# Planning Officer's Report - LDCA MARCH 2021

**APPLICATION 2021/02** – Alterations & Extensions to Existing House to form a

Dining Room, Bedroom & Verandah and Change of Roof

Design.

PERMISSION SOUGHT Permission in Full

**REGISTERED** 5<sup>th</sup> January 2021

APPLICANT Myrtle Leo

PARCEL SH0042

**SIZE** 0.19 acres (795m<sup>2</sup>)

**LOCALITY** The Flag, Levelwood

**ZONE** Intermediate

CONSERVATION AREA None

**CURRENT USE** Existing House

**PUBLICITY** The application was advertised as follows:

Independent Newspaper on 8<sup>th</sup> January 2021

A site notice displayed in accordance with Regulations.

**EXPIRY** 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2021

**REPRESENTATIONS** None Received

DECISION ROUTE Delegated / LDCA / EXCO

## A. CONSULTATION FEEDBACK

1. Sewage & Water Division No Response No Objection **Energy Division** 3. Fire & Rescue No Response Roads Section No Objection **Property Division** No Response 6. Environmental Management No Objection Public Health 7. No Response Agriculture & Natural Resources No Response St Helena Police Services Not Consulted

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10.	Aerodrome Safe Guarding	No Objection
11.	Enterprise St Helena (ESH)	No Objection
12.	National Trust	No Response
13.	Sure SA Ltd	No Objection
14.	Heritage Society	No Response

#### B. PLANNING OFFICER'S APPRAISAL

### **LOCALITY & ZONING**

The application site is located at the lower end of the Flag, Levelwood approximately 170m west of the Playground. The plot is designated within the Intermediate Zone and not within any proposed conservation area.

**Diagram 1: Location Plan** 

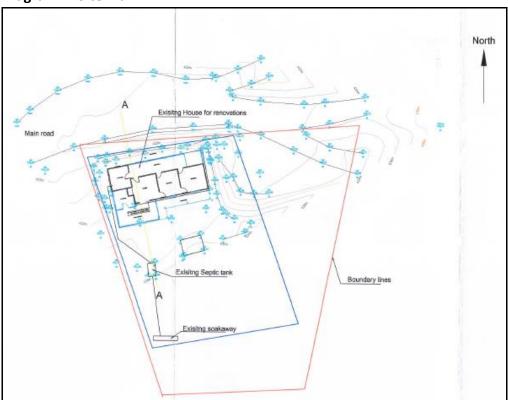


# THE PROPOSAL

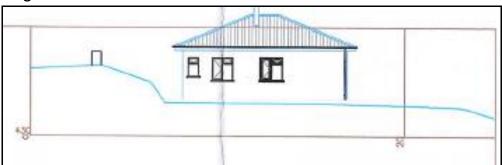
The plot measures approximately 795m<sup>2</sup>, where the land consists of an existing long house. The house is situated towards the north western corner of the boundary, where the proposal is to undertake some alterations and extensions to the existing property, which will comprise an additional bedroom, dining room, open verandah and enclosed verandah. As a result of the extension, the developer has also decided to change the roof profile from a traditional gable lean-to design to hip.

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Diagram 2: Site Plan



**Diagram 3: Site Cross-Section** 



In terms of the proposed dining room and open verandah, this will be constructed onto the south elevation. An opening into the wall from kitchen as well as removal of window will be needed to form an archway into the dining room. Alternative access can be obtained from the proposed open verandah. Access into the proposed bedroom will be from the dining room. Alterations to the existing bedrooms will consist of removing two windows and replacing with larger single window measuring 1.2m in width.

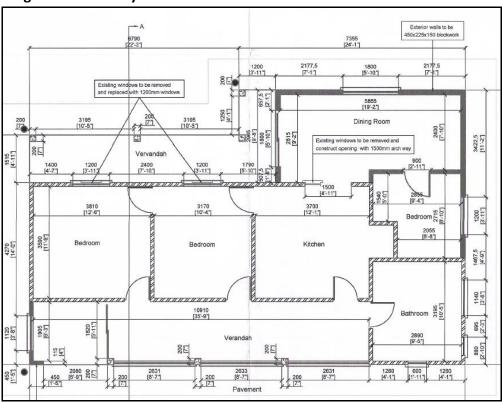
With regards to the northern elevation, this will consist of the enclosed verandah and porch area, where the applicant has proposed three large window on top of a dwarf wall. A slide door will separate this area from the porch. Materials to be used in the

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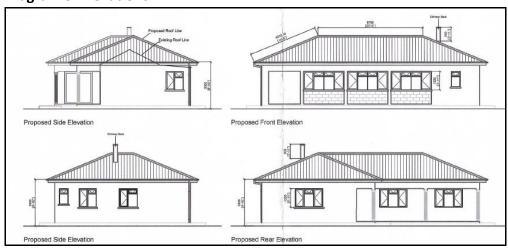
development are concrete blockwork for the external walls, and IBR sheeting for the roof coverings.

No representations were received from the stakeholders or the public.

**Diagram 4: Floor Layout** 



**Diagram 5: Elevations** 



## **POLICY CONSIDERATION**

The proposed development is assessed against the LDCP Policies set out below:

- Intermediate Zone: Policies IZ1 (a, b, f, g and h)
- Housing: Policy H9

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#### **OFFICER ASSESSMENT**

The change in roof design will drastically change the appearance of the building, where it was originally a gable and lean-to roof; now proposed hip design. No excavation will be undertaken. The extension will shares characteristics of development in the area, primarily being the detailing such as roof style, window design, and materials to be used.

Considering the impact of the development, this proposal will not detract from amenity of the area. All services can be connected to. The use is consistent with development established in the area. The development meets the aims of the policies as stipulated above, and therefore can be supported.

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