

PA/01948/20 Excavation and Construction Mellieha Bay Hotel, Mellieha

ERA Comments on the CMP (dated November 2024).

1. Site	The Works Method Statements (see also point 8 in below), included in the updated CMP, do not elaborate if the proposed interventions will be in direct or so near to the sea. Hence, if interventions are envisaged to have impacts on the sea, the Permitting Unit within ERA is to immediately be contacted to ensure that all permits/clearances are obtained in view that the sea in that area is declared as an SAC- N2K.
2. Commencement Notice	Applicant/Contractor is to notify the Authority at least 5 working days prior to commencement of works.
3. Mitigation Measures	<p>All necessary mitigation measures such as adequate silt curtains are to be implemented to prevent runoff of concrete and/or construction debris at sea and the surrounding environment.</p> <p>During concrete pouring operations, additional adequate mitigation measures are to be fixed to avoid overspills and runoffs to on the sea.</p> <p>Spill response kits are to be readily available on site in the eventuality of spills both to land and sea. This also includes kits near machinery.</p>
4. Weather Conditions	No works are to be carried out during unfavourable weather conditions which could result in spillages and/or compromise the effectiveness of the mitigation measures.
5. Inadequate/insufficient Mitigation measures	<p>In the event of any spills to sea (e.g. turbidity resulting from the works in question), the applicant/contractor is responsible to stop all works with immediate effect and rectify the situation by fixing/installing additional mitigation measures as necessary.</p> <p>The Authority is to be kept informed in the eventuality of a spill.</p>
6. Environmental monitor	The details of the environmental monitor for this phase (if different from the current phase) is to be sent to ERA at the earliest, before the commencement of works.
7. Storage of C&D material or other waste streams	<p>Operator is to ensure that any debris/waste including those arising from excavation, construction and demolition operations are stored within a secure and contained manner, avoiding any possible runoff to sea, and left to dry as much as possible before being transported to an approved dumping site.</p> <p>Waste is to be deposited at facilities that are duly authorised by ERA for the purpose.</p>

8. Works methodology	If any such asbestos containing material is encountered, the waste shall be transferred to a duly permitted facility, using the consignment note system.
9. Dust mitigation measures	<p>Appropriate dust suppression measures shall be duly implemented at source, to address any activities that could result in significant dust generation and consequent spillage of dust into the surrounding terrestrial or the marine environment.</p> <p>Water misters for the purpose of dust suppression shall not be excessive so it does not inadvertently result into spillage/runoff into the surrounding land and/or the sea.</p>
10. Working hours	Construction phase operations shall take place during daylight hours (between sunrise and sunset).
11. Storage areas for plants and machinery	All necessary precaution shall take place during the manoeuvring of machinery and vehicles, including tower cranes to avoid accidental spillages or environmental damage beyond the extent of the site approved for development.
12. Completion of works	Once the works are complete, the contractor is to ensure that any debris and /or other material generated during the works as well as any excess construction material and construction phase machinery and structures are duly completely removed.

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