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Property Name Porte des Bombes – Floriana Lines

> Address Triq Nazzjonali, Floriana

Town Name Floriana **Toponym** Local Council Floriana

Property Owner Government **Managing Body**

Guardianship Deed

Period Modern (18th Century)

Phase Early Modern: Knights of St John (18th Century)

Historical Cultural Heritage **Cultural Heritage** Architectural Type & Value

Property Value Outstanding Assessment

Fortification Property Function Conservation Area UCA (Floriana)

Outline Description Gateway

Property Description

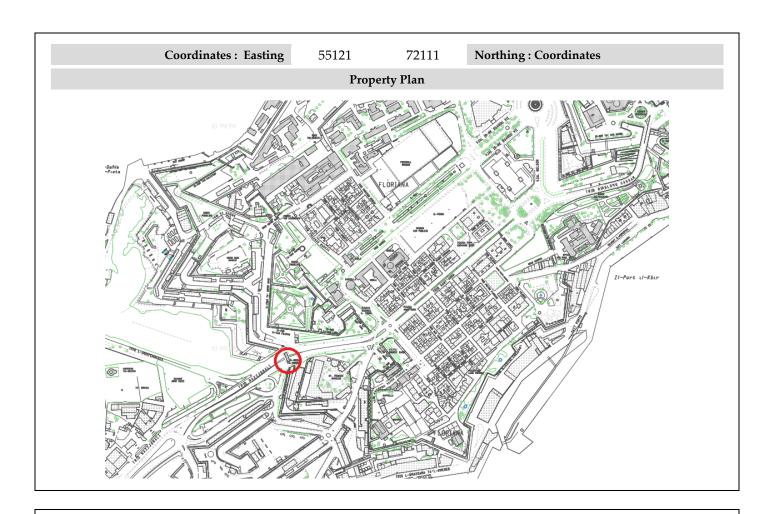
Although popularly known as Porte des Bombs, this gateway was originally referred to as Porta dei Cannoni owing to the cannon-like pilasters that embellished its façade. The original gateway, which had only one entrance, was built in 1720 but was enlarged with the addition of a second bay during the mid-nineteenth century to acquire its present day form. The gateway was initially located in the faussebraye but the demolition of the adjoining ramparts on either side of the gateway has resulted in a triumphal-arch' type of monument that is not easily legible as being part of the fortification system. The gateway is crowned by three trophies of arms from the original gateway.

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