Meeting	Public Consultation for EIS update PA 00299/05 & PA 04160/10
Date	02/12/2011
Duration	Circa: 15.10 – 15.30
Location	Maurice Suite, Fortina Hotel, Sliema
Present	Dr Petra Bianchi (Chairperson; Director of Environment Protection - MEPA); Alex Camilleri (EPD - MEPA); Paul Gauci (EIA Coordinator - ERSLI Consultants)
Minutes taken by	Charmaine Zerafa (MEPA, EPD)

Dr. Petra Bianchi opened the meeting giving details about the application that is; PA 299/05 & PA 4160/10: *Erection of multistorey office block, business centre/ conference theatre. Construction of two residential blocks (superstructure only) including catering outlets at ground floor with external seating area. Construction of north shore beach club*. Clarification vis-à-vis the purpose of the meeting was provided, that is, that the meeting was part of the EIA process and that it was not a decision-taking meeting but was being held to present the EIA update to the public and to listen to the views of those attending.

Dr. Paul Gauci, o.b.o. ERSLI Consultants gave a presentation explaining the studies carried out as part of the EIS update for the two applications.

Dr. Petra Bianchi opened the floor for comments after the presentation.

Comments:

Anne Zammit* (*journalist) commented that it seemed that visually the building blocks were simply being shifted around from certain viewpoints, it appeared that the impact was less and from certain others it appeared to be the same. Ms. Zammit commented that the proposed development seemed to result in more or less the same amount of visual impact as the approved development for Tigné.

Dr Petra Bianchi closed the meeting by confirming that the points raised had been noted. She also thanked the participants and invited them to send any further comments by post to: MEPA Head Offices, St Francis Ravelin, Floriana or by email to *eiamalta@mepa.org.mt* by Friday 9th December 2011.

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