### **COMHAIRLE NAN EILEAN SIAR**

The Town and Country Planning Scotland Act 1997 – Section 36(1)

**Town and Country Planning General Development Procedure Order 2013 Regulation 16** 

**Panning Register - Part 1** 

**Application Details** 

Reference Number 24/00156/PPD Date registered as valid 09/05/2024

Address or description of location to

which the development relates 17B Valtos, Uig, Isle of Lewis

Co-ordinates N 936 948 E 109 330 Applicant Name Mr Keith Bowen

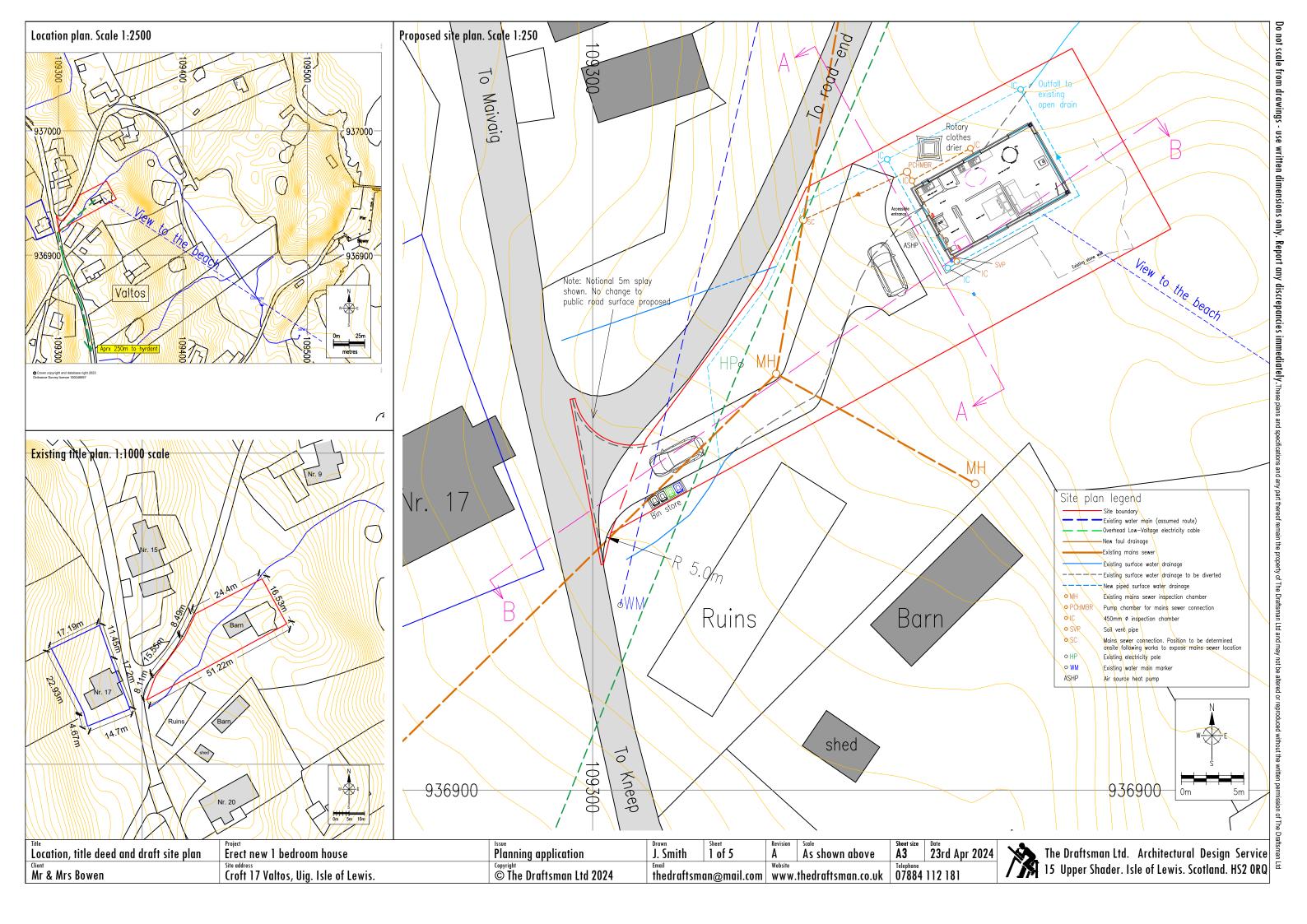
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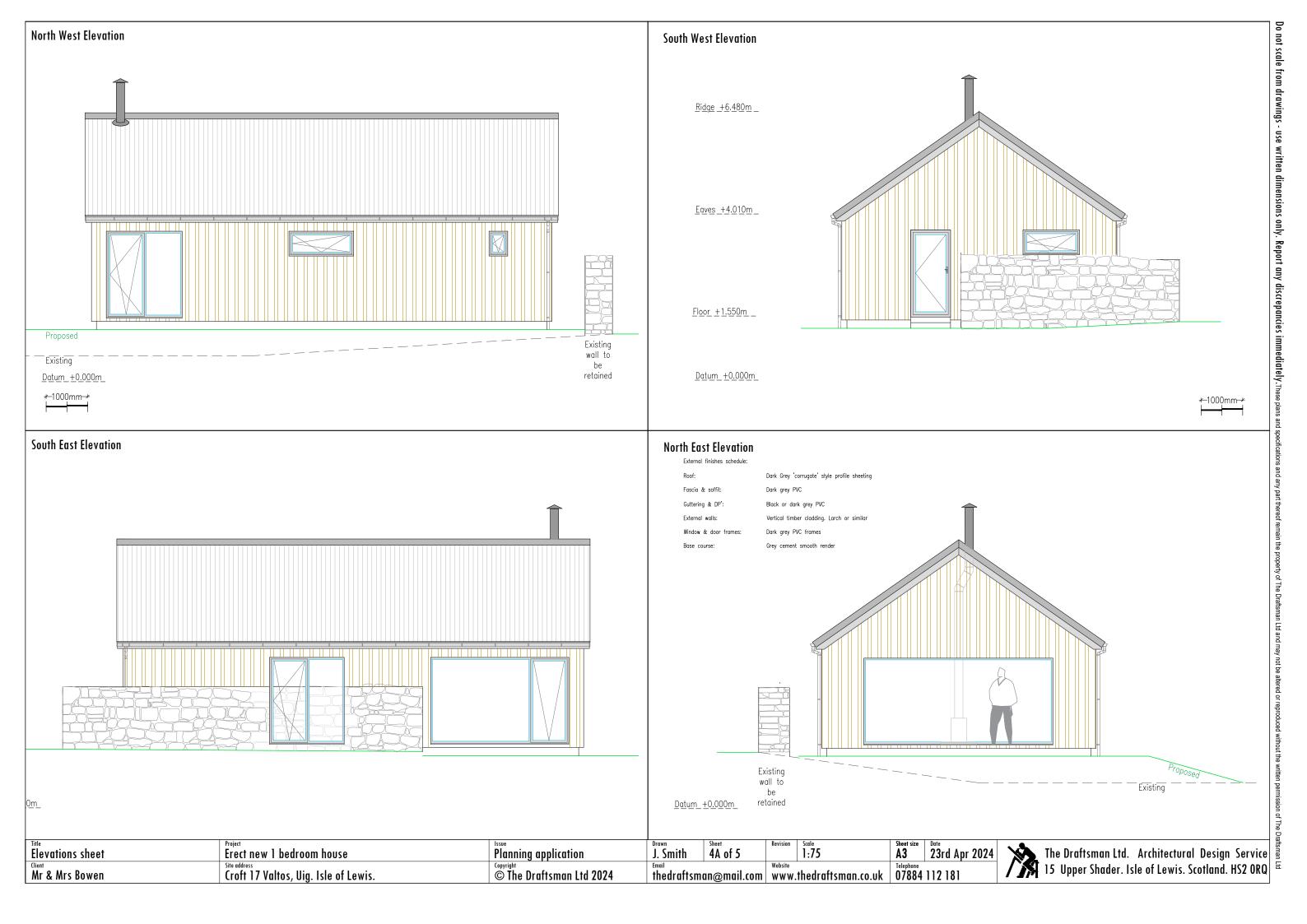
The above application summary is accompanied by plans and drawings sufficient to describe the development and where relevant any design statement.

