Dear Madam,

**PROPOSED PERMANENT DEPARTURE: ERF 380, KEURBOOMSTRAND, DIVISION KNYSNA, BITOU MUNICIPALITY**

1. The Manager: Land Use Management made the following decision on 05/05/2021:

2. That approval be granted in terms of Section 60 of the Bitou Municipality: Land Use Planning Bylaw (2015) for:
   a) A permanent departure to relax the height of a storey from 4m from finished floor level to top of the ceiling to 5.08m to accommodate the proposed loft area in terms of the Section 8 Zoning Scheme Regulations.

3. The above approval is subject to the following conditions imposed in terms of Section 66 of the Bitou Municipality Land Use Planning Bylaw (2015):
   i. That the approval applies only to the application under consideration and shall not be construed as authority to depart from any other legal prescriptions or requirements from Council;
   ii. The applicant is to ensure that all proposed building work is permitted in terms of the National Building Regulations;
   iii. The development shall be generally in accordance with the Site development Plan: Plan No: 01/128/02 August 2020 drawn by Far South Architecture.

4. Reasons for the above decision are as follows:
   a) The proposed departure will not adversely affect the external appearance of the previously approved structure;
   b) The loft area will be located in a double volume area, effectively using available roof space;
   c) The height of the building remain unchanged.

5. You are hereby informed of your right to appeal to the Appeal Authority in terms of section 79(2) of the said legislation.

6. Such an appeal must be submitted in writing to the Municipal Manager, Bitou Municipality, Private Bag X1002, Plettenberg Bay, 6600, within 21 days this letter was emailed or sent to the electronic address.

7. The attached appeal form must be completed and should be directed to the Municipal Manager, Bitou Municipality, Private Bag X1002, Plettenberg Bay, 6600, within 21 days of notification of this decision together with proof of payment of the appeal fee.
8. If you exercise your right to appeal, you are requested to simultaneously serve notice of the appeal on any person who commented on the application and any other persons as the Municipality may determine. Proof of serving the notification must be submitted to the Municipality, within 14 days of serving the notification.

9. The notice must be served in accordance with section 35 of the said legislation and in accordance with the additional requirements as may be determined by the Municipality. The notice must invite persons to comment on the appeal within 21 days this letter was emailed or sent to the electronic address.


11. A notification in terms of Section 61 of the Bitou Municipality Land Use Bylaw (2015) will confirm the coming into operation of the approval, if no appeals were received within 21 days this letter was emailed or sent to the electronic address.

Yours faithfully

Ludolph Gericke
Director: Economic Development and Planning