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SUPERINTENDENCE OF CULTURAL HERITAGE

# National Inventory of the Cultural Property of the Maltese Islands

NICPMI Inv. No. 1528

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<b>Property Name</b>	St Helen Curtain – Sta Margherita Lines		
<b>Address</b>	Triq Santa Liena, Bormla		
<b>Town Name</b>	Bormla	<b>Toponym</b>	<b>Local Council</b> Bormla
<b>Property Owner</b>	Government	<b>Managing Body</b>	
<b>Guardianship Deed</b>			

<b>Period</b>	Modern (18th Century)		
<b>Phase</b>	Early Modern: Knights of St John (18th Century)		
<b>Cultural Heritage Type &amp; Value</b>	Historical Architectural	<b>Cultural Heritage Property Value Assessment</b>	Outstanding
<b>Property Function</b>	Fortification	<b>Conservation Area</b>	UCA (Bormla)

<b>Outline Description</b>	Stepped curtain wall
<b>Property Description</b>	St Helen Curtain is a long casemated curtain that plugs the floor of the Valley descending down into Bormla. The curtain is a stepped casemated structure protected by traverses, A gateway with decorated Baroque portal, known as St Helen Gate o Porta dei Mortari, provided a main entrance point into the town of Bormla. The curtain was protected by a large lunette, no longer standing. Two modern openings, one on each side of St Helen Gate were made to facilitate the flow of vehicular traffic.

<b>Scheduled by MEPA</b>	Yes	<b>Degree of Protection</b>	Grade 1	<b>G.N. No.</b>	133	<b>G.N. Date</b>	2001
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<b>Recommended Bibliography</b>	S.C. Spiteri, Fortresses of the Knights (Malta,2001), 290-4
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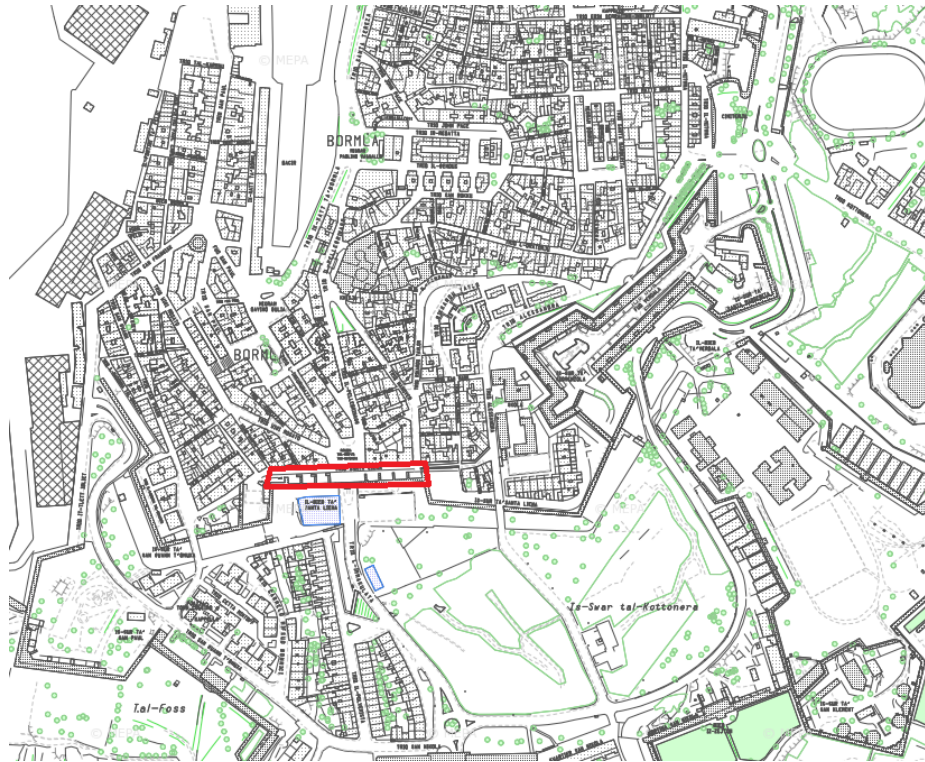
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### Property Plan



### Property Images

