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## LOCAL COUNCILS ACT
## (CAP. 363)

## Control of Pigeons (Pietà Local Council) Bye-Laws, 2004

IN exercise of the powers conferred by articles 33, 34, 35(8) and 60 of the Local Councils Act, the Pietà Local Council has made the following Bye-Laws:-

Citation and commencement.

**1.1** The title of these Bye-Laws is the Control of Pigeons (Pietà Local Council) Bye-Laws, 2004.

**1.2.** These Bye-Laws shall come into force one month after their publication in the Gazette.

Interpretation.

**2.** In these Bye-Laws, unless the context otherwise requires:-

"the Act" means the Local Councils Act;

"the Council" means the Pietà Local Council;

"domestic pigeons" means pigeons which are kept in a residential place or in some other place for the purpose of recreation, hobby or sport;

"locality" means the locality of Pietà as shown in the Second Schedule to the Local Councils Act;

"wild pigeons" means pigeons which are not domestic pigeons.

The feeding of wild pigeons by any person is prohibited.

**3.1** The feeding of wild pigeons in any part of the locality is prohibited.

**3.2** It is also prohibited for any person to voluntarily leave food in places which are accessible to wild pigeons.

**3.3** The provisions of this article do not apply to those persons who keep or take care of domestic pigeons.

Abondoned immovable property.

**4.** The owners of abandoned immovable property within the locality shall ensure that the said property be sealed in such manner that no pigeons may enter or make nests therein.

Penalty.

**5.1** Any person who fails to comply with any of the provisions of these Bye-Laws shall be deemed to have committed a contravention and shall, on conviction, be liable unless a higher penalty is applicable under any other Law:-

**5.1.1** for a first contravention to a fine (*ammenda*) of twenty liri (Lm20);

**5.1.2** for a second or sunbsequent contravention to a fine (*ammenda*) of thirty liri (Lm30); and

**5.1.3** in the case of a continuing contravention, to a fine (ammenda) of five liri (Lm5) for each day that the contravention continues.

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