APPROVED MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF HERITAGE WESTERN CAPE, APPEALS COMMITTEE



Held on Monday, 5th December 2022 via Microsoft Teams, scheduled for 08:30

As there were newly appointed Council members who had been seconded to the Committee, an acting chair needed to be elected by the Committee. AM proposed Mr Gregory Ontong and MM seconded. Mr Ontong accepted the nomination and chaired the meeting.

Opening and Welcome

Attendance

Committee Members:

Mr Gregory Ontong (GO) Dr Antonia Malan (AM) Dr Andre van Graan (AvG) Dr Nicolas Baumann (NB) Adv Mandla Mdludlu (MM)

Members of Staff:

Ms Nosiphiwo Tafeni (NT)
Ms Penelope Meyer (PM)
Ms Colette Scheermeyer (CS)
Ms Waseefa Dhansay (WD)
Ms Ayanda Mdludlu (AM)
Ms Corne Nortje (CN)
Ms Sneha Jhupsee (SJ)
Ms Stephanie-Ann Barnardt (SB)
Mr Thando Zingange (TZ)
Mr Robin George (RG)

Visitors:

Item 9.1 Dr Reinier Bence Ms Bridget O 'Donoghue

Item 10.1 Mr Desmond Brandt

Item 10.2 Ms Bridget O 'Donoghue

Item 10.3 Ms Nicolene Visser

Item 10.4 Ms Jenna Lavin

Apologies

None

3. Absent

None

4. Approval of Agenda

4.1 Dated 5th December 2022

The Agenda dated 5th December 2022 was approved.

5. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

5.1 Appeals Minutes dated 12 October 2022

The minutes dated 12 October 2022 to be approved at the next Appeals meeting on the 11th of January 2023.

6. Disclosure and Conflicts of Interest

None.

7 Confidential Matters

None.

8 Administrative Matters

8.1 Outcome of MEC Tribunal Appeals and Recent Court Decisions

` PM reported that there had been no Tribunal outcomes to report on.

8.2 Report back from HWC Council

GO and MM reported back on the inaugural Council meeting held on 17 November 2022.

8.3 Site Visits Conducted

S27 Proposed additions and alterations on Erf 138 & 3110, 19 Mead Way, Pinelands HM/CAPE TOWN METROPOLITAN/PINELANDS/ERF 138 & 3110 Case No: 22023030TZ0304E (Item 10.1)

8.4 Potential Site Visits

Proposed Additions & Alterations and Partial Demolition on Erf 3035, 51 Bryant Street, Bo-Kaap

HM/CAPE TOWN METROPOLITAN/BO-KAAP/ERF 3035

Case No: 22091502RG0915E (Item 10.5)

8.5 Discussion of the Agenda

None

9 Matters Arising

9.1 ERF 19506, DUPLEX 7, UNIT 213, PAARDEVLEI LIVESTYLE ESTATE, SOMERSET WEST HM/CAPE TOWN METROPOLITAN/SOMERSET WEST/ ERF 19506

Case No: 22031507MS0411E

Ms Muneerah Solomon introduced the item.

Appeal against the IACom decision.

Dr Reinier Bence (owner) and Bridget O'Donoghue (Heritage Consultant) were present and made the following arguments:

- The proposed intervention has no effect on the Crescent houses.
- It faces away towards the new housing development, as is part of the new housing development.
- The Estate Management has been consulted and concurs with the heritage consultant's opinion.

DISCUSSION

Amongst other things, the following was discussed by the Committee:

- The degree of compliance with previously approved regulations and guidelines relating to the managing of heritage significance for the Crescent.
- A concern was that there may be an impact on the Crescent houses, which are within a PHS and HPOZ.
- The context is within the contemporary component, and this proposal has no impact on the historic Crescent houses.
- The information provided has provided clarity.

DECISION

The Appeal is upheld.

MS

10. New Matters

10.1 S27 Proposed additions and alterations on Erf 138 & 3110, 19 Mead Way, Pinelands HM/CAPE TOWN METROPOLITAN/PINELANDS/ERF 138 & 3110 Case No: 22023030TZ0304E

Mr Thando Zingange introduced the item.

Appeal against the BELCom decision.

Mr Desmond Brandt (Architect) was present and made the following arguments:

• The position of the carport was dictated by the Council restrictions and was the only position in which 2 cars could be accommodated.

DISCUSSION

Amongst other things, the following was discussed by the Committee:

- There is no objection to a carport, but the design should be lighter and more recessive and unobtrusive.
- The proposal to place tiles on the carport roof parapet is not supported.
- The house is in a very visible position within the PHS and the carport could have an impact on the street.

