

Test of Reasonableness Board (TORB)

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

9th October 2019

Our Ref: SepTORB_03

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PA/01426/19 – Sliema – Proposed change of use of 3 adjoining residential terraced house (Class 1) into guest house (Class 3a), include roof level extension, internal alterations and sign on façade.

On Wednesday 2nd October 2019 the Test of Reasonableness Board (TORB) discussed a request for exemption received on the above indicated permit. Perit Kurt Vella, Perit Andre Mallia and Mr. Chris Diamantino were present on behalf of applicant.

Exemption was requested on the main entrance, the ensuite of the accessible guest room and the lift cabin dimensions due to the historical limitations of the property.

CRPD objected on the following non-conforming elements:

- Main entrances contain steps
- The width of the door leaf openings do not conform to AADG 2011
- The dimensions of the lift's cabin do not conform to AADG 2011
- No accessible for all guestrooms with accessible for all en-suite has been provided
- Stepped access linking the 2 properties
- Stepped access at roof level
- No accessible for all sanitary facilities at roof level
- No refuge area for persons with disabilities

Taking all arguments in consideration, the TORB concluded that it is **REASONABLE** to exempt the main entrance on condition that a removable ramp (with buzzer and signage) according to AADG 2011 to be placed upon request is provided. Lift landing behind lift at ground floor level is also exempted due to the existing space limitations. Other matters should be seen to as advised during board.

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



Rita Vella
Chairperson
Test of Reasonableness Board