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Thanks Corlie, noted with thanks.

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Dear Cliff,

Thank you for the prompt response, it is much appreciated.

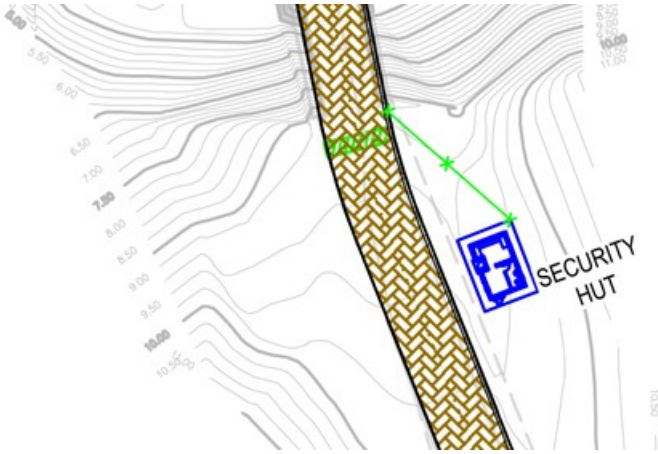
Zutari has liaised with Mornay De Vos (District Manager: Operations Southeast) and the following is noted:

1. Operations Wastewater Branch has agreed in principle to the long-term maintenance of the security hut along the access road (Tie Road) and the perimeter road. They have also agreed to the long-term maintenance of the access road, however, have noted that this is a City resource and support may be required from Biodiversity Management Branch and other directorates within the City of Cape Town (i.e., Urban Mobility)
2. The security hut to be manned by guards supplied by the Biodiversity Management Branch, and general housekeeping being managed by the Biodiversity Management Branch

It is recommended that Biodiversity Management Branch liaises with Operations Wastewater Branch further to finalise particulars of the above-mentioned arrangement and that this is concluded outside of the Basic Assessment process.

Zutari can also confirm that the request for the 2-meter-high fencing can be accommodated from the end of the bridge to the back corner of the guardhouse on the layout.

This <20-meter section has been amended on the final layout plan (snippet below) and the project description of the Final BAR has been updated to reflect this change.



Kind regards

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Importance: High

Dear Corlie

Following our meeting this morning, Lewine and I conducted a quick site visit to assess the location of the proposed security hut.

The Biodiversity Management Branch can confirm that we are indeed supportive of the final layout and that no section of the perimeter road is on Erf 703. Erf 703 is reserved for the Environment Management Department (EMD) for biodiversity management purposes and is in the process of being gazetted as a Nature Reserve. It is noted and supported that there will be a short slip road and access control building for the Waste Water Treatment Works partially on Erf 703 and Erf 707 (both reserved for EMD and Biodiversity). The main access control building to the works encroaches on a rather steep dune to the east. As noted below, care must be taken not to destabilise this dune as it will greatly increase the disturbance to the natural vegetation and the sand movement may also threaten the infrastructure in future.

With regards to the guardhouse near the bridge for access control (Erf 708 – also reserved for EMD and Biodiversity), we can confirm that it is indeed correctly located in the layout plan. We are pleased that there will be no fencing along the access road through the nature reserve but would request if a small section of 2 meter high clear-view fencing, or similar, could be included from the end of the bridge to the back corner of the guardhouse to ensure pedestrians have to walk past the control point and to ensure the staff manning the gate house. This <20 meter section is indicated by the red line below:



Can we please also get clarity on which line functions will be responsible for long-term maintenance of the guardhouse, Tie Road and the perimeter road?

Thank you and please let us know if you require any additional information.

Kind regards

Cliff

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Dear Cliff and Lewine,

Thank you for making the time early this morning to meet and to discuss the matter below.

Comment received from DEA&DP on 14 February 2025 asked specifically that a revised comment must be obtained from the City of Cape Town: Biodiversity Management Department (BMD) in reference to the quoted section below:

Botanical Impacts:

1. *The City of Cape Town's Biodiversity Management Department's comment on the draft BAR indicated "The perimeter road on the norther boundary of the WWTW falls within the existing Conservation Area on the site layout plan. This must be moved into the development footprint on Erf No. 1205." The Environmental Assessment Practitioner's ("EAP's) response indicates that the road falls outside Erf 1205 and falls on Erf No. 703 (owned by the City of Cape Town) and the property is zoned Agriculture. According to the City of Cape Town's GIS Map viewer, the area is indicated as a Protected Area and Critical Biodiversity Area. It is therefore the EAP's understanding that although the area is indicated as a Protected Area, the proclamation process has not been completed and the road thus falls within a CBA. Further, amendments will be made to the layout of the WWTW to ensure it is fully located on Erf No. 1205 and the gravel road be located on the area shown as the "washdown area". The majority of the road will be on Erf No. 1205, but a slip connecting onto a tie road will still fall on Erf No. 703 in order to ensure the public has access to the Macassar beach without entering the WWTW.*

Based on this morning's meeting via MS Teams, it is Zutari's understanding that the BMD is satisfied that the final layout [as shared with your department on 17 February, email attached and layouts attached again for ease of reference] has been amended to ensure that the perimeter road on the northern side of the WWTW is now fully located within Erf 1205. Apart from the gravel road slip connecting onto Tie road (which falls on Erf 703), the majority of the perimeter road is located on Erf 1205. This is to ensure the public has free access to the Macassar beach without entering the WWTW. Zutari understands from our meeting that BMD is also satisfied with this layout.

Furthermore, we confirm that the BMD is satisfied with the placement of the guardhouse, and notes the reasons given by the technical team as to why it has been placed in the current location.

Zutari acknowledges the BMD's concern relating to cutting into the dune at the guardhouse (canopy on eastern side of guardhouse) and that extra care must be taken to minimise any such cutting or ideally to avoid cutting into the dune entirely.

Zutari acknowledges the concerns raised with the regards to the location of the Security Hut and await final confirmation from BMD if relocation is required.

We acknowledge that the BMD wishes for the footprint to remain “the footprint” and that all edge effects and cutting into dunes must be avoided where possible and if not avoidable, to be minimised. In this regard, the EMPr includes measures to address this matter as per our previous correspondence (Annexure 1) of 18 February 2025.

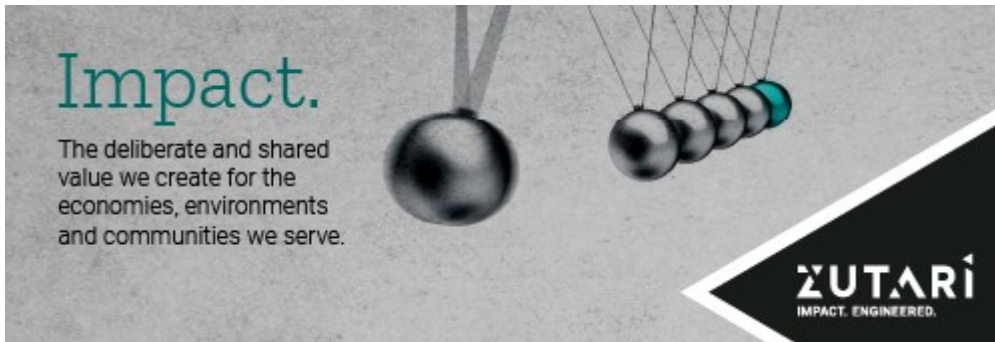
We trust that you find the above satisfactory and are awaiting your confirmation of the above and of the position of the security hut (after 1 pm today).

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