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OUR REF:

2414-160301-01EM

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PA 1646/15

March 01, 2016

The Environmental & Planning Review Tribunal St Francis Ravelin Floriana

Dear Sir/Madam

Application Number:

PA 1646/15

Location:

Site at: Triq il-Qawra, San Pawl il-Bahar, Malta

Proposal:

To renew PA 353/13: installation of kiosk and placing of tables and chairs (To

sanction)

Request for Appeals

Reference is made to the refusal of the application mentioned in caption.

In this refusal, the EPC has refused this application on the fact that this development contains illegalities for which sanctioning is not being sought.

Comments:

As highlighted in the original PA 0353/13, this application refers to the re-establishment of a permit for the relocation of a previously-existing kiosk which had to be shifted by the Malta Tourism Authority in view of the aquarium project that was developed further up the road. Applicant had been in fact the operator of a kiosk in the immediate vicinity of MTA's project and was requested by the same Authority to relocate his establishment further down from the site.

Following the granting of the permit PA 353/13, MEPA had imposed a condition that PA 353/13 had to be renewed, presumably in the hope that the Local Plan for the area would have been reviewed within this period. Since no change has been effected to the Local Plan, so far, then what was previously approved in PA 353/13 still holds nowadays as no changes to what had been approved were submitted with this new application. In addition, we had suggested a request

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to the EPC board, that this time round, the validity of this application, when granted, should be a for a period of at least **three years** due to the fact that it is highly unlikely that the Local Plans will be reviewed in the next two years, and applicant's kiosk should be placed accordingly following the future revised local plan.

As to the illegalities that have been pointed out in the case officer's report, the EPRT is kindly requested to note that these have been duly removed by Applicant. Photographs of what exists on site can be submitted in due course for the benefit of the Tribunal, or when duly requested.

Considering therefore that since Applicant is requesting a development permit which had already been granted in PA 0353/13, we therefore for the above considerations, are strongly of the opinion that our application should be given positive consideration.

perit Etienne Magri

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