

JERSEY FUTURE HOSPITAL

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

**VOLUME I: MAIN REPORT** 



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#### **Abbreviations**

AADT Annual Average Daily Traffic

ACM Asbestos Containing Materials

ACMs Asbestos-containing materials

ACoP Asbestos Approved Code of Practice

A&E Accident and Emergency

AAP Area of Archaeological Potential

AS Archaeological Sites

BCT Bat Conservation Trust

bgl below ground level

BPM Best Practicable Means

CABE Commission for Architectural and Built Environment

CBD Convention on Biodiversity

CD&E Construction, Demolition and Excavation

CEMP Construction Environmental Management Plan

CIEEM Chartered Institute of Ecology and Environmental Management

ClfA Chartered Institute for Archaeologists

CRTN Calculation of Road Traffic Noise

CSM Conceptual Site Model

DBA Desk Based Assessment

Dfl Department for Infrastructure

DMRB Design Manual for Roads and Bridges

EA Environment Agency

EfW Energy from Waste Facility

EcIA Ecological Impact Assessment

ED Emergency Department



EHO Environmental Health Officer

EIS Environmental Impact Statement

EH English Heritage

ES Enabling Scheme

FRA Flood Risk Assessment

FTE Full Time Equivalent

GDP Gross Domestic Product

GI Ground Investigation

GVA Gross Value Added

HER Historic Environment Record

HGV Heavy Goods Vehicle

IAQM Institute of Air Quality Management

IEA Institute of Environmental Assessment

IEM Institute of Environmental Management

IEMA Institute of Environmental Assessment and Management

JAC Jersey Architectural Commission

JAQS Jersey Air Quality Strategy

JBC Jersey Biodiversity Centre

JFH Jersey Future Hospital (Proposed Development)

JGH Jersey General Hospital

JSh Jersey Shale Formation

I/s Litres per second

LAQM.TG Local Air Quality Management Technical Guidance

LOAEL Lowest Observed Adverse Effect Level

MEA Multi-lateral Environmental Agreements

MW Mega Watts

MSCP Multi Storey Car Park

NO<sub>2</sub> Nitrogen Dioxide

NPPF National Planning Policy Framework

NRMM Non Road Mobile Machinery

 $O_3$  Ozone

PM Particulate Matter

PPG Pollution Prevention Guidance

PPG-N Planning Practice Guidance on noise

PPV Peak Particle Velocity

SBS Standing Building Survey

SPG Supplementary Planning Guidance

SOAEL Significant Observed Adverse Effect Level

SoJ States of Jersey

SuDS Sustainable Drainage Systems

TA Transport Assessment

TP Travel Plan

TVIA Townscape and Visual Impact Assessment

UXO Unexploded Ordnance

WFD Water Framework Directive

WHO World Health Organisation

WRAP Waste and Resources Action Programme



# 1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 This Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) has been prepared to support the outline planning application submitted by the Department for Infrastructure (Dfl) for the proposed Jersey Future Hospital.

# **Description of proposed development**

- 1.2 The outline planning application proposes the demolition of Stafford Hotel, Revere Hotel, 36-40 and 44 Kensington Place including Sutherland Court, and parts of the General Hospital including: Peter Crill House, Gwyneth Huelin Wing, link block, engineering block and chimney, 1960s and 1980s blocks on the Parade, temporary theatre block and Westaway Court. The proposed development includes the phased construction of new hospital buildings at the General Hospital site and at Westaway Court, refurbishment of the Granite Block for continued non-clinical hospital use, improvements and construction of one half-deck of parking to Patriotic Street Car Park, and all associated landscaping and public realm, highways and access, plant and infrastructure works.
- 1.3 For the purpose of the EIS, the proposed application is referred to as 'Jersey Future Hospital' (JFH).
- 1.4 This EIS assesses the environmental effects of the development in accordance with the proposed development parameters and details submitted. The planning application is submitted under Article 13 of the Planning and Building (Jersey) Law 2002 (the Law, 2002) and is defined under the Planning and Building (Environmental Impact) Order 2006 (the Order, 2006).
- 1.5 For the purposes of the planning application, fixed matters include means of access. Reserved matters, i.e. those that are to be determined in subsequent detailed applications include scale and mass; siting; landscaping; appearance and materials.
- 1.6 The decision-making authority for the planning application is likely to be Jersey's Minister for the Environment if the application follows the same path for determination as the previously refused application for the project PP/2017/0990.