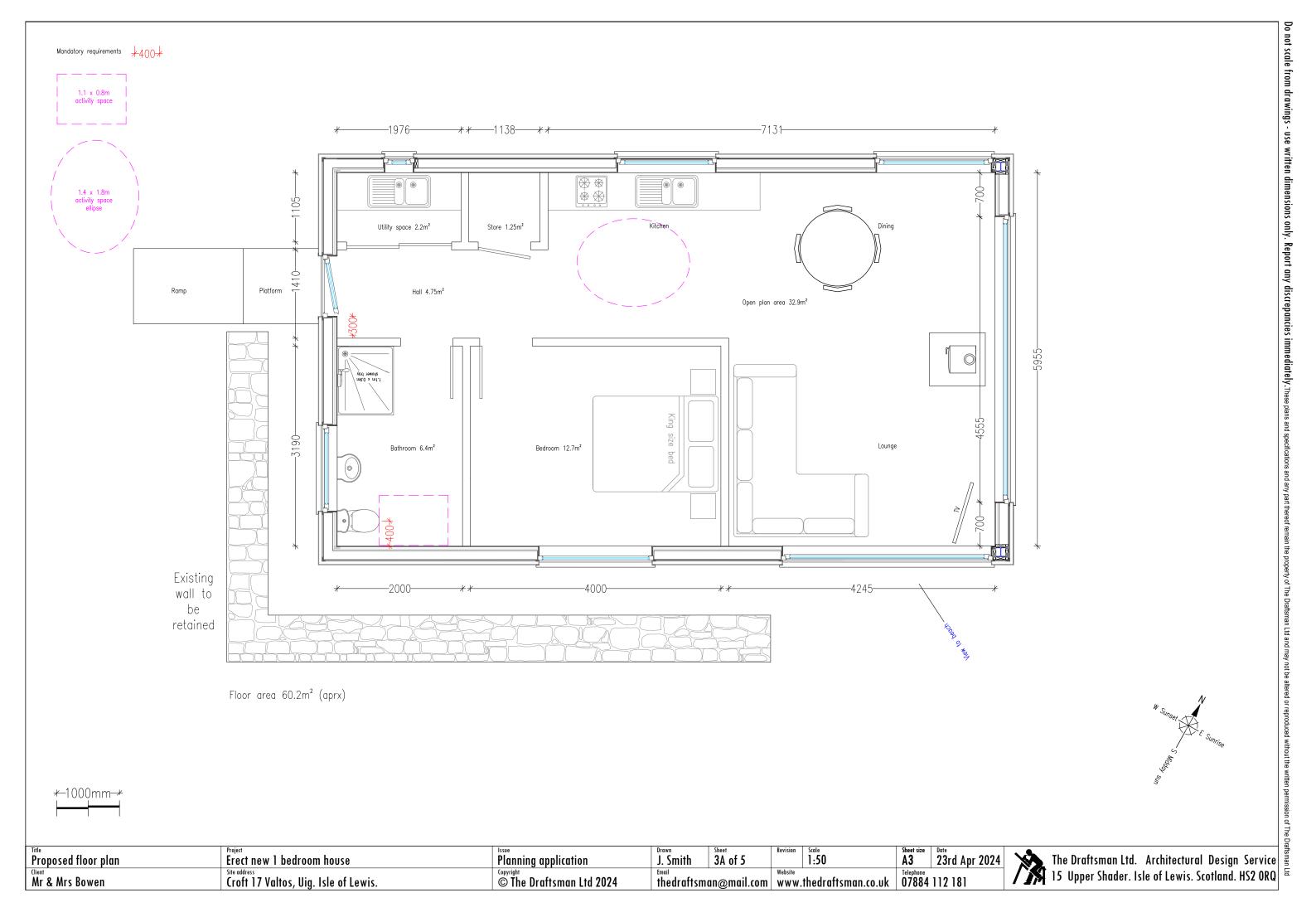
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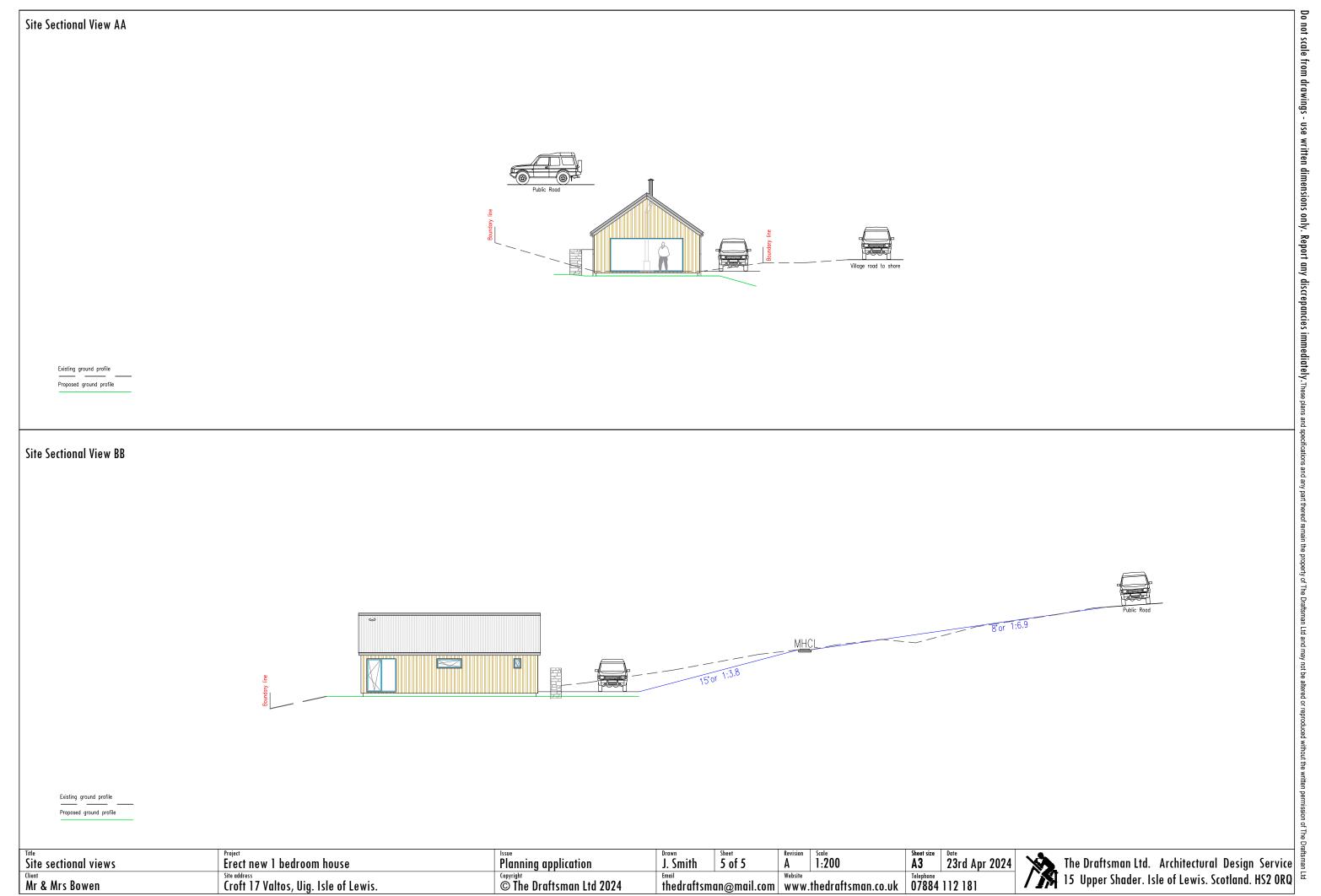
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Site address
Croft 17 Valtos, Uig. Isle of Lewis.

