

Test of Reasonableness Board (TORB)

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

13th September 2019

Our Ref: JulTORB_07

Mr. Tancred Tabone
Conservatorio Vincenzo Bugeja
462, St. Joseph High Road
Santa Venera SVR 1010

PA/07638/18 – Sta. Venera – Proposed refurbishment of existing homes Class 2A (including shifting of partitions, removal of walls and the reorganization of the kitchen, the sanitary facilities and bedrooms).

On Thursday 5th September 2019 the Test of Reasonableness Board (TORB) discussed a request for exemption received on the above indicated permit. Applicants were not requested to attend since case was already discussed on the previous TORB dated July 2019.

Exemption was requested on the main entrance door from conforming to AADG 2011 due to the limited funds obtained, the site limitations of the Grade 2 scheduled building and since an automated door would not be feasible since the main door is kept closed at all times and only opened by staff due to the use of the Class 2A home.

CRPD objected on the following non-conforming elements:

Internal Environment:

Internal Door Widths only compliant for 1 bedroom and 1 adjacent bathroom. Main door not compliant.

Taking all arguments in consideration, the TORB concluded that it is **REASONABLE** to exempt the main door from being fully compliant with AADG 2011 as long as the use of the property remains as a home for children with challenging behaviour.

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



Rita Vella
Chairperson
Test of Reasonableness Board