

Heritage Survey: Stellenbosch Rural Areas

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Sub Area Name

Jonkershoek

Catalogue Number

02.42

Property Name

Westridge, Jonkershoek, Stellenbosch District

Alternative Names

Farm Number

328/6

Linkages

Lanzerac historical property

Heritage Resource Name

Westridge

Type of Resource

smallholding

Composites

none



Photo Date

1980

Photographer

Chief Director: Surveys & Mapping

Photo Title

Orthophoto with added cadastrals



Photo Date

1986

Photographer

Neil Sutherland

Photo Title

Detail of 1986 panorama by Neil Sutherland. Westridge is left of the diagonal line of tall trees at centre.

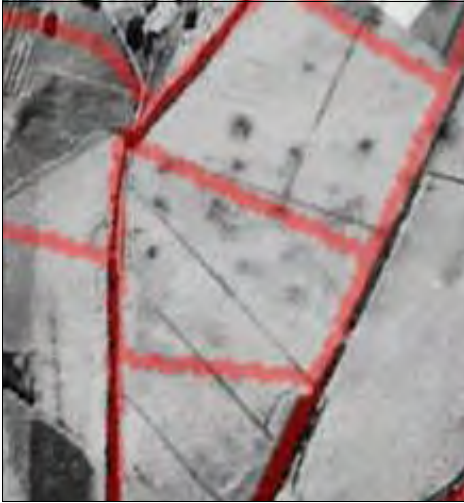


Photo Date **Photographer**
1938 Chief Director: Surveys & Mapping

Photo Title
1938 aerial photo with added (current) cadastrals



Photo Date **Photographer**
1950s Studio Lockley

Photo Title
1950s Lockley photograph. Westridge is at centre, left of the diagonal line of trees.



Photo Date **Photographer**
06/05 Penny Pistorius

Photo Title
Westridge house

Description

Visual Description

Sloping field bounded south west by Omega Road and the suburb of Aanhouwen and north west by Rozendal Dam, east by Klein Lanzerac, north by Rozendal and south by Dennegeur. The property is planted on the contour with old vines. In the north east corner is a (late 1950s) double storey house with a half-hipped

Notes

3.1648 ha
The owner is Mrs A Kirsten.

thatched roof, surrounded by a garden and overlooking the lands.

History

This land was granted in 1817 to CJ Fick who owned Lanzerac at the time but it had certainly been farmed before that, probably from the early 18th century. The land formed part of Lanzerac for most of its life (see Lanzerac Historical Property) and when it re-emerged in the 20th century its cadastral boundaries derived from field patterns that were established in the course of time. Mrs Kirsten has been living here since 1958. The property's history should be studied further and the above outline confirmed.

Historical Notes

Deeds Office search not attempted.

Associated People

see Lanzerac Historical Property

Associated Events

References

- 1902 Brink Map CA M2-409 shows location of grants
- 1938 aerial photograph.
- 1980s orthophoto.
- 1950 Lockley photograph
- 1986 Neil Sutherland photograph
- Site inspection 06/05
- Pers comm. Mrs Kirstin

Assessment

Significance Statement

The agricultural property is on the de facto urban edge of Stellenbosch, where suburban development faces the rural landscape of the Jonkershoek valley across a road and a fence. It is part of a row of smallholding that are the "foreground" of the cultural landscape of the Jonkershoek valley.

Significance Category

A, E

A = course / pattern of history	F = creative / technical
B = rarity	G = social / cultural / spiritual
C = information potential	H = assoc. NB person / group
D = characteristic of type	I = slavery
E = aesthetic	

Proposed Grading

3 heritage area (s. 31)

Vulnerabilities

Urban expansion.

Recommendations

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NHR Act Status	Date of Gazette	SAHRA File ref.	Official Grading
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No buildings older than 60 years (s.34)

Maps

Number of Ortho Photo *GPS X*

Date of Ortho Photo *GPS Y*

Aerial Photograph Date *GPS Model*

Aerial Photo Number

GPS Setting

Composites (groups of clusters of heritage resources: sub-places and areas)

Property Name

Composite Name

Catalogue Number

Type of Resource

Objects