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## To whom it may concern

## PRE- APPLICATIONS AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION DURING THE DECEMBER SCHOOL **HOLIDAYS 2021/2022**

- 1. Discussion with L. Waring dated 19 October 2021 refers. The letter dated 27 September 2021 is formally withdrawn.
- 2. The last pre-application meeting for 2021 will take place on 08 December 2021. The closing date for submissions to is meeting will be 06 December 2021. Applicants may however continue to submit their pre-application forms after this date, but these will only be attended to at the 1st preapplication meeting of 2022, which will take place on 12 January 2022.
- 3. In terms of Section 35(3) of the Land Use Planning By-Law for George Municipality, and delegation WW.1.63 of 2015, the advertisement and comment period (Public Participation Process) may not occur during or co-inside with the December School Holidays which is from 15 December 2021 to 12 January 2022.
- 4. The Public Participation Process may proceed from 10 January 2022.
- 5. Notwithstanding paragraphs 3 and 4 the commenting period for all external departments and/or IAPs may proceed during the December School Holidays provided that an additional 14 days are given (i.e. 74 days) to these bodies and that they are also given a reminder to comment (in January 2022) 14days before closing date of the commenting period.
- 6. Paragraphs 3 and 4 does not apply to applications where the consent from the adjacent property owners were obtained or where no public participation is required.
- 7. The Section 38 request for all applications requiring public participation should be send on or before 27<sup>th</sup> of October 2021. Incomplete applications will be returned to the applicant and the revised









submission will be addressed in a chronological order. Should amendments to the application be required, the final complete application must reach the department by 3 November 2021 to enable us to issue the Section 38 compliance letter by 10 November 2021. This will enable applicant to commence with the public participation within the given timeframe.

8. These measures are applied to ensure the SPLUMA principle of good administration is endorsed in the land development processes whereby an open and transparent participation process is promoted, affording interested and affected parties a fair opportunity to participate in the public participation processes.

Yours faithfully,

**Lauren Waring** 

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