

**APPROVED MINUTES OF A MEETING OF HERITAGE WESTERN CAPE (HWC)  
INVENTORIES, GRADING AND INTERPRETATION COMMITTEE (IGIC) HELD ON 5<sup>th</sup> AUGUST  
2022, AT 09H00 VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS**

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**1. Opening and Welcome**

The Chairperson, Mr Ron Martin officially opened the meeting at 9:00 and welcomed everyone present.

**2. Attendance**

**Members**

Mr Ron Martin (RM)  
Ms Lynn Abrahams (LA)  
Dr Bongani Ndhlovu (BN)  
Ms Maureen Wolters (MW)

**Members of Staff**

Mr Nosiphiwo Tafeni (NT)  
Ms Colette Scheermeyer (CS)  
Ms Penelope Meyer (PM)  
Mr Jonathan Windvogel (JW)  
Ms Reagon Fortune (RF)  
Ms Ayanda Mdludlu (AM)  
Ms Sneha Jhupsee (SJ)  
Ms Natalie Kendrick (NK)  
Mr Robin George (RG)  
Ms Sneha Jhupsee (SJ)  
Ms Cecilene Muller (CM)

**Visitors**

Ms Jenna Lavine,  
Ms Claire Abrahams,  
Ms Cindy Rose,  
Mr Paul Naylor,  
Mr Johann Loubser,  
Mr Nicholas Smith,  
Mr Randolph Daames,  
Ms Sandra van der Merwe,  
Ms Petra Broddle,  
Ms Sussan Mosdell  
Mr Leonel Marias

Ms Ntombi Nkoane,  
Mr Nicholas Wilcher,  
Ms Estelle du Plessis,  
Mr Graig Guthrie,  
Ms Leoniel Marias,  
Sheik Muttaqin Rakieq,  
Mr Wynand Claassen,  
Ms Bridget O 'Donoghue,  
Mr Andre Vercueil,  
Mr David Hart  
Mr Bongani Sithole

**Observers**

None

**3. Apologies**

**Absent**

None

#### **4. Approval of Agenda**

##### **4.1 Dated 10<sup>th</sup> August 2022**

The Committee approved the agenda dated 10<sup>th</sup> August 2022 with additions. BN approved and MW seconded.

#### **5. Approval of the previous minutes**

5.1 Minutes of the 4<sup>th</sup> February, 6 May & 7 June 2022 to be approved in the next IGIC Committee meeting.

#### **6. Disclosure of Interest**

6.1 None

#### **7. Confidential matters**

7.1 None

#### **8. Appointments**

8.1 None

#### **9 Administrative Matters**

9.1 None

#### **10. Proposed Site inspections and site inspection reports**

##### **10.1. Proposed Site inspections**

- 10.1.1 Farm 731, Ganzekraal, West Coast
- 10.1.2 Newlands Rugby Stadium
- 10.1.3 Erf 2340, Wesleyan Church, Robertson
- 10.1.4 Erf 6459, 126 Dorp Street, Stellenbosch

**JW**

#### **11. Policy matters**

11.1. None

#### **12. Surveys**

12.1 Knysna Municipality Heritage Survey

Mr Jonathan Windvogel presented the item

Ms Jenna Lavine, Ms Ntombi Nkoane, Ms Claire Abrahams, Nicholas Wilcher, Mr Randolph Daames and Ms Cindy Rose, were present and took part in the meeting.

## DISCUSSION

Amongst other things, the following was discussed:

- This project was funded by the Department of Economic Development and Tourism as they had some funding for special projects and one of the special projects on the list was an update of the existing heritage resources inventory for the Knysna Municipality historic core and the development of a heritage digital tool for use of the Knysna Municipality.
- The idea behind this project was to update the existing 2009 heritage inventory for Knysna but with specific focus on the built environment, as this was the terms of reference agreed on with the Department of Economic Development and Tourism. However, the applicants fully acknowledge that the built environment is only one small component of the kinds of heritage resources that may be present within the study area, and further recommendations about this is put forth in their report.

## DECISION

The committee made the following decision:

1. The IGIC endorses the gradings proposed, the special character areas and scenic routes as identified.
2. The data is to be uploaded to SAHRIS;
3. The Knysna Heads Cultural Landscape is to be recommended as a Grade II, Provincial Heritage Site.
4. The Special Character Areas and Scenic Routes identified in the report must be integrated into the Spatial Development Framework for the Knysna Municipality as per Section 31 of the NHRA.
5. The heritage resources identified should be formally protected through placement on the Heritage Register and the declaration as Heritage Areas, once the relevant regulations are gazetted as per Section 30 and 31 of the NHRA.
6. Once endorsed, HWC must be approached to lift Section 34 of the NHRA for the structures graded as NCW.
7. The identification and recording of heritage resources within the following typologies and places should be pursued in subsequent projects carried out by the Knysna Municipality and the relevant Provincial Department.
  - a. The identification of rural landscape character areas within the broader Knysna area.
  - b. The identification of significant rural heritage resources, both archaeological and built environment.
  - c. The identification of significant heritage resources of intangible or social significance.
  - d. The assessment of the suburb of Leisure Island.

JW

### 13. Proposed nominations of Provincial Heritage Sites

#### 13.1 Athlone Power Station, Athlone (Matter Arising)

Mr Jonathan Windvogel presented the item

Mr Nicholas Smith, Mr Bongani Sithole and Ms Sandra van der Merwe were present and took part in the meeting.

## DISCUSSION

Amongst other things, the following was discussed:

- At the meeting of 4<sup>th</sup> February 2022, the committee decided to proceed with Chapter 2 in terms of Section 27(8) (d) of the NHRA and extended the consultation period with the owner for a further

45 days.

