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1 NEW CONTACT DETAILS FOR THE PLANNING AUTHORITY

The coming into force of Act VII of 2016 – Development Planning Act, 2016 (Cap. 552 of the Laws of Malta) on 4th April 2016 has brought about a new Planning Authority. The following are the Authority's contact details:

Postal Address: Planning Authority, St Francis Ravelin, Floriana FRN 1230

Website: www.pa.org.mt

Generic email: customercare@pa.org.mt

Representations email: representations@pa.org.mt

Enforcement Reporting email: enforcement.complaints@pa.org.mt

Telephone: 22900000

Emergency Enforcement Report line: 99269926

2 AVAILABILITY OF NEW FORMS

The Planning Authority would like to alert all stakeholders that new forms have been made available on its new website at <http://www.pa.org.mt/pa-application-forms>. These forms refer to the relative articles of the new Development Planning Act, 2016, where relevant, and should be used in relation to all submissions intended to be made henceforth.

3 SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS FOR APPLICATIONS RELATING TO GOVERNMENT PROPERTY

Applications for proposals on Government property should not only include a copy of the "Applicant's Notification to Owner" (Form PA1/16), but should also be accompanied by a clearance from the Government Property Division, stating that it finds no objection in principle to the submission of an application on the site in question for the proposed development. Applications on Government property submitted without such a clearance will be considered as incomplete.

All such applications due to be decided on or after the 30th May 2016, shall be suspended for a maximum period of one year. Following which, if the applicant fails to provide the Authority with a no objection from the Government Property Division, the Authority shall refuse the application in terms of Article 71(4) of the Development Planning Act, 2016, stating that the applicant is not authorised to apply for development permission as s/he has failed to obtain the owner's consent to such a proposal.

This provision applies to all Development Planning Applications, Screening Requests and notifications in terms of the Development Notification Order.