

ARCHITECTURE BRIEF

SC>2020.3

1. Project

1.1. Dar Mixtla

2. Site Location

2.1. Site is located in Block N Flat 1, Triq il-Wegħdiet, Birkirkara

3. Appointed Organisation

3.1. Fondazzjoni Sebħ
<http://www.sebh.mt/>

4. Project Description

The aim of the project is to enable young persons leaving Fondazzjoni Sebħ's residential homes for children and the families leaving the domestic violence shelter to access a semi-independent structure which prepares them for independent living. It also aims at enabling independent living without the unnecessary dependence on formal social services which amongst others include social housing and social assistance.

5. Programme

Function: The available human resources can deal with 3-6 individual/families at a given time.
Private-public/Communal Aspect
Disability
Sense of homeliness

Allocated Budget: €100,000

- 5.1. The submissions must include a Proposal to restore and refurbish the Property in line with the Project Description outlined above, and the detailed Briefs presented by the Appointed Organisation at the Briefing Session, as well as the Sustainable Communities – Housing for Tomorrow Guidelines which may be viewed [here](#)

6. Planning framework

- 6.1. Property fall under the requirements of the Central Malta Local Plan published by the Malta Environment and Planning Authority (MEPA) in 2006. The planning functions of the MEPA have now been taken over by the Planning Authority established in 2016. The relevant documents and maps may be viewed [here](#).
- 6.2. The Winning Entrant will be expected to seek and obtain planning permission for the Proposal. Any amendments required as a result of the planning process are to be discussed with and approved by the Contracting Authority and the respective Appointed Organisation.

7. Evaluation criteria

The following are the criteria to be used by the jury in the evaluation of the submissions:

- 7.1. Core criteria:
- a) Response to brief
 - b) Innovation
 - c) Conceptual strength
- 7.2. Architectural criteria:
- a) Beauty
 - b) Design approach
 - c) Idea of the design
 - d) Structural solutions
 - e) Quality and appearance of spaces
 - f) Sensitivity to urban context
 - g) Restoration approach
- 7.3. Functional criteria:
- a) Zoning of interior areas
 - b) Functionality of the solution
 - c) Segregation of uses

7.4. Social criteria:

- a) Inclusivity through design
- b) Accessibility
- c) Appropriateness for target user group age, gender, ability, and wellbeing
- d) Relationship with community

7.5. Environmental criteria

- a) Sustainability
- b) Use of materials
- c) Maintenance
- d) Greening of spaces

7.6. Urban criteria:

- a) Design of exterior spaces
- b) Relationship to context
- c) Alternative transport solutions
- d) Circulation and pedestrian pathways