

## **PROPOSED RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT ON ERF 511, OTTERY, CAPE TOWN, WESTERN CAPE.**

### **Background Information:**

The applicant proposes to develop a residential development on Erf 511, Wetton, Cape Town. The proposed site is approximately 4362m<sup>2</sup> in extent.

In summary, the following is proposed:

- 20 residential units of approximately 80m<sup>2</sup> each.
- An open space/ stormwater management area of 382m<sup>2</sup>
- Refuse room of 18m<sup>2</sup>

### *Water Reticulation*

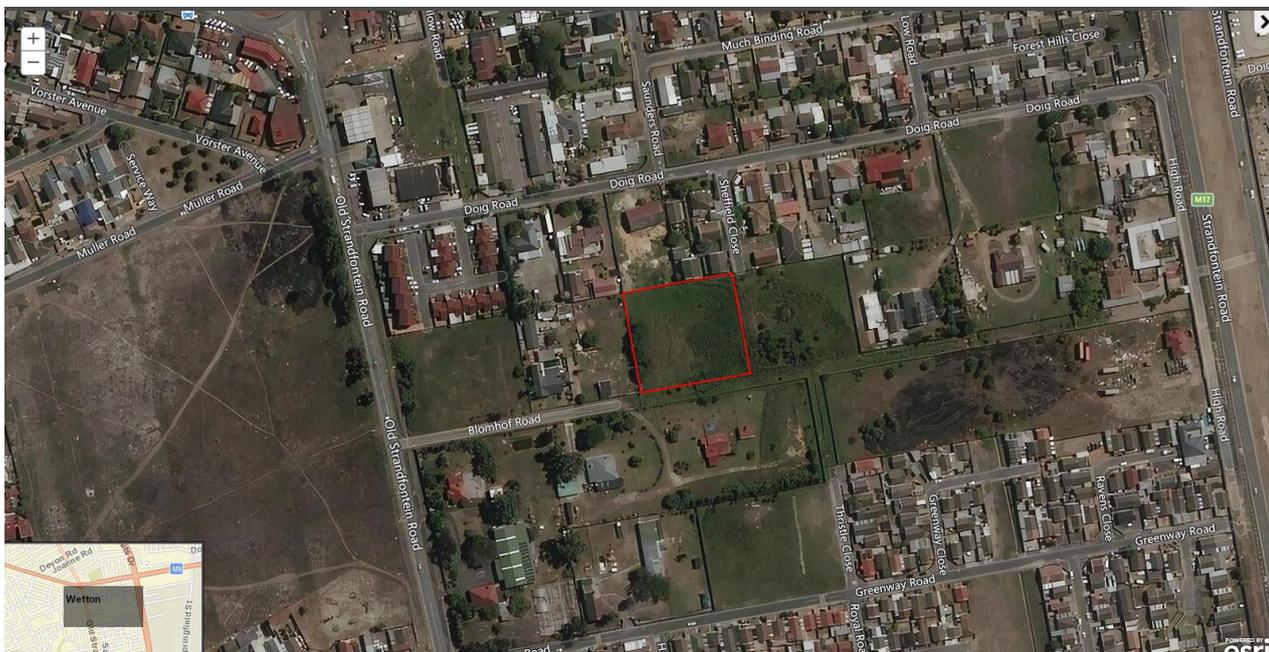
A 100mm  $\varnothing$  watermain is located on the western verge on Old Strandfontein Road with a 50mm  $\varnothing$  leading off this main into Blomhof Avenue, it is proposed that the 50mm  $\varnothing$  line be replaced with at least a 100mm  $\varnothing$  to service the proposed development of ERF 511.

### *Sewer Reticulation*

There are two (2) sewer connection points, in Old Strandfontein Road and Thistle Road, however the cover levels of these existing manholes, are higher than the average height of Erf 511. To provide adequate sewer drainage the ERF needs to be filled to a maximum  $\pm 0.5$ m along the northern boundary to  $\pm 1.0$ m along the southern boundary. Retaining structures are required along the northern and western boundaries.

### **Project Location:**

The proposed development site is located on Erf 511, Wetton, Cape Town. The property is accessed via Blomhof road, which is a gravel road.



**Figure 1: Location of Erf 511, Wetton, Cape Town (Source: Cape Farm Mapper, 2021).**

## **Public Participation Plan**

DEA&DP Circular No 0001/2021 regarding EIA & Related Processes during Lockdown Alert Level 3 explains that at all times it must be ensured that reasonable opportunity is provided for public participation. While the COVID-19 Lockdown is a unique circumstance, the specific circumstances of each case must be considered to determine what will be reasonable. If in the circumstances of a particular case additional measures to give notice to potential interested and affected parties and to allow for commenting on reports are available, such additional measures should be considered.

To ensure that reasonable notice is given to potential and registered interested and affected parties (“I&APs”), DEA&DP should be approached with a proposed Public Participation Plan setting out all the public participation steps, including the additional measures, proposed.

## **Summary of public participation proposed, as is required in terms of the 2014 EIA Regulations (regulation 41 – 44 in Chapter 6 of GN386):**

- A register of potential interested & affected parties will be opened.
- The best method of direct notification of all adjacent landowners in this case, is to notify them via letters to be sent via the postal system. All surrounding neighbours are formalized even with postal addresses. The adjacent landowners and / or occupiers will therefore be notified via letters of the availability of the Basic Assessment EIA Report & EMPR during the two respective 30-day commenting periods (on the pre-application and post application BAR Reports respectively).
- Organs of State; the local ward councillor and local municipality will be notified via email;
- An advertisement will be published in the local newspaper in English;
- A site notice will be erected at a place visible near the main entrance of Erf 511;
- The reports will be sent to Organs of State in electronic format via a Cloud Based service or via email;
- The reports will be made available on the SEC website ([www.environmentalconsultants.co.za](http://www.environmentalconsultants.co.za)) for review and comment for a period of 30 days during the pre-application consultation phase (on the Pre-Application Draft

BAR) and for a further 30 days during the post-application consultation phase (on the post-application Draft BAR).

- Following the initial 30 days public consultation phase and the second 30 day PPP period on the post application BAR, the I & AP register will be updated with all those who provided comments on the pre-application BAR.
- Following the initial 30 days public consultation, and the second 30 day PPP period on the post application Draft BAR, a Comments & Response Table, summarising all comments received and SEC response to the comments received will be send to all registered I & AP's.

**Summary of additional measures that will be implemented to ensure all I&APs are notified of the availability of the Environmental Authorisation Amendment and BAR applications, and the opportunity to participate:**

- When the Basic Assessment EIA & EMPR Reports are uploaded onto the SEC website, an additional upload of the Executive Summary will also be uploaded as a data saving alternative.

It is anticipated that the posted letters will suffice as a notification of the development, as all the ervens surrounding the site are registered ervens with postal addresses. If SEC is contacted and advised that someone cannot access the BAR via the online portal, then additional arrangements, such as the provision of a hardcopy will be made and sent to the I&AP.

Similarly, if an I&AP is unable to provide a comment via letter or email, then an additional measure, such as WhatsApp communication will be used to provide the I&AP with a platform to raise their concerns.