

Swieqi Local Council

Council meeting – 13th November 2013

12/09 – tarmac laid in Pedidalwett

27/09 + 28/09 – laqa tas sindki -

02/10 – tarmaqc laid in triq il-qasam – first phase

03/10 – council meeting

04/10 – met Edward of Schembri Bros re quotation for Pedidalwett parking area. The quotation has not been given to us yet even though I have chased him on several occasions. It now appears that he will not proceed with works unless he receives some payment on account.

07/10 – met Hon Buontempo re financing of outdoor gym and other sports facilities.

Confirmed that the outdoor gym will be financed by KMS as had been agreed with the previous administration. The equipment has been ordered and it should be arriving by third week in November. Contractor Simon will soon start clearing the site.

09/10 – met Simon Grima TM CEO in charge of roads together with architects Conti and Lorraine re triq it Terz, triq Stasija, Triq tal Franciz + triq il-Keffa.

Re Terz - According to Mr Grima there should be no issues for the blockage in triq it Terz to be removed, since both corner plots have been built and since both corner buildings have windows looking onto triq it Terz.

Re Stasija, this is not as clear cut since there are no buildings on either side of where the dividing wall is situated. Me Grima said that TM could expropriate on behalf of the council and then the council will pay TM !!

RE Tal Franciz, agreed to meet architects Conti and Lorraine on site – report below.

Architect D Falzon has prepared a report which has been handed over to architect David Vassallo from TM.

16/10 – meeting at MEPA re UIF funds agreement for the refurbishment of the tennis court.

We also discussed the possibility of having the embellishment of triq il-Qasam financed by UIF funds. Architect Falzon had to put in an application.

16/10 – met council lawyer re court case/claim for architect’s fees. Mr Hugh Zammit will inform Council about this meeting and the court sitting that was held.

18/10 – met TM architects Conte & Lorraine on site

We discussed the situation of triq tal Franciz. They confirmed that triq tal Franciz was scheduled for resurfacing works. however these will not be carried out unless the illegal works carried out by the developer were resolved. Architect Dieter Falzon has written to MEPA about the subject matter.

18/10 – met architect and contractor re works in triq il-Qasam. confirmed that works were progressing well and that as soon as phase 2 was completed works will move to phase 3, that is at the lower end of triq il-Qasam (near the farm) so as not to risk disrupting the Christmas shopping in the area near Marlows etc.

18/10 – met Mr Attard of Green MT re situation of bring in sites in triq il-Keffa.

Mr Attard admitted that according to their ‘tracking system’ it was evident that the cleaner had not been on site for a number of days. He said that Green MT will clean up the area, whilst Wasteserv will empty the bins .

21/10 – met the new superintendant, Mr Carmel Bartolo and his assistant. We discussed issues that are related with the locality, such as disturbances and vandalism caused by people who attend Paceville and students who reside in the locality. We also discussed the protection that Swieqi residents are hoping to receive in the form of a Police Station and having police on the beat. Halloween was also discussed.

24/10 – met Ms Genevieve Abela , CEO at Feltom. Discussed the issue of Schools in Swieqi and neighbouring Pembroke and St Julians as well as the numerous students who reside in Swieqi. Ms Abela explained how seriously the Federation treats the matter of disruption that students may cause in the locality. she suggested that we tackle the issue of residential permits with Malta Tourism authority.

24/10 – Met Mr Charles Muscat from TM . Items discussed :

- 1) Whether there was any particular reason why part Transport Malta did not accept our request to change part of triq il-Hemel and part of triq il-ghajn into ‘one ways’.**
- 2) On the possibility that triq tal Mekkek and triq Santa Katerina be turned into one ways**
- 3) What can be done to remove the protruding building in triq tal Mekkek (near G P Borg)**
- 4) On the possibility that the road in the valley linking Swieqi to San Gwann be widened**
- 5) As to whether he could help us solve the problem caused by the developer who blocked triq tal-Franciz**
- 6) As to whether he could help us solve the issues of triq it Terz and triq li Stasija.**

Still waiting for a reply. A reminder has been sent.

re triq tal Franciz, triq il-Ghajn, triq il-Hemel

24/10 – met Simon (patching contractor) re formation of a pavement in triq it Tiben. Quotes obtained. One quote is in the range of € 4,000 and another in the range of € 2,600.

24/10 – locality meeting re Local Plan Reforms was held at the Ibrag Parish Hall. Architect Dieter Falzon was in attendance. Residents voiced their concern re development that is taking place in the locality.

25/10 – meeting with Hon Herrera & Hon Vella at the Birgu LC . funds donated re lifelong learning project and information was given re cultural organised by local councils. It was the governments priority to organise activities during the months that are considered to be low season, that is November and April.

30/10 tarmac laid in another section of triq il-qasam - from triq it Tiben to triq il-wizna. Works will now proceed at the lower end of triq il-Qasam, that is near the farm

06/11- met WSC officials re Triq l-Inginier – wsc dig a trench so as to lay water mains and tarmac the part excavated.

Agreed that the contractor – who happens to be the same contractor working in triq il-Qasam, will lay tarmac in the whole road and he will be paid from funds available re ‘Madliena roads’. Council to confirm whether the department will allow this transaction.

09/11 – attended konferenza ambaxxatur taz zaghzagh. Tyler Cassar from triq l-Uqija has been selected to represent the local council.

Noel Muscat

13.11.13

Congratulate Mario for being elected to the AKL.

Convey condolences to Councillor Mr Paul Fenech re sad demise of his son in law

Purchase of trees for triq il-qasam

Embellishment triq tal Franciz c/w lbrag

Building of pavement in triq it Tiben