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Environment and Planning Review Tribunal  
Block B, St. Francis Ditch,  
Floriana



LOCATION Churchill Restaurant, Triq Xatt Ix- Xlendi, Xlendi (Ghawdex)  
 PROPOSAL To sanction existing canopy (position of canopy as approved in DN 1479/13),  
 screening of services and sign.  
 CLIENT Ms. Rose Grech

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On behalf of applicant Ms Rosie Grech, I am submitting appeal re. refusal of permission to PA 81/10.

Reasons provided by PA for refusal are the following (doc 144a);

***1. The existing structure is permanent and exceeds a height of 1.2 meters and therefore the proposal runs Policy P21 and the criteria listed in Policy P22 of Enclosures – general planning and design considerations of Policy, Guidance and Standards for Outdoor Catering Areas on Public Open Space. The structure being sanctioned therefore also runs counter to Gozo and Comino Local Plan Policy GZ-TRSM.***

It is important to note that the currently existing canopy is compliant to the approved temporary structure as approved in the DN 1479/13 & DN 469/13.

Furthermore, as has been indicated in the attached 2018 aerial photograph and photos of existing establishments along the shoreline, a number of similar approved permits have been cited. The existing design of the canopy complements the surrounding third-party canopies.

The original application was originally proposed in 2010, when MEPA at the time, were planning to issue a masterplan for the Xlendi Bay area. Thus, at the time, application had to be suspended, pending issuing of master plan.

Said masterplan however was never issued, and thus applicant is now presently applying for sanctioning of canopy. Due to this fact, said application is now being related to the more recent policy 'Policy, Guidance and Standards for Outdoor Catering Areas on Public Open Spaces, 2016.', which at the time, said policy had not been yet published.

Thank you for your attention,

Perit Joseph Bondin