FURTHER REQUIREMENTS

The replication of the tiled roof treatment of the carport parapet is not acceptable. The applicant is to prepare a new design which is lighter, more recessive and less intrusive and which omits the roof tiles, in consultation with the EHRM branch of the City of Cape Town. The revised proposal is to be submitted to the HWC Appeals Committee.

TZ

10.2 Erven 4339, RE of 4347, RE of 9745 and 117665, St. Georges Street and Strand Street Cape Town

HM/ CAPE TOWN METROPOLITAN / CAPE TOWN CBD / ERVEN 4339, RE OF ERF 4347, RE OF ERF 9745 AND 117665

Case No: 22091207CN1010E

Ms Corne Nortje introduced the item.

Appeal against the HOMs decision.

Ms Bridget O'Donoghue was present and made the following arguments:

- A thorough HIA was conducted for a previous proposal which envisaged a demolition and the construction of a very tall building.
- That proposed development was approved by HWC but was not proceeded with.
- The present proposal is to simply refurbish and improve the present building to make it more commercially viable.
- As such, there would be minimal impact on the context, and any impact would most likely be positive.

DISCUSSION

Amongst other things, the following was discussed by the Committee:

- The Committee agreed that the intervention is not of such a nature that it would necessitate an HIA.
- The existing building is not an Art Deco building and is not a heritage resource.
- The heritage resource is cultural association with the site, not with the building.
- The proposal will enhance the building and the corner and street interface.
- The City of Cape Town is best placed to manage the development.

DECISION

The appeal is upheld. An HIA is not required

CN

10.3 PTN 2 of Farm De Leeuw No 527, Paarl HM/CAPE WINELANDS/DRAKENTEIN/PAARL/FPTN 2 OF FARM DE LEEUW NO.527 Case No: 22082502\$B0830E

Mr Stephanie-Ann Barnardt introduced the item.

Appeal against the HOMs decision.

Ms Nicolene Visser was present and made the following argument:

• The proposal falls within the Drakenstein Scenic Route Overlay Zone as depicted in the Drakenstein Town Planning By-Law dated March 2018.

DISCUSSION

Amongst other things, the following was discussed by the Committee:

- The appellant made a statement that the proposed development did not fall within a scenic route. The Committee requires clarity on this point.
- A Visual Impact Assessment may be applicable, though the site is not clearly visible from the road.
- It is considered that the local authority is best placed to comment.

FURTHER REQUIREMENTS

The appellant is to provide comment from the Drakenstein Municipality and registered conservation bodies with specific reference to any possible impact on the scenic route.

SB

10.4 Farm No. 717 & PTN 2 & 4 of Farm No:1595, Stellenbosch HM/CAPE WINELAND/ STELLENBOSCH/ FARM NO.717 & PTN 2&4 OF FARM NO.1595 Case No: HWC22101205AM1012

Ms Ayanda Mdludlu introduced the item.

Appeal against the HOMs decision.

Ms Jenna Lavin (Heritage Consultant) was present and presented the following argument in support of the Appeal:

- The reference to a residential development was an error in the NID form.
- The proposal was merely to clear land for agricultural purposes.
- The land was previously under cultivation and had lain fallow for approximately 10 years.
- Accordingly, the use would be predominantly agricultural and would not have a negative visual impact.

DISCUSSION

Amongst other things, the following was discussed by the Committee:

- Concern was expressed by committee members regarding the statement that
 the reference to a residential development in the NID form was an error. The
 Committee must make a decision on the information given on the form.
- If a decision was taken that an HIA was not required based on the submitted (incorrect) form, this could have the potential to be used to justify a residential development.
- HWC has to consider the information before it, as it cannot accept the later notification of the error.
- A corrected NID form needed to be submitted.

DECISION

The Appeal is dismissed. A new NID application and associated documents need to be submitted to HWC.

10.5	Proposed Additions & Alterations and Partial Demolition on Erf 3035, 51 Bryant Street, Bo- Kaap HM/CAPE TOWN METROPOLITAN/BO-KAAP/ERF 3035 Case No: 22091502RG0915E	
	HELD OVER	
	The item was held over for a site inspection to be (GO, AvG, NB, AM).	e held on 13 December 2022 at 10h00
		RG
11.	Other Matters	
11.1	Athlone Power Station Erf RE 32564, Athlone HM/CAPE TOWN METROPOLITAN/ATHLONE/ ATHLONE POWER STATION ERF 32564 Case No: N/A	
	Mr Jonathan Windvogel introduced the item.	
	Appeal against the IGIC decision.	
	For noting.	
		JW
12.	Proposed next date of the meeting:	11th January 2022
13.	Adoption of decisions and resolutions The Committee unanimously resolved to adopt the decisions and resolutions dated 5 th December 2022.	
14.	Closure: The meeting was adjourned at 12:00	
	MINUTES APPROVED AND SIGNED BY:	
	CHAIRPERSON DA	TE
	SECRETARY DA	TE