

Test of Reasonableness Board (TORB)

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

2nd June 2020

Our Ref: 20200529_TORB05

Mr. Anthony Muscat
Social Projects Management Ltd
459, Bugeia Institute
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Sta Venera SVR1012

PA/03918/19 – Rabat – Internal and external alterations to existing structure, including dismantling of highly deteriorated roofs and re-construction, construction of an additional floor and restoration of existing structure to accommodate two social housing units.

On Friday 29th May 2020 the Test of Reasonableness Board (TORB) discussed a request for exemption received on the above indicated permit application. Perit Jessica Sammut was present on behalf of the applicant.

CRPD objected on the following non-conforming element:

- The alley ramp length and width do not conform as per AADG2011 & LN198 of 2019.

Applicant had already applied for the TORB in April 2020 whereby an exemption was granted from the installation of a passenger lift to the First Floor Unit on condition that the Ground Floor Level is accessible for all.

Plans have since been updated to render the Ground Floor unit accessible however the alley ramp which was previously proposed as accessible is now being proposed as existing and thus not in accordance to AADG 2011. Exemption requested to keep the alley ramp with its existing ramp length and width in view that it is not property of the Housing Authority.

It was noted however that the road will be re-done by the Housing Authority in conjunction with the proposed works.

Taking all arguments in consideration, the TORB concluded that it is **NOT REASONABLE** to exempt.



Ms. Rita Vella
Chairperson
Test of Reasonableness Board