

1.	Present: William Martinson (WM), Jonathan Stone (JS), David Gibbs (DG), Elwyn Harlech-Jones (EHJ), Yasmin Mayat (YM), Quahnita Samie (QS), Bruce Eitzen (BE) Ex-Officio: Richard Hill (RH) Secretary: Grace Martinson (GVM)	Action
2.	Apologies: Ex-Officio: Gavin McLachlan (GM)	
3.	Opening and welcome WM welcomed all present.	
4.	Approval of the minutes of the previous meetings: - 04 July 2024 - Minutes approved: Proposed: JS, Seconded: BE	
5.	Matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting - Noted as per portfolios on the agenda.	
6.	 Professionalisation (EHJ/GM/RH) EHJ noted that a letter was sent to SAHRA on 10th July 2024 and a reply received from Luyanda Mpahlwa (the Chairperson SAHRA) on the same day, stating that, "On a cursory look, the meeting is required and urgent to address some of the challenges and organisation like SAHRA is facing on professionalisation in the heritage sector" but nothing further has transpired. RH confirmed with WM that there has been no further communication received. QS provided feedback that she has not had an in-person meeting with Ben Mwasinga, only a brief telephonic discussion where Ben said that they are finding a time for the meeting between APHP and the newly established internal committee for professionalisation (headed up by Natasha Higgitt and Lesa as the Policy and Skills Development Specialist). QS noted their positive intentions and will continue to communicate with Ben in order to set up a meeting date. EHJ suggested a further letter thanking Ben Maswinga and proposing a few dates to meet. Supported by QS. RH will prepare the letter. 	RH, QS
7.	 Transformation - QS QS thanked RH for the Transformation document from EAPASA and will continue working on the Transformation Policy and strategy for APHP. QS spoke about the seminar to be held on 14th of August 2024 by SAPI Western Cape Heritage Seminar and the importance of APHP members and especially ExCo members attending the seminar as Ben Maswinga will be speaking and transformation will be high on the agenda. The invitation to the seminar will be shared with all APHP members. JS thanked QS for moving ahead with this as APHP has been in somewhat of a stasis on this topic. DG noted that similar problems in transformation exist in Landscape Architecture, where it's often been a specialisation (previously it was a postgrad and only recently an undergraduate degree) and similarly with heritage practice, which means it's quite difficult to reach a younger generation. One has to start infiltrating heritage and heritage practice 	QS GM



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9.	Membership - JS	
	Current APHP membership numbers:	
	• Professional: 85	
	 Candidate: 22 	
	 Associate: 10 (Vikash Maharaj - new associate) 	
	 No longer members as of 2023/24 year: 12 	
	• JS noted:	
	 The membership database remains under development. 	
	 Membership categories need to be developed. One way of broadening the 	
	membership is to add to the categories thus making it inclusive. Understanding	GVM
	our current members and analysing the skillbase will further support an expansion	9 10
	of the categories.	
	• Antonia Malan has tendered resignation from the Membership Committee. She	
	has played an important role in the membership committee and was a founding	
	member of what was initially AHAP and is now APHP. Antonia may be a	
	candidate for some kind of membership, like honorary. We need to do due	
	diligence. APHP would miss her expertise; she added credibility to our	
	organisation.	
	 BE suggested that APHP maintain a list of all members - retired, fellow or 	
	honorary etc. and that names should be retained in our listings and recognition	
	given to those retired and deceased.	
	• JS pointed out that APHP is a grouping of like-minded people, colleagues, caring	
	for one another, not a soulless box ticking organisation. This is a way we can	
	reach-out and broaden our membership - not in terms of numbers but in a sense	
	of belonging to something. APHP needs to find a way of dealing with deceased	
	members and showing respect.	
		GVM
	• The POPI Act Form is to be reconciled and those outstanding emailed again, with	GVIVI
	a final date for a response following which their contact details would be removed	
	from the APHP website.	
10.	Liaison with Heritage Authorities and Related Bodies – DG	
	• DG continues to engage with HWC as opposed to other provinces [as he is based in WC],	
	DG did have correspondence with members of APHP in the Gauteng province who are	
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bridges different cultures - those are dimensions that should be included in landscape.

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	Government WC, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning) having driven	Ĺ
	from Vredendal down through the Olifantsrivier Valley to Citrusdal - it being a very	
	beautiful valley - which is being changed from a cultivated landscape to grey and	
	white because of the enclosures over the crops. He therefore appreciated the 9	
	points BE mentioned and the term 'Cultivated Landscape'. In the letter, RH	
	asked the Minister to ask his staff to look whether there is anything under NEMA	
	(National Environmental Management Act) that could make that a listed activity,	
	however perhaps it is the NHRA that could assist in this regard - because it is a	
	cultivated landscape with visual aesthetic value which is very important to tourism	
	in the WC which is a huge source of job creation - this resonated with the	
	Landscape Heritage input.	
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- BE affirmed that heritage needs to include agriculture, horticulture, viticulture, silviculture and arboriculture.
- DG added that the issue of shade netting and tunnels has been raised at the Impact Assessment Committee of Heritage Western Cape, as it had an impact on the character of the cultural landscape particularly in the winelands where it is becoming prevalent in controlling the microclimate, solar levels, insects etc. for export market standards. It is on the radar in terms of developing an approach and an attitude towards it; particularly looking at how landscapes are graded in significance, areas of higher significance could be more carefully graded. Keeping in mind the change in the character of the landscape can be considered part of the evolution or the national development of vernacular landscape as technology changes, noting the land is still agricultural but looks different and growing in a different kind of way, and if it was not growing, the land may not be viable it would be developed for housing. It was being debated when impact assessments were scrutinised.
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 perceive it visually but there are biodiversity issues too. NHRA appears to be powerless
 about it because nowhere has a farmer needed to ask approval for what is done to the
 land. To encapsulate, we need to have people who are agricultural, forestry, arboricultural
 historians in our group. These issues need to be included in impact assessments.
- EHJ recommended that APHP arrange a separate discussion on this subject to go in-depth and come up with a cogent proposal that can be carried forward.
- BE to chair subcommittee on landscape heritage membership must be broadened to include arborists, horticulturists, foresters etc.

12. Any other business:

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	 Event - Virtual Symposium GM (with EHJ email suggestions) 	
	 Stephen Townsend's proposal - supported by ExCo 	
	 Bruce Eitzen will be sending a proposal in due course, landscape in the urban 	
	environment. BE noted that The Call for Presentation had no mention of	
	Landscape. This needs to be amended and re-sent.	GVM
	 Date of 23rd October clashes with HASA's symposium - raise with GM maybe move to Oct 31st? 7th Nov? 	
	 Johannesburg speaker - JS Flo Bird not available; YM to approach Brian McKechnie. 	ΥM
	 EHJ - Eastern Cape Institute of Architects will support the CPD, WM to share previously used motivation letter. 	WM



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	 Sustainability in the Built Environment 2025. RH reports that Glaudin Kruger would like to know how APHP would like to contribute, and possibly define a session theme. Email ExCo with details. YouTube - no change, hold over. Current Courses available. WM suggests the compilation of a database and a separate portfolio to be administered, add a separate item to agenda. Peet van Biljon - letter thanking for interest etc. 	GVM GVM
12.	Date of next meeting: Thursday 29 August 2024 @ 16h00.	
13.	Closure The meeting closed at 17h19	