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Interim Comment

In terms of Section 38(2), 38(3) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999)

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Township Establishment Bloemhof Extension 11 on a portion of the Remaining Extent of Portion 1 and a portion of the Remaining Extent of Portion 15 (a portion of Portion 1) of the farm Klipfontein No. 344-HO comprising 839 erven on a total area of 75,5716 hectares at Bloemhof, North West Province

Lekwa-Teemane Local Municipality appointed Maxim Planning Solutions Proprietary Limited to conduct an application process for the establishment of the proposed township Bloemhof Extension 11 on a portion of the Remaining Extent of Portion 1 and a portion of the Remaining Extent of Portion 15 (a portion of Portion 1) of the farm Klipfontein 344, Registration Division H.O, North West Province. The application is being undertaken in terms of the provisions of Section 59(1) of the Lekwa-Teemane By-Law on Spatial Planning and Land Use Management and Section 107(1) of the Town Planning and Townships Ordinance, 1986 (Ordinance 15 of 1986) read with Sections 41(1)(a) and 42(2)(a) read with paragraph (g)(i) of Schedule 1 of the Spatial Planning and Land Use Management Act, 2013 (Act 16 of 2013).

The proposed development will cover approximately 75, 5716 ha and will comprise 827 Residential 1 erven, three Business 1 erven, three Institutional erven, one Public Open Space erf and streets.

APelser Archaeological Consulting was appointed to provide input for the application.

Pelser, A. 2017. Report on a Phase 1 Heritage Assessment for the Proposed Bloemhof Extensions 11, 12 and 13 township establishment on a portion of 1 and remaining extent of portion 15 and 26 of the farm Klipfontein 344HO, near Bloemhof, North West Province.

The submitted HIA deals with three separate applications, however only Bloemhof Extension 11 will be discussed below.

Two heritage resources were identified within the proposed Bloemhof Extension 11 development area. These include site 7 (earthen dam wall with stone tools in the vicinity) and site 8 (surface occurrence of Stone Age

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lithics). The earthen dam wall was rated as a site of low heritage significance, and the stone tools identified at site 7 and 8 were rated as medium to high significance.

Recommendations provided in the report include the following:

- While the stone tools at sites 7 and 8 were rated as medium to high, a representative sample of the other identified sites in the applications areas adjacent to Bloemhof Extension 11 (i.e. Bloemhof Extension 12 and 13) would suffice as representative samples, Therefore, there is no need to mitigate site 7 and 8;

Should any previously unknown or invisible sites, features or materials be uncovered during any development actions, then an expert should be contacted to investigate and provide recommendations for the way forward.

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As the above referenced legislation does not require an assessment of heritage for such an application, section 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act, Act 25 of 1999 (NHRA) does not apply, however, the proposed development does trigger section 38(1) of the NHRA. Therefore SAHRA is a Competent Authority in terms of this application, and no construction may commence without a Record of Decision in terms of section 38(4) of the NHRA from SAHRA.

SAHRA requests that a desktop Palaeontological Assessment be conducted for the proposed development. Further comments will be issued upon receipt of the above requested information.

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

Yours faithfully

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