# Planning Officer's Report - LDCA OCTOBER 2025

**APPLICATION** 2025/72 – Construction of a 2-Bedroom Dwelling

**PERMISSION SOUGHT** Full Permission

**REGISTERED** 12 August 2025

APPLICANT Christopher Peters

PARCEL BG0030

**LOCALITY** Barren Ground

**ZONE** Intermediate

CONSERVATION AREA None

CURRENT USE Vacant

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

Sentinel Newspaper on 15 August 2025.

A site notice displayed in accordance with Regulations.

EXPIRY 28 August 2025

**REPRESENTATIONS** None

DECISION ROUTE Delegated / LDCA / EXCO

### A. CONSULTATION FEEDBACK

Sewage & Water Division No Objection
Energy Division No Objection
Fire & Rescue No Objection

4. Roads Section No Objection - Comments

No Objection **Property Division** 5. **Environmental Management** No Objection 6. No Objection 7. **Environmental Health** Agriculture & Natural Resources No Response 8. St Helena Police Services 9. No Response 10. Aerodrome Safe Guarding Not Consulted 11. Economic Development No Objection 12. National Trust No Response 13. Sure SA Ltd No Objection 14. Heritage Society No Objection 15. Maritime Not Applicable

## B. PLANNING OFFICER'S APPRAISAL

## **LOCALITY & ZONING**

This plot is located in Barren Ground, Blue Hill where it is designated within the Intermediate Zone and has no conservation area restrictions.

**Diagram 1: Location Map** 



## PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT

The proposal is to construct a two storey dwelling comprising an open planned kitchen, dining and lounge, shared bathroom, rear porch, heater room, and bedroom on the ground floor, and master bedroom with wardrobe and en-suite on the first floor. The external finish of the ground floor will be blockwork, rendered and painted, with the first floor being cladding and IBR sheeting for the roof. The dwelling will be on the south eastern corner of the plot.

Excavation will be necessary to form a level platform, resulting in an approximate 2m cut. Access will be gained from the existing track to the north of the site. Electricity and water infrastructure is within the area and will need to be connected to. Sewage

will be dealt with by a septic tank and soakaway system, situated south west of the site platform. Percolation test results are to a satisfactory standard.

Diagram 2: Site Plan

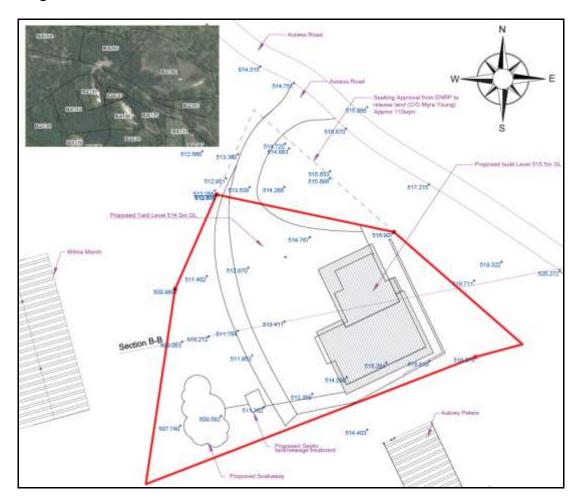
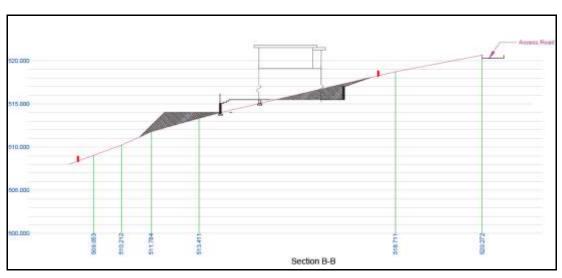
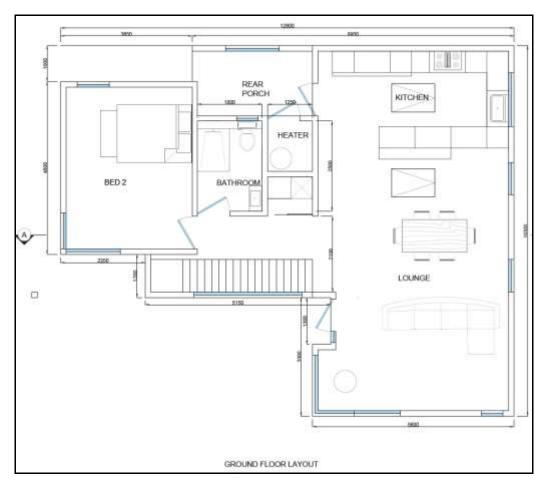


