Planning Officer's Report – LDCA OCTOBER 2021

APPLICATION 2021/65 – Proposed bedroom and patio extension

PERMISSION SOUGHT Permission in Full

REGISTERED 14th August 2021

APPLICANT Clint Knipe

PARCEL HTH1129

SIZE 0.55 acres (2250m²)

LOCALITY near High Knoll, Half Tree Hollow

ZONE Intermediate

CONSERVATION AREA None

CURRENT USE Vacant private land

PUBLICITY The application was advertised as follows:

Independent Newspaper on 13th August 2021

A site notice displayed in accordance with Regulations.

EXPIRY 27th August 2021

REPRESENTATIONS None

DECISION ROUTE Delegated / LDCA / EXCO

A. CONSULTATION FEEDBACK

No Objection 1. Sewage & Water Division No Objection **Energy Division** 3. Fire & Rescue No Response **Roads Section** No Objection **Property Division** No Response 6. **Environmental Management** No Objection 7. Public Health No Response 8. Agriculture & Natural Resources No Response 9. St Helena Police Services Not Consulted Not Consulted 10. Aerodrome Safe Guarding 11. Sustainable Development No Response

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12. National Trust No Response13. Sure SA Ltd No Objection14. Heritage Society No Response

B. PLANNING OFFICER'S APPRAISAL

LOCALITY & ZONING

The application development site is situated on privately owned land that is currently the applicants existing house. The site is designated within the Intermediate Zone and not within any proposed conservation area.

Diagram 1: Location Plan



THE EXISTING

The existing building is a small two bedroom bungalow type house with a dual pitched roof. The house sits on a large excavated site both to the east and west of the structure, the excavated embankment sits at approximately 5 metres high.

Vehicle access is in place and a drainage system exist.

THE PROPOSAL

The proposed extension will be constructed on an existing level platform to the east of the existing house.

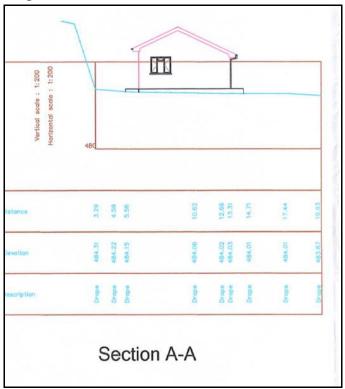
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Diagram 2: Site Plan



Diagrams 3: Site Section



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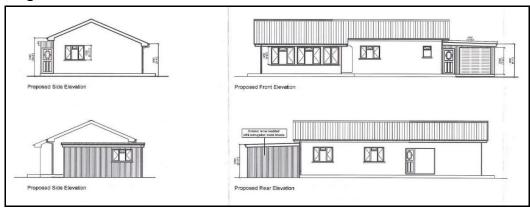
The proposed is a bedroom and enclosed patio extension with an open entrance section at the rear. A window is proposed to be removed from the existing lounge to allow and entrance door.

Whilst the internal layout of the dwelling is not a planning issue, the layout could have been improved with better integration between the existing and proposed to allow more cohesive link of living space and the bedrooms.

With the continuation of the dual pitched roof from existing to proposed, the exterior features changes only with regard to size and additional fixtures.

Diagram 4: Building Plan 3800 1500 Lounge 3048 3048 2-117 6828 **Existing House** 14.67 PHASE 1 Dining Area Proposed Plan Layout

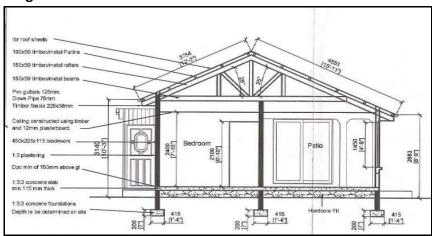
Diagram 5: Elevations



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Diagram 6: Section Detail



REPRESENTATIONS

No representations were received.

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 H9Water: Policy W2

Sewage, storm and Drainage: Policies SD1 (b, c), SD3, SD.4 and SD7

Road and Transport: Policies RT1 (c and d), RT3 and RT7

OFFICER'S ASSESSMENT

Overall the development complies with the housing policy H.9 and IZ1(a) and creates an appearance that is acceptable in terms of siting, orientation, scale and massing and therefore can be supported.

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