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**Sent:** Tuesday, 23 April 2024 13:55  
**To:** 'CHEFFERINO FORTUIN'; jt@phsconsulting.co.za  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** RE: The Memorialisation of the Hardekraaltjie Cemetery.

Afternoon Chefferino

Thanks for your input, we will register this and consider in the layout.

Regards  
Paul

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**From:** CHEFFERINO FORTUIN [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, 21 April 2024 23:36  
**To:** paul@phsconsulting.co.za

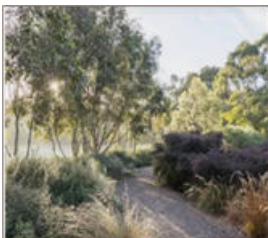
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Thank you for the presentation, the memorialisation is a joint effort between us and the university and the submission to HWC should be submitted as such. We as the descendants had no input in the matter when our ancestral cemetery was sold without our consent and the bodies which were removed, now however we have input in the memorialisation.

We agree with most of the suggestions and the memorialisation must reflect the story of the cemetery capturing the living memory and the archive. The challenges and struggles of the time period should be captured in the informal and minimalist interventions. The hope should be captured or reflected in the central symbol returning the dignity of the people with the engraving of the names.

A CMP agreement will be a condition to the memorialisation process between the community and the university. We agree with Informal pathways and prefer no cement or tarred/tiled areas and agree with the treeline and vegetation fence. The low wall with the barbed wire fit in the informal setting. On the side of the hospital fence we recommend a screen attached to the fence mirroring the treeline and vegetation fence with the informal entrance and the low wall with the barbed wired fence with boards signage facing the hospital side for reading by the pedestrians i.e. staff, security, hospital visitors.



The memorial information boards without the US emblem or name with the Hardekraaltjie name and the boards to be strategically positioned within the cemetery for the visitors to walk along a path and pause and read some information and reflect before moving along. In addition to the incorporation of symbolic wooden crosses in the layout. The boards at the entrance will not be at the best possible position as there will be continuous movement which will not allow for adequate reflection time. The boards might be more than 4 and the information on the boards to be agreed with capturing as earlier stated the living memory (especially those who attended funerals at the cemetery or have stories of the cemetery handed down) and the archive.



Close or in the vicinity of the central symbol we recommend an open piece preferable in the form of an open grave to represent the bones that were removed which are unaccounted for. We agree with the remembrance symbol drawing the eyes to the ground around the central memorial remembrance symbol with the names. Additional issues for consideration are the number of benches and its positioning as well as some to be close to shaded areas or benches offering covering against the weather elements and the availability of ablution facilities.

Regards

Chefferino Fortuin

20 April 2024

On Thu, Apr 11, 2024 at 12:01 PM CHEFFERINO FORTUIN [REDACTED] wrote:

Good day Colleen

Thank you for the information.

Regards

Chefferino

On Thu, Apr 11, 2024 at 7:47 AM Clinical Social FMHS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] wrote:

Dear members of SteerCom

At the last meeting, Paul Slabbert presented ideas about the proposed layout of the Hardekraaltjie historical burial area.

Please find a copy of presentation for your perusal and inputs.

Please submit any changes to Paul Slabbert – [paul@phsconsulting.co.za](mailto:paul@phsconsulting.co.za),

and CC [REDACTED] by 9am on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of April 2024

Looking forward to your feedback.

Kind regards | Ngemibuliso emihle | Vriendelike groete

**Ms Colleen D Charters**

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Hardekraaltjie memorialisation

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