#### Site location and context

1.7 The proposed development site (redline boundary) for the planning application is shown in Figure 1.1 (shown below and also in EIS Volume III). The site is located in St Helier, Jersey and lies towards the north-western edge of the town centre, approximately 300m from the coast, which lies to the west. Sited within the St Helier Ring Road, JFH is



located at approximately 49°11'15.24"N, 2°06'43.72"W<sup>1</sup>, covering an area of approximately 3.75 hectares. The application site occupies a dense urban setting with Parade Gardens offering some open public space to the east.

- 1.8 The application site comprises two main components:
  - The Main Hospital Site, which includes parts of the existing Jersey General Hospital (JGH) site, a number of properties to be acquired on Kensington Place, Patriotic Street Car Park and surrounding areas of public highway where changes are proposed to facilitate the proposed development.
  - Westaway Court, an existing block of hospital related use built in 1976 providing clinical staff residential accommodation (which is to be reprovided elsewhere as part of the redevelopment project). It is situated to the north east of the existing hospital between Elizabeth Place, Savile Street and Parade Gardens.
- 1.9 Main access routes around the main building application site include the Parade to the north east, Gloucester Street to the south, Newgate Street and Patriotic Place running parallel to each other on the western side with Patriotic Street perpendicular to Newgate Street. Kensington Place bounds the northern edge of the site. Main access routes around the Westaway application site include Elizabeth Place on the west and Saville Street on the east.
- 1.10 Existing buildings within the application boundary include the following:
  - JGH buildings which include:
    - Gwyneth Huelin Wing;
    - Peter Crill House;
    - o 1980s Block;
    - o 1960's Block:
    - Lab Block;
    - o Engineering Block;
    - o Link Block.
  - Stafford Hotel;
  - Revere Hotel (including Doran's Bistro);
  - 33-40 Kensington Place (including Surtherland Court);
  - 44 Kensington Place;

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Google Earth 2016



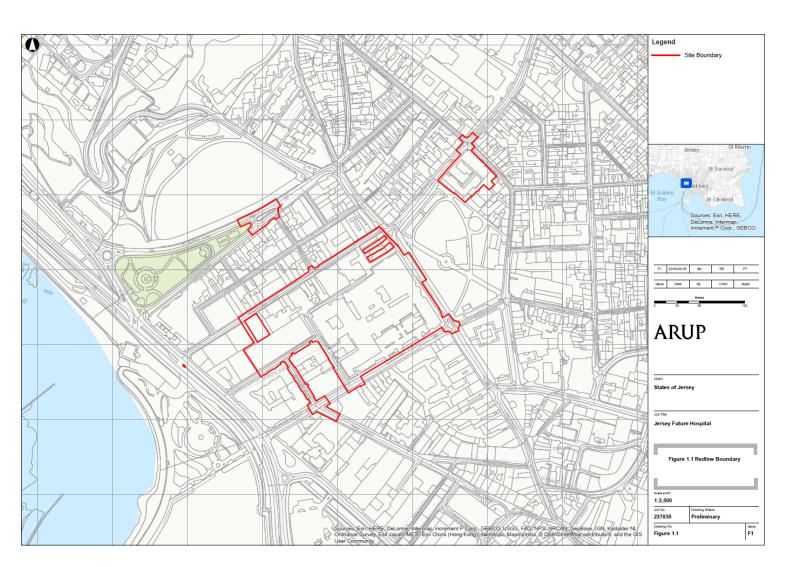
- Granite Block and Entrance Lodge;
- Patriotic Street multi-storey car park;
- Temporary Theatre Block; and
- Westaway Court
- 1.11 In order to redevelop the site for the proposed JFH, all of these buildings, with the exception of the multi-storey car park and the Granite Block and Entrance Lodge, would be demolished.
- 1.12 The proposed site is urban in character with very limited vegetation cover. Within the JGH grounds there are small outside courtyards which contain low levels of planting and are of low value in terms of both biodiversity and landscaping. Within the Westaway site, there are a few mature trees.

# The Surrounding Area

- 1.13 The area surrounding the main building application site is densely urban with immediately adjacent buildings including residential and commercial properties along the northern side of Kensington Place, residential buildings above commercial properties along the southern side of Gloucester Street, residential, commercial properties and the hospital dental department along the western side of Newgate Street, and residential apartments along the southern side of Patriotic Street.
- 1.14 The area surrounding the Westaway application site also densely urban, predominantly surrounded by residential properties to the east and west. Helvetia School lies to the west on the opposite side of Elizabeth Place and there are a few commercial properties amongst the residential buildings.
- 1.15 Parade Gardens is a formal Grade 1 Listed garden owned by the Parish of St Helier and lies between the main building and Westaway application sites. It is open 24 hours a day and has a number of raised wall flower beds along with the Don Monument from 1885.



