

**APPROVED MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF HERITAGE WESTERN CAPE (HWC)
ARCHAEOLOGY, PALAEOLOGY AND METEORITES COMMITTEE (APM)
HELD ON 14 JANUARY 2022, WEDNESDAY ON MICROSOFT TEAMS CAPE TOWN AT 09:00 AM**

1. Opening and Welcome

The Chairperson, Dr Lita Webley officially opened the meeting at 9:00 and welcomed everyone present.

2. Attendance

Members

Dr Lita Webley (LW)
Dr Ragna Redelstorff (RR)
Ms Emmylou Bailey (EB)
Ms Cecilene Muller (CM)
Mr John Gribble (JG)

Members of Staff

Ms Aneeqah Brown (AB) Secretariat
Ms Stephanie Barnardt (SB)
Mr Reagon Fortune (RF)
Ms Change Herman (CH)
Ms Penelope Meyer (PM)
Ms Ayanda Mdludlu (AM)
Mr Robin George (RG)
Ms Corne Nortje (CN)
Ms Waseefa Dhansay (WD)
Ms Natalie Kendrick (NK)

Visitors

Ms Zahra Haghighi

Observers

None

3. Apologies

Wendy Black
Jayson Orton

Absent

None

4. Approval of Agenda

4.1 14 January 2022

The Committee approved the agenda dated 14 January 2022 with additions and amendments. CM moved to adopt the approval of the agenda and JG seconded the approval.

5. Approval of Minutes and Matters Arising from Previous Meeting

5.1 3 November 2021

The Committee reviewed the minutes dated 3 November 2021 and resolved to approve the minutes with no additions or amendments. EB moved to adopt the approval of the minutes and CM seconded.

6. Disclosure of Interest

6.1 None

7. Confidential Matters

7.1 None

8. Appointments

8.1 None

9. Administrative Matters

9.1 Outcome of Appeals

PM reported on the Appeals meeting held on 7 December 2021.

- Proposed Additions and Alterations on Erf 12563, 26 Coronation Road Walmer Estate
HM/WALMER ESTATE/ERF 12563
Case No: 21081111MS0816E
- Proposed Total demolition of Erf 353Re, 6 Kloof Street, Sea Point.
HM/SEA POINT/ERF 353RE
Case No: 21030811KB0920E
- Proposed Development of New Dwellings of Erf 2090, 50 Olivenhout Avenue (S38(1) of the NHRA)
HM/PLATTEKLOOF/ERF 2090
Case No: 21091602SB0920E
- ERVEN 439, 440 & 442, 47 & 49 NAPIER STREET & 13 JARVIS STREET, THE VILLAGE LODGE, DE WATERKANT
HM/DE WATERKANT/ERVEN 439,440 & 442
Case No: 19080507LB0807E

9.2 Committee Workshop

9.3 DEADP: Integrated coastal management in the Western Cape - Comment before 21 January 2022

SB introduced the matter and noted that she had made comments on the draft document. It was concerning that the document made no mention of the (National Heritage Resources Act, no.25 of 1999) NHRA or HWC. LW reported that she had also inserted some comments. She informed the Committee that she would circulate the document and she asked that members make comments before the 21 January 2022.

9.4 Heritage Inspectors

PM reported that clause 4.4. of the Heritage Inspectors Policy provides that members of HWC Council and committees should not be heritage inspector due to potential conflict of interest. The CEO stated that the staff is developing an on-line training course for Heritage Inspectors in anticipation of establishing a fully-fledged course at the Western Cape Government training center.

10. Standing Items

10.1 Clanwilliam Dam – Rock Art panels

SB reported that she had received no further information on this matter. The Committee was waiting for a site inspection report of the Clanwilliam Museum by IZIKO Museum staff before further decisions are made.

10.2 Accidental Finds of Skeletal Remains

10.2.1 Paternoster Cranium

SB reported on the finding of a human cranium at Paternoster shortly before the end of 2021. She was busy with a site inspection report which would be submitted to the committee at the next meeting. The Committee viewed images of the cranium and discussed whether it was archaeological or not. It was recommended that the cranium be submitted to FACT in the interim for a report. In terms of the new legislation, the remains would be sent to IZIKO Museums before, in due course, being reburied.

10.3 Sayers Lane, Simonstown

LW requested that the item remain on the agenda until the reburial of the human remains in terms of the permit conditions. The Committee was waiting for information from the Dutch Embassy. SB to follow up.

