

Press Release L-Imġarr Local Council

L-Imġarr Local Council is issuing this declaration with regards to the article that featured in the Times of Malta on Thursday 10th April on the decision taken by the MEPA tribunal on the embellishment of the road leading to the Mġarr cemetery.

The Local Council would like to emphasize that this project was planned several years ago during the fifth legislature. This embellishment project is planned to upgrade Triq ir-Ruĥ by planting Cypress trees, installing dim lights which are compatible with the surrounding environment as well as the integration of the *Via Crucis* in one of the walls.

The above-mentioned *Via Crucis* is composed of fourteen small bronze coloured statuettes measuring circa 60cm that will be embedded in local Coralline Limestone rock slabs. The latter will be integrated in the wall and will not exceed its height as reported in the Times of Malta article. These statuettes were donated by a group of local residents a decade ago and the local council did not spend any public funds for their purchase.

L-Imġarr Local Council would also like to remark that the MEPA process started in March 2008. After that the application was refused in 2011, the appeals board overturned the original decision based on various conditions. Thus this project is not a main priority for the present council but it will nevertheless be delivered in due time.