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**LOCAL COUNCILS ACT, 1993
(ACT NO. XV OF 1993)**

**Advertisements on the Internet and Internet Subscription
(Xaghra Local Council) Bye-Laws, 2000**

IN exercise of the powers conferred by sections 33 (1) (h), 34 and 60 of the Local Councils Act, 1993 and in conformity with the provisions of subsection (8) of section 35 of this Act, the Xaghra Local Council has made the following Bye-Laws:-

1.1 These Bye-Laws may be cited as the Advertisements on the Internet and Internet Subscription (Xaghra Local Council) Bye-Laws, 2000. Citation and commencement.

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

2.1 In these Bye-Laws unless the context otherwise requires:- Interpretation.

“Act” means the Local Councils Act, 1993;

“advertisement” includes any commercial or non-commercial promotion;

“Council” means the Xaghra Local Council;

“person” means the person who has been authorised by the Council to link with the Council’s Web-page under the provisions of subsection (2) of section 3 of these Bye-Laws;

“Web-page” means access to information and database via the Internet, known as the World Wide Web (WWW), which Web-page may be advertised on the so-called Web Search Engines.

2.2 In these Bye-Laws, any expression which is defined in the Act shall have the same meaning as is assigned to it in the Act.

3.1 The Council shall have a Web-page on the Internet which shall include all information on the Council and the locality which the Council may choose to include. Official Council Web-page.

3.2 There shall be one official Web-page dedicated exclusively to the Xaghra Local Council:

Provided that the Council may authorise any person to include or link such Web-page on or to another Web-page, either at a charge or at no charge, as the Council may decide.

Authorisation in writing.

3.3 The authorisation referred to in subsection 2 of this section shall be provided in writing by the Council.

Penalties.

3.4 Every person who is found guilty of having breached any provision of subsections (2) and (3) of this section shall be liable to a fine (*ammenda*) of twenty Maltese Liri (Lm20) together with one Maltese Lira (LM1) for every day during which the Council's Web-page is accessible on the offender's Web-page without the written authorisation.

Authorisation for advertising on the Council's Web-page.

4.1 The Council may contract, in accordance with the regulations and procedures applicable according to this Act, with commercial and non-commercial entities to advertise the Council's Web-page at a charge.

4.2 The contract mentioned in subsection (1) of this section is valid for a period of one year which may be renewed for a further period of one year. The Council reserves the right to renew such contract, and if such renewal is refused, it shall give in writing the reasons for its refusal to any person concerned.

Subscription rates.

5. The Council is introducing a scheme of Internet membership at the rate of Lm5 per year and provision of service at the rate of twenty cents for every fifteen minute period. Non-members will be charged at the rate of forty cents for every fifteen minute period.