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**Project:** Erect new one bedroom, 60m² single storey house

**Location:** Former barn, 17 Valtos.

Client: Keith Bowen

**Date:** 5<sup>th</sup> May 2024

#### **Design Statement**

#### Context

The costal site lies on the East side of the village of Valtos, overlooking Kyles Pabay (Caolas Phabaigh), and looking across the water toward the islands of Pabaigh Mor and Bhacasaigh. Located approximately 30m from the single track Valtos village road. The site also has views to the island of Great Bernera to the west. The site is located within the South Lewis, Harris and North Uist National Scenic Area.

The proposed development has been designed to sit within the existing stone walls that remain of a now derelict, barn on the site. The ridge line of the proposed building will be slightly below the level of the village road, thereby reducing the visual impact of the building on the surrounding landscape, and having little effect on the seaward views from the surrounding, more elevated houses.



Image 1. The site when viewed from the Valtos village road. Pabaigh Mor can be viewed in the background.

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Image 2. The site when viewed from the East, looking back toward the Valtos village road.

#### **Existing Site Description:**

The un-enclosed site was formerly part of croft Nr. 17 Valtos and would have originally been used as rough grazing land for livestock. The croft is unsuitable for use as arable land. The barn, which will be partially demolished has fallen into a derelict state.

### **Proposed Development Details:**

The proposal is to erect one bedroom,  $60\text{m}^2$ , single storey house. The house will be rectangular in shape floor plan, with a large glazed window facing the sea. An access road, turning area and parking will be provided. The floor level of the building has been set at a low level to minimise the quantity and extent of infill material required, and ensure the house in in keeping with the surrounding low-rise housing. Given the low-lying nature of the site, below the village road, surrounded by undulating landscape on all sides and the simple nature of the design and small scale and form of the house, it is not considered that the development will negatively impact on the surrounding environment.

#### Surrounding Buildings:

The existing houses in the village of Valtos are a mixture of stone-built traditional styled croft houses, modern timber frame houses, older houses that have been extended and altered and architect designed, contemporary housing. From the proposed site, no two houses visible are the same in style, size or external finish. There is no discernible building line in the immediate vicinity. The proposed building does not overlook any neighbouring houses.

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#### Services:

Electricity - There are existing over-head power lines adjacent to the site. Foul water - It is proposed that the foul water drainage will be connected to the adjacent mains sewer. Water supply - The house will be connected to the mains water supply. Surface water drainage — Surface water drainage will be discharged to the sea. Telecoms. There are telegraph poles within close proximity to the site.