

28<sup>th</sup> April 2021SUBMISSION OF APPEALThe Secretary,  
Environment & Planning Review Tribunal,  
Floriana.

Madam,

Application No.: PA/07556/17  
Location : Il-Fustanija, Sqaq il-Qanpiena off Triq il-Gistakor, Għaxaq  
Proposal : Sanctioning of existing ramp

I am writing on behalf of Mr. Felix Borg to submit an appeal against the dismissal of the above-mentioned application, which was issued by the Planning Commission on the 24<sup>th</sup> March 2021 and published on the 7<sup>th</sup> April 2021. A copy of this dismissal is attached.

This development application consisted in the sanctioning of a ramp, which provided access to applicant's fields. This application was approved by the Planning Commission on the 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2018, on condition that the ramp be changed from a concrete ramp to a beaten earth one. The non-executable permit was issued on the 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2018 (copy attached) subject to the above-mentioned condition.

Attached is a site plan indicating applicant's property, which consists of a plot of agricultural dry land – 'raba' baghli'. The field is accessible from an alley and it is situated at a lower level than the alley. The ramp is needed to enable applicant to access the field with agricultural machinery. When it rains a lot of rainwater comes down the alley and given the location of the field at the end of the alley, most of this rainwater runoff goes down the ramp and is collected in the water reservoir. Given the amount of rainwater that passes through the alley, if the ramp is in beaten earth, it will be washed away with the first rainfall. This is the reason why the ramp was done in concrete.

In view of this the Environment and Planning Review Tribunal is being requested to reconsider this condition and to approve the sanctioning of the ramp as existing. Attached are also photos showing the alley, the ramp and the field.

Further information regarding this request will be submitted during the hearing of this appeal.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "L. Micallef".

L. Micallef, A.&C.E.  
Warrant No. 98  
Att.