

Test of Reasonableness Board (TORB)

As per the Equal Opportunities (Persons with Disability) Act I of 2000 Cap. 413 of the Laws of Malta

Our Ref: FebTORB_04

1st March 2019

Mr. Clayton Zammit
22 La Stella Band Club
Triq il-Kbira c/w Triq iż-Żebbuġa
Gudja

PA/06385/18 – Gudja – Sanctioning of premises as built, installation of a ramp for services, restoration of facades.

On Friday 22nd February 2019 the Test of Reasonableness Board (TORB) discussed a request for exemption received on the above indicated permit. Perit Jesmond Mugliett and Mr. Clayton Zammit were present on behalf of the applicant.

Exemption was requested on the conditions stated in CRPD's access audit report.

CRPD objected on the following non-conforming elements:

- The architect is to declare if the floor beneath the front patio is part of this planning application since the photos and the elevation do not correspond with the section
- Wall sign should be provided on façade to indicate the accessible entrance (All main entrances)
- The threshold exceed the maximum permissible floor level (Accessible Entrance -0.85m/+0.00m)
- The accessible entrance double leaf door do not conform to AADG 2011 (Elevation and plan do not correspond)
- The 'Vertical Platform Lift' should be clearly indicated. Moreover, the dimensions for the platform lift with two doors located at 90 degrees relative to each other do not conform to AADG 2011
- The spot level +0.00m at the top of the vertical platform lift do not correspond. Moreover, the bottom landing spot level should be indicated
- The accessible route exit sign height do not conform to AADG 2011
- Some of the double leaf doors do not conform to AADG 2011 (One leaf should be in accordance)

- The front balcony & Terrace (First Floor) ramps gradients/dimensions & landings do not conform to AADG 2011
- The roof ramp (Lift to Roof) top landing and width dimensions do not conform to AADG 2011
- The roof ramp (Roof to Workshop) gradient/dimensions do not conform to AADG 2011

Taking all arguments in consideration, the TORB concluded that the plans presented to TORB regarding the Ground Floor and First Floor are deemed acceptable and thus it is **REASONABLE** to exempt* these floors from fully conforming to Accessibility Standards. Roof plans should however be amended so as to conform to Accessibility Standards as discussed during board.

**Exempted elements are ticked in an X above.*



Rita Vella
Chairperson
Test of Reasonableness Board