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Menslike Nedersettings, Beplanning en Ontwikkeling **Human Settlements, Planning and Development**

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Reference / Verwysing: Erf 1765, Wilderness

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APPLICATION FOR CONSENT USE: ERF 1765, WILDERNESS

Your application in the above regard refers.

The Deputy Director: Planning (Authorised Official) has, under delegated authority, 4.17.1.17 of 30 June 2022 decided that the application in terms of Section 15(2)(o) of the Land Use Planning By-Law of George Municipality, 2023 for Consent for a 15m tree Freestanding Base Telecommunication Station on Erf 1765, Wilderness:

BE REFUSED in terms of Section 60 of said By-law for the following reasons:

REASONS FOR DECISION

- (a) The proposed freestanding base telecommunication station design is not considered compatible with the existing rural and natural character of the property and area.
- (b) The proposed freestanding base telecommunication station will have a negative impact on the pristine natural appearance of the area, including the natural heritage associated with this area.
- (c) The proposed freestanding base telecommunication station does not provide sufficient mitigating factors to support the development considering potential visual impacts.
- (d) The application does not align with the requirements and criteria determined in the Telecommunication Policy, 2023, which criteria is designed to ensure compatibility of the structure within the area it is erected and to preserve sense of place.
- (e) Alternative sites for the proposed freestanding base telecommunication station were not investigated or considered.

You have the right to appeal to the Appeal Authority against the decision of the Authorised Employee in terms of Section 79(2) of the Land Use Planning By-Law for George Municipality, 2023.





A detailed motivated appeal with reasons should be directed to the Appeal Authority and received by the Director: Human Settlements, Planning and Development, P O Box 19, George, 6530 or Directorate: Human Settlements, Planning and Development, 5th floor, Civic Centre, York Street, George on or before 07 FEBRUARY 2025 and simultaneously submit a copy of the appeal on any person who commented, made representations or objected to the application in the above regard. Please also note that the appeal must be e-mailed to the administrative officer mentioned above.

An appeal that is not lodged within the applicable period mentioned above or that does not comply with Section 79 of the Land Use Planning By-Law for George Municipality, 2023, will be deemed invalid in terms of Section 80 of said By-Law.

Kindly note that no appeal right exists in terms of Section 62 of the Local Government Municipal Systems Act, No 32 of 2000.

Please also note that in terms of Section 80(14) of the Land Use Planning By-Law for George Municipality, 2023, the above decision is suspended until such time as the period for lodging an/appeal(s) has lapsed, any appeal(s) has been finalised and you have been advised accordingly.

Yours faithfully

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ACTING SENIOR MANAGER: TOWN PLANNING

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