

# CSA2858 Mpumalanga Life Sciences Centre and Library extension

Address: Erf 300, Mpumalanga-C  
Ward: 6 &  
Client: Libraries and Heritage, PRC UNIT  
Contract Period: Jan 2019 – Dec 2020  
Contract Value: R49 million

Mpumalanga Heritage Centre, which anchors the Community Learning Precinct, was transferred to the City in 2015 by the National Department of Tourism. There are currently two existing buildings on the site – the Mpumalanga Library and the Mpumalanga Heritage Centre. Adjacent to the existing library is the site of the proposed Community Learning Precinct. The Precinct is anticipated to serve the local community of all ages, trigger tourism interest, and improve employment and income opportunities for the community. To date, a masterplan has been developed to include all future anticipated development to ensure no opportunities are lost through fragmented planning. The site will ultimately accommodate the new Science Centre, Performing Arts and Visual Arts facilities, a Library extension and Management offices for the Community Learning Precinct.

The development of the precinct will use a phased approach, to accommodate capital budgeting scheduling within the MTEF. To this end, the development has been divided into Phases 1, 2 and 3, which incorporate different Zones within the precinct. Phase 1, which is already complete, incorporates the Mpumalanga Heritage Centre.

