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 Your Ref: PA 5313/20



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RE: Appeal against Refusal by the Planning Board

Location: Site at Tar Raghad, Triq il Banjijiet Rumani, Mgarr

With reference to the above mentioned site and following Planning Boards refusal, on behalf of our clients, Mr Joseph Schembri and Mr Christian P. Micallef, we kindly ask the Appeals Tribunal to re-assess this application and reach its own conclusions.

Client: Mr Joseph Schembri and Mr Christian P. Micallef

The reasons for our appeal are based on the following:

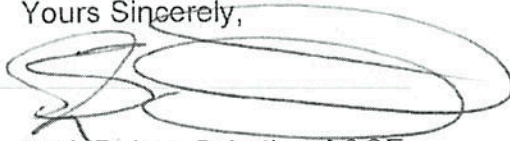
1. Before the EPC sitting, we have requested for a suspension (minute 1282), reply of which we have not received. What we have received was a letter (minute 1383A) stating that our request for suspension is to be brought forward before the Planning Board during the same sitting.
2. During the board sitting, we have frequently asked the PA Board to suspend this application in order for us be in a position to submit revised plans following discussions with the Department of Agriculture, Ministry of Economy (Trade Dept) and the Ministry of Energy. This request was turned down by the Chairman of the Planning Board.
3. Attached please also find a change of Applicant form as well as revised drawings since these were intended to be submitted during the suspension period. **The revised drawings clearly indicate a lowering of the said green houses to a height of 4.0m as well as the total development will have a site coverage of 42%.**
4. The Proposed greenhouses will be used to grow extensive amounts of crops which will be put on the local market for sale, whilst the solar activity, will be used to lower the commercial cost of the Agricultural product and at the same time supply the national grid with electricity. Through this intervention the engineering section of the agricultural activity will financially enhance the agricultural process reducing the production cost through the electrical subsidy.
5. In view of the fact that the green houses will be placed into the ground using small concrete plinths, minor land disturbance will take place. In view of this to further ensure that there will be no damage to any Archaeological remains and Archaeological monitor can be engaged.
6. Thus the proposed development is purely to re-invest in the agricultural activity and making the produce more financially viable. Conditions may be also imposed by the authority to ensure that should the Agricultural process stop, the solar activity is to immediately stop aswell.

Witnesses for this appeal:

1. Planning Authority personnel involved in the processing of this application
2. Planning Board members
3. Various persons who participated during the hearing

In view of the above, we kindly ask the Appeals Tribunal to hear this appeal and reach its own conclusions.

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Perit Ruben Sciortino', written over a large, light-colored oval stamp or watermark.

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o.b.o R.S. Design Assoc.