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Location: Site at, Ta Majru, Marsascale, Malta

Proposal: To sanction construction of agricultural store and reservoir as built

Appeal from Refusal

Reference is made to the refusal decision imposed by the Planning Directorate on the application in caption.

The refusal decision refers to the lack of justification for the permit for the agricultural room since no evidence for agricultural produce has been provided. This argument is highly discriminatory against my client. The photos presented by the same directorate and also those being presented below clearly show that the field is being maintained cultivated especially during the rainy season. The lack of cultivation during the Summer months is mainly attributed the huge losses that farmers are experiencing especially during the last period.

Moreover, the application also involves the sanctioning of a water reservoir. This reservoir is very small and is aimed to make up for the lack of rainfall during the Winter period to limit the loss of crops.

Finally please note that during the processing of the application, and as stated in the DPA report, my client removed most of the illegalities that were present on site except the basic requirements needed for the cultivation and storage of equipment. He was also was in the process of reinstating the beaten earth areas back to soil. This has been rectified accordingly.

In view of the above, I request that the refusal decision is overturned by the EPRT and that a permit is issued with the necessary conditions

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