Planning Officer's Report – LDCA APRIL 2022

APPLICATION 2022/11 – Proposed Laydown Area for Containers, Equipment

& Materials

PERMISSION SOUGHT Permission in Full

REGISTERED 10th March 2022

APPLICANT Nigel George

PARCEL AF0623

LOCALITY Bunkers Hill, Alarm Forest

ZONE Intermediate

CONSERVATION AREA None

CURRENT USE Vacant

PUBLICITY The application was advertised as follows:

Independent Newspaper on 11th March 2022

A site notice displayed in accordance with Regulations.

EXPIRY 25th March 2022

REPRESENTATIONS None Received

DECISION ROUTE Delegated / LDCA / EXCO

A. CONSULTATION FEEDBACK

Sewage & Water Division 1. No Objection 2. **Energy Division** No Objection 3. Fire & Rescue No Response **Roads Section** No Response 5. Property Division No Response 6. Environmental Management No Response 7. Public Health No Response No Response 8. Agriculture & Natural Resources St Helena Police Services Not Consulted 10. Aerodrome Safe Guarding Not Consulted 11. Sustainable Development No Response 12. National Trust No Objection

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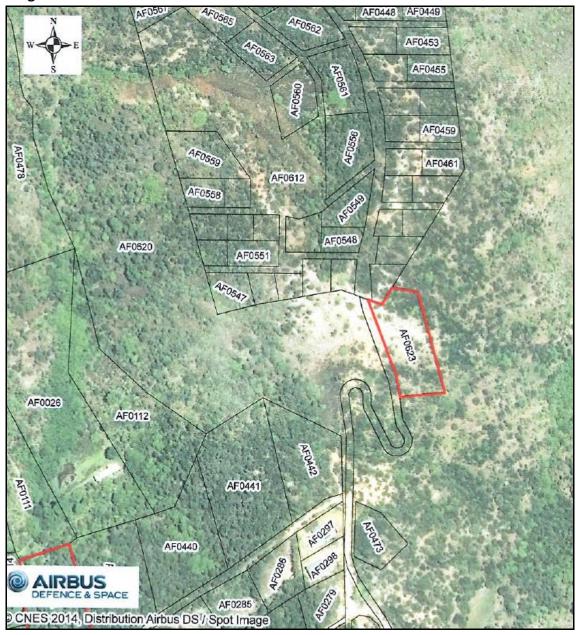
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B. PLANNING OFFICER'S APPRAISAL

LOCALITY & ZONING

The application site adjoins the proposed main access road onto Bunkers Hill, where it is situated within the Intermediate Zone and has no conservation area restrictions.

Diagram 1: Location Plan



THE PROPOSAL

The request is to excavate two platforms, which will be situated on the eastern side of the access road. The platform to the south will measure approximately $25m \times 27m$, where the embankment to be created will measure approximately 1.7m. The second

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platform to the north will measure approximately 24m x 28m. A 1.8m security fence with gates will be erected around the perimeter of the laydown areas. The laydown area will be used for storing of building materials, plant machinery and equipment whilst the development of Bunkers Hill is carried out. It is envisaged that upon completion of the Bunkers Hill development, the site may possibly be used for built storage units however this would be subject to a separate development application in the future. Water and electricity will be connected to services provided to Bunkers Hill.



Diagram 2: Site Layout

POLICY CONSIDERATION

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

Intermediate Zone Policies

OFFICER ASSESSMENT

Permission has been granted by the Fire Chief for the developer to use the proposed fire station site near the Alarm Forest bus shelter as a lay down area for the improvements to the existing road towards Bunkers Hill. The proposed development will then eliminate the need to use the fire station site whilst works are being carried out on Bunkers Hill CDA, which will benefit the developer as well as residents. Considering the excavation to be undertaken, this will be in compliance with policy IZ1 f) where the development has been located as such to take advantage of the proposed services to the CDA. Overall the use will not adversely impact the amenity of existing development, as it will provide a secured area away from the residential area.

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