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TAL-PATRIMONJU KULTURALI  
SUPERINTENDENCE OF CULTURAL HERITAGE

Our Ref:

Your Ref: DN 00941/20

**To the attention of:**

Executive Chairperson

Planning Authority

08 October 2020

**Ref. Cultural Heritage Act 2019 (CAP 445)**

**DN 00941/20 –Site at, Triq Dun Pawl Vella, Sliema**

**Cultural Heritage Context**

The site in question is located:

- within the Urban Conservation Area of Sliema;
- abutting the Grade 1 Scheduled Parish Church of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart of Jesus (G.N. 0782 of 2011);
- within the setting zone (P.A. Circular 03/20) of this scheduled building.

**Proposal**

The proposal is for the formation of stormwater management systems beneath the existing paving, the reinstatement of salvaged paving blocks, and the repair and replacement of any damaged blocks.

**Discussion**

The proposal is for the removal of the existing, and possibly original, paving blocks to construct a water catchment system, with the reinstatement of the original blocks envisioned. Repair and replacement to damaged blocks is also being proposed.

The Superintendence notes the Works Method Statement at Doc. 11a and deems it acceptable. The works will entail the removal of the hardstone paving, numbered accordingly, with repair and replacement to any damaged stones.

The presence of Second World War air-raid shelters cannot be excluded. The architect/applicant is being made aware of this possibility.

**Recommendation and conditions**

The Superintendence does not object to the proposed works.

General note: The applicant is reminded that in the event of an accidental discovery in the course of approved works, any cultural heritage feature, including any movable objects, discovered should not be damaged or disturbed and the Superintendence of Cultural Heritage is to be immediately informed of such discovery on [monitoring.sch@gov.mt](mailto:monitoring.sch@gov.mt). Any cultural heritage features discovered are to be



investigated, evaluated and protected in line with the Cultural Heritage Act 2019 (CAP 445). The discovery of cultural heritage features may require the amendment of approved plans. Non-adherence to the above can lead to the imposition of fines in line with the Cultural Heritage Act and the Development Planning Act.

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