Figure 1.1: Proposed development site





# Site selection

1.16 The proposals for the proposed JFH have evolved over a number of years following an initial site selection exercise and consultation. A general programme for the evolution of the project includes that set out in Table 1.1. Further information can be found in the Planning Statement, submitted as part of the planning application.

**Table 1.1: Site Section Process** 

2011	Health and Social Services, KPMG, 2011 - concludes that the current hospital is not fit for purpose as a result of deterioration of the building condition, rising maintenance costs and the incompatibility of the building with modern standards
2012	States Report and Proposition P.82/2012 "Health and Social Services – A New Way Forward" – identifies a requirement to have an acute general hospital, which is fit for purpose, capable of sustaining the acute care provision requirements for the population and compliments the integrated care strategy being developed for Jersey
2012	States Report R.125/2012 "Hospital Pre-Feasibility Spatial Assessment Project: Interim Report" - Sets out the progress in developing proposals for a new hospital, which provides context to consideration of the wider transformation of health-care services. This report describes the process that was followed in investigating a range of options for the development of a new acute general hospital, designed to achieve the objectives established in P.82/2012. It identifies the options for development.
2013	Hospital Pre-Feasibility Spatial Assessment Project – Jersey General Hospital Strategic Outline Case 2013 – Assessed the strategic, economic, commercial, financial and management case for a new hospital and set out a long list of site options (41 options included).
2013	Jersey General Hospital: Refined Concept Addendum to the Strategic Outline Case 2013 – Identified preferred site options for consideration, explaining the benefits and risks associated with each option and assessed the costs associated with the implementation of the preferred option.
2014/15	Further site validation works carried out. A range of assessments undertaken on site options to establish outline feasibility. Included user and stakeholder input, public engagement and third party validation and evaluation.
2016	Preferred site option identified as the proposed Future Hospital Project Site (as defined in this EIS) and approved by States of Jersey in December 2016; P110/2016.
2017	A planning application (P/2017/0990) was made for JFH at this location.
2017	Outline Business Case for the hospital and funding mechanism approved (P107/2017)
2018	Application PP/2017/0990 was rejected for three reasons – harmful impact on the character of the town, harmful impact on heritage assets, harmful impact on residential amenity. Chapter 4 provides detail of how these matters are addressed in this application. Whilst the initial proposals were rejected, the site itself was identified as suitable. The Planning Inspector of the Public Inquiry confirmed within his report that 'in broad spatial terms, the application proposal would be in a sustainable and accessible location. This accords with the Island Plan's spatial strategy (Policy SP 1), its sequential approach to site selection (Policy SP 3) and Policy SCO 2, which directs healthcare developments to the grounds of existing healthcare facilities and / or the built-up area.' <sup>2</sup> .

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Philip Staddon, Report to the Minister for the Environment, 2 January 2018



# **Environmental Impact Assessment Process**

1.17 This EIS updates the EIS that was submitted in support of the outline planning application for the Future Jersey Hospital in July 2017 (Application reference P/2017/0990). Where necessary, the assessments have been updated to reflect new information, the changes to the building design and layout, in addition to the inclusion of the Westaway site in this revised application. Consultation was carried out with SoJ and statutory consultees in order to identify any changes to the assessment that would be needed. This is tracked in Appendix A-1.

# **Environmental Impact Statement Structure**

- 1.18 The EIS contains the environmental information that is required by the Planning and Building (Environmental Impact) Order 2006. It also follows the requirements of the EU EIA Directive 2014/52/EU (the EIA Directive) and comprises a number of elements:
  - Non-technical summary (NTS) a NTS summarises, in non-technical language, the findings
    of the EIA. The NTS is provided independently and also included within the main EIS (Volume
    I);
  - Environmental Impact Statement (Volume I): Main report Volume I of the EIS (this volume) which includes the topic assessments (chapters 5-16);
  - Environmental Impact Statement (Volume II): Appendices Volume II includes the technical reports that accompany the EIS technical assessments;
  - Environmental Impact Statement (Volume III): Figures Volume III includes all the figures referenced within this EIS. However, figures relating to the description of development are integrated into the main text for ease of reference.

### **Application documents**

1.19 The EIS is being submitted for determination as part of the outline planning application. Table 1.2 lists other documents submitted in support of the application:

### Table 1.2: Documents submitted with the planning application

#### **Application documents**

Planning Statement

Drawings for approval

Design and Access Statement

Design Principles

**Environmental Impact Statement** 

The Case for the Future Hospital

Transport Assessment and Travel Plan

3D Model



# **Application documents**

Daylight and Sunlight Assessment

Health Impact Assessment

BREEAM International 2016 Bespoke (Healthcare)

Framework Crime Impact Statement

Statement of Community Consultation