal had been submitted to the heritage specialist and that no impact of the proposed development on the village could be determined.

In the Final Scoping Report titled: 'Proposed Fort West Phase 2 Development on Portion 2 of the farm Fort 646 JR; Portion 3 of the farm Fort 646 JR and; Remaining Extent of the Farm Fort 646 JR', the SAHRA APM Unit supports the recommendation that specialists in the fields of heritage and archaeology be appointed to conduct the Impact Assessments for the project and that the findings of the specialists inputs will be incorporated in the EIA report.

Please note that, in terms of mandated commenting authorities, the Gauteng Provincial Heritage Resources Authority (PHRAG) comments on structures where these heritage features are older than 60 years and still in use, and the SAHRA APM Unit comments on structures that are older than 100 years and in disuse. The heritage report must therefore provide sufficient clarity regarding the nature of structures so that the appropriate commenting authority be clear enough about whichever commenting authority is required. The heritage report must also clearly demonstrate how any heritage resources will be affected by the proposed development, either directly or through secondary impact caused by increased numbers of people having access to the area, and must provide recommendations aimed at mitigating any such impact. If the proposed development will not have any adverse impact on heritage resources, this also needs to be clearly demonstrated within the heritage report.

Should you have any further queries, please contact the designated official using the case number quoted



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above in the case header.

Yours faithfully

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