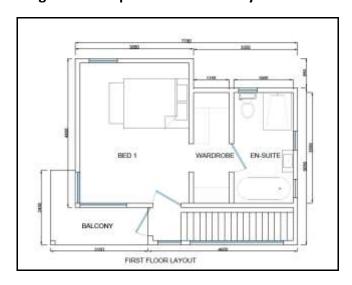
Diagram 3: Site Section B-B



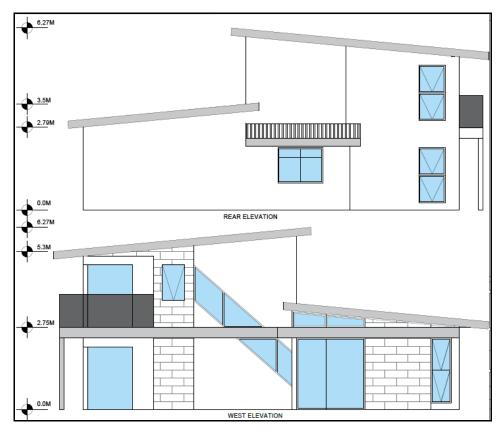
**Diagram 4: Proposed Ground Floor Layout** 

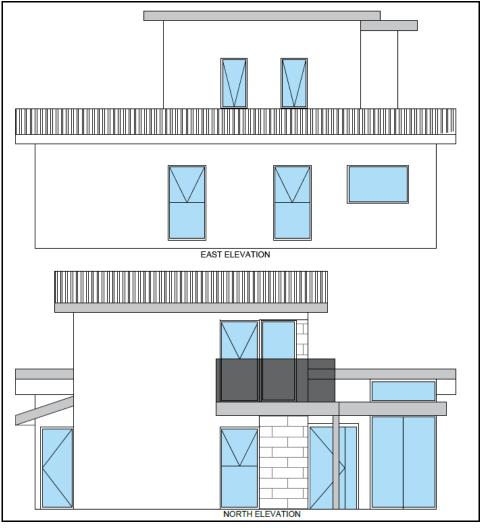


**Diagram 5: Proposed First Floor Layout** 



**Diagram 6: Proposed Elevations** 





#### STAKEHOLDER FEEDBACK & REPRESENTATIONS

There were no representations or objections received from stakeholders or any members of the public.

**Roads Section:** No Objection – 'Applicant is to be fully responsible for any storm water.'

## **LEGAL AND POLICY FRAMEWORK**

The relevant policies of the Land Development Control Plan (LDCP 2012 - 2022) that are applicable in the assessment of the proposed development are set out below:

• Intermediate Zone Policies: IZ1 (a, b, f, g and h)

Housing Policies: H1 a), b), H2 & H.9

Water: 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**

In evaluating this proposal, the area is sparse with just a small number of dwellings on this periphery of Barren Ground but is in line with Intermediate Zone Policy IZ1 for new development, as well as Housing Policies for the Intermediate Zone.

The proposed two-storey dwelling will utilise an existing track and be constructed following the same orientation of neighbouring properties, facing a south westerly direction.

Relatively minor excavation will be carried out ranging to approximately 2m in height, and is therefore in accordance with policy IZ1 f).

The house design is coherent within itself and shares similar characteristics with neighbouring development. All services can be provided to the property, and therefore this proposal can be supported.