11 Site Inspection

12 Proposed Site Inspection

12.1 None

13 Site Inspection Report

13.1 None

14 Report back on Council

None

15. Policy and Procedures

15.1 Draft for comment- SAPS and HWC Accidental Finds Protocol and Procedure - added visual aid

SB had circulated a visual aid which she had compiled for distribution to SAPS. The Committee commented that the document should include images of above ground burial markers (i.e., burial cairns, etc) as well as an image of a burial in a foetal position, and a clearer image of a shell midden. It would benefit from close up images of the artefacts, commonly associated with historical burials. The Committee discussed the contact names and numbers on the document, which could include the phone number of the State Forensic Pathologist as well as that of HWC. LW requested that Committee members send images to SB as soon as possible.

MATTERS DISCUSSED

16. SECTION 35 PERMIT APPLICATION

16.1 Proposed analysis of samples from Klipdrift complex and Blombos Cave, De Hoop Nature Reserve:NM HM/ OVERBERG/SWELLENDAM/DE HOOP NATURE RESERVE/PORTION 20 OF FARM Case No: 21102906SB1119E

Application form and relevant documentation prepared by Zahra Haghighi

Ms Stephanie Barnardt introduced the item.

Ms Zahra Haghighi was present and took part in the discussion.

DISCUSSION:

Amongst other things, the following was discussed:

- The permit application is for the analysis of protein residues from Later and Middle Stone Age material from Klipdrift and Blombos Caves.
- The permit was applied for by Ms Haghighi and the material will be taken to the University of Bergen in Norway.
- Analysis will be undertaken in Denmark and an export permit will be required from SAHRA.
- The Committee commented on the proposed analysis of the sheep bone and Ms Haghighi was present to explain the procedure. GFS8 is a layer at Blombos Cave.
- In terms of S35, a new application will be required for the expired permit in respect of the excavations at Blombos Cave as the previous permit has expired.

RECORD OF DECISION

The Committee resolved to approve the permit for Ms Haghighi of the University of Bergen to undertake the protein analysis.

SB

17. SECTION 35 PERMIT REPORTS

17.1 Progress Report for Excavation, Collection and Use of Excavation Equipment for the Collection of Guadalupian and Permian Fossils in the Roggeveld, Central Karoo: MA HM\CENTRAL KAROO\LAINGSBURG\PALAEONTOLOGY PERMIT 2016 Case No: 16020902GT0218E

Permit progress report prepared by Prof Bruce Rubidge

Ms Stephanie Barnardt introduced the item.

DISCUSSION:

Amongst other things, the following was discussed:

- The progress report does not conform to HWC minimum standards as there are no maps, images and no summary of the significance of the finds.

COMMENT

The Committee thanks the applicant for the progress report and looks forward to the final report which meets the HWC Minimum standard of Archaeology and Palaeontology reports (June 2021).

SB

**17.2 Progress Report for U-Th dating of material from Klipdrift Shelter, De Hoop Nature Reserve, Portion of Farm 516, Swellendam:MA
HM/ OVERBERG/SWELLENDAM/DE HOOP NATURE RESERVE/PORTION OF FARM 516
Case No: 18100911AS1011E**

Permit report prepared by Dr. Niespolo

Ms Stephanie Barnardt introduced the item.

DISCUSSION:

Amongst other things, the following was discussed:

- The Committee notes that analysis is still ongoing, although the title of the report suggests that this is a final report.

COMMENT

The committee looks forward to receiving the final report which includes the results of the analyses.

SB

18. SECTION 35 REGISTRATION OF REPOSITORIES

18.1 None

19. SECTION 36 PERMIT APPLICATION

19.1 None

20. SECTION 36 PERMIT REPORT

20.1 None

21. SECTION 38 NID

21.1 None

22. SECTION 38 WORKPLAN APPLICATIONS

22.1 None

23. SECTION 38 WORKPLAN REPORT

23.1 None

24. SECTION 38 (8) HIA

24.1 None

25. SECTION 38 (4) HIA

25.1 None

26. Section 34 - ALTERATIONS/ADDITIONS/PARTIAL DEMOLITION

26.1 None

27. SECTION 38 (1) NID

27.1 None

28. REQUEST FOR EXCEPTION/OPINION/ADVICE

28.1 None

29. SECTION 38 (8) TO OTHER AUTHORITIES

29.1 None

30. SECTION 27: PROVINCIAL HERITAGE SITE

30.1 None

31. REPORT BACK FROM OTHER MEETINGS WHEN RELEVANT

32. OTHER MATTERS

33. ADOPTION OF DECISIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

The Committee adopted the resolutions and decisions. CM moves to adopt the decisions and resolutions and JG seconded.

34. CLOSURE

The meeting adjourned at: 11:10

35. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

2 February 2022

CHAIRPERSON _____

L. E. Webley

DATE 2 March 2022

SECRETARY: A. Brown

DATE: 2 March 2022