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Our ref: MIJS/A1

Our ref: PA7826/21

Date: 19<sup>th</sup> April, 2022

The Secretary  
Environment and Planning Review Tribunal  
PO Box 172  
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**REF: PA7826/21 – to carry out internal and external alterations and to construct additions  
at first floor level and pool**

### **Request for Appeal**

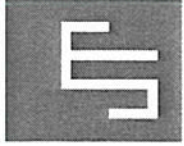
I refer to the above application which has been refused by the Planning Commission. The only reason for refusal quoted by the Planning Commission was as follows:

*Clearance from the Superintendence of Cultural Heritage for the proposed alterations/additions to existing vernacular building has not been obtained in view that the requested additional information was not submitted. The proposal would therefore detract from the historical value of the vernacular building, running counter to the provisions of Thematic Objective 8 of the Strategic Plan for Environment and Development which aims for the safeguarding and enhancement of cultural heritage.*

In reality, my client had lost interest in this application before the Planning Commission's decision since the Planning Directorate had initially raised a number of objections including sanitary issues which my client had considered as rendering her proposed project unfeasible.



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By the time the case was referred to the Planning Commission for a decision, these issues had only been reduced to the lack of clearance by SCH and the proposal had been cleared with respect to sanitary regulation issues. My client has since rekindled her interest in this application and is willing to seek SCH clearance.

We therefore submitting this request for appeal while in the meantime seeking SCH clearance, following our submission to the SCH of the requested additional information.

We kindly request to be informed with respect to all developments and sittings concerning this request for appeal.

Yours truly,

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