- A response from Nicholas Smith Attorneys was received and, in this response, he puts forward that none of the structures on any part of the property should be subjected to a Provincial Heritage Site declaration as none of these resources are at risk.

#### **DECISION**

The committee resolved to proceed with the notification in terms of S27(8)(a)-(c) of the NHRA. The latest revised boundaries as proposed by DOCOMOMO will form the basis for further negotiation. The concerns raised by the City of Cape Town are noted.

**JW**

### 13.2 Newlands Rugby Stadium (New Matter)

Mr Jonathan Windvogel presented the item

Mr Wynand Claassen, Mr Leonel Marias and Ms Bridget O 'Donoghue were present and took part in the discussion.

#### **DISCUSSION**

Amongst other things, the following was discussed:

- The stadium was constructed in about 1880 and it was added to during the later years.
- The site is said to have representativity, rarity, historical, cultural, scientific as well as social significance.
- It's said that Newlands Rugby Stadium is the oldest existing rugby stadium in the world.

#### **DECISION**

Committee resolved to initiate the 30-day consultation period with the owner in terms of S27(8)(d) of the NHRA. The committee further resolved to undertake a site inspection.

**JW**

### 13.3 Imam Abdol Rakiep, Grave, Mowbray Cemetery (Matter Arising)

Mr Jonathan Windvogel presented the item

#### **DISCUSSION**

Amongst other things, the following was discussed:

- After the 30-day owner consultation, the owner stated that they had no further feedback on the matter.
- The committee is still of the opinion that the site is of possible Grade II status and that the next stage of the nomination process should continue.

#### **DECISION**

The committee resolved to initiate the 60-day consultation period with the interested and affected parties in terms of S27(8)(a)-(c) of the NHRA.

**JW**

### 13.4 Farm 731, Ganzekraal, West Coast (Matter Arising)

Mr Jonathan Windvogel presented the item

**DISCUSSION**

Amongst other things, the following was discussed:

- The committee could not undertake the site inspection as previously decided.

**DECISION**

The matter is held over to the IGIC next meeting. Committee further resolved to undertake a site inspection.

**JW**

13.5 Buitenmeent Farm 971, Groenekloof, Mamre (Matter Arising)

Mr Jonathan Windvogel presented the item

**DISCUSSION**

Amongst other things, the following was discussed:

- The matter was tabled on the 6<sup>th</sup> of May 2022.
- A site inspection was previously undertaken by the committee.
- At the meeting of the 6 May 2022, the committee resolve the finalise the proposed boundaries and the gazette notice and to table it at the meeting of 5 August 2022.

**HELD OVER**

The matter is held over until further negotiation and engagement with the owners and the interested and affected parties regarding the outstanding issues relating to the proposed extent of the declaration and the site narratives are resolved.

**JW**

**14. Provincial Heritage Site plaque replacement**

14.1 Erf 2340, Wesleyan Church, Robertson (New Matter)

Mr Jonathan Windvogel presented the item

**HELD OVER**

The matter is held over to the next IGIC Committee Meeting. The Committee further resolved to undertake a site inspection.

**JW**

14.2 Erf 6459, 126 Dorp Street, Stellenbosch (New Matter)

Mr Jonathan Windvogel presented the item

Ms Ms Estelle du Plessis was present and took part in the discussion.

**DISCUSSION**

Amongst other things, the following was discussed:

- The structure was built in 1890 and was declared a National Monument in 1979.
- It is said to have been part of the Grand Hotel.
- The plaque was stolen, and the application is for new plaque to display the heritage status of the property.
- The structure forms an integral part of the historical streetscape.
- In the Stellenbosch Historic Core survey, the building was assessed as being of a Grade IIIA significance.

#### **HELD OVER**

The matter is held over to the next IGIC Committee Meeting. The Committee further resolved to undertake a site inspection.

**JW**

#### **15. Proposed Provisional Protection**

15.1 None

#### **16. Conservation Body Registration**

16.1 None

#### **17. Conservation Management Plans**

17.1 None

#### **18. Other Matters**

18.1 Matzikama Integrated Zoning Scheme By-Law

Mr Jonathan Windvogel presented the item

#### **DISCUSSION**

Amongst other things, the following was discussed:

- It was noted that there are many small towns within the jurisdiction of the Matzikama Municipality, which is worrying, as no heritage surveys has been done for any of these resources within these areas.
- This is confirmed within the document submitted by the Matzikama Municipality, that no heritage related studies have been undertaken to inform the Municipal Spatial Development Framework, because of lack of funding.

#### **DECISION**

In terms of the National Heritage Resources Act 25 of 1999, the municipality is required by law to do the following:

- a) In terms of Section 30(5) of the NHRA, the municipality must compile an inventory/survey of all the heritage resources which fall within its area of jurisdiction and submit such inventory/survey to Heritage Western Cape for approval.
- b)
- c) The municipality must also in terms of Section 31(1) of the NHRA investigate the need for the designation of Heritage Areas to protect any place of environmental or cultural interest, within its jurisdiction.

The Municipality is therefore urged to compile heritage surveys for all heritage resources, within its jurisdiction, in order to inform its Spatial Development Frameworks, Zoning Scheme By-Laws, Development Guidelines and any other related planning policy/legislation.

**JW**

#### **19. ADOPTION OF DECISIONS AND RESOLUTIONS**

The Committee adopted the resolutions and decisions. LA moved to adopt the decisions and resolutions and MW seconded.

**20. CLOSURE**

The meeting adjourned at: 15:32

**21. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:**

4 November 2022

**CHAIRPERSON** \_\_\_\_\_

**DATE** \_\_\_\_\_

**SECRETARY** \_\_\_\_\_

**DATE** \_\_\_\_\_

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