

Test of Reasonableness Board (TORB)

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

10th September 2020

Our Ref: 20200903_TORB03

Ms. Sandra Magri Sant Fournier
Block 70 Flat 1
Gafar Street
Sliema SLM 1345

PA/08581/17 – Mdina – Amended application to PA 1322/12. To make internal and external alterations, and change of use from residential to Class 3A Guesthouse.

On Thursday 3rd September 2020 the Test of Reasonableness Board (TORB) discussed a request for exemption received on the above indicated permit. Perit Colin Zammit, Ms. Sandra Magri Sant Fournier and Mr. Omar Magri were present on behalf of the applicant.

Exemption requested on the main entrance as although approved plans showed a difference in level of 25cm from ground floor level to road level, it transpired that the difference in level is that of 36cm and to make the required ramps would take up a lot of space.

A roll-a-ramp was instead proposed to be put upon request as it would not compromise the structure of the building however CRPD was in objection to it in view that it was not proposed within the building alignment.

Application was already discussed on the TORB in July 2020 whereby the board had advised the applicants to provide further information as discussed including updated plans of the proposed ramp, dimensions, spot levels etc. The applicants were also advised to communicate with external entities in regards to the proposal in view that the proposed ramp will be on the public footpath.

An updated plan was submitted showing the ramp and ramp specifications on plan however the applicants advised that they did not contact further authorities since the ramp will be temporary and therefore there "is no need to."

Taking all arguments in consideration, the TORB concluded it is **REASONABLE** to exempt the main entrance on condition that a bell and signage according to AADG 2011 are implemented in conjunction with the provided roller ramp. Exemption is subject to approval from the relevant authorities.



Ms. Rita Vella
Chairperson
Test of Reasonableness Board