



Hal Balzan Local Council

Annual Budget

2011

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1.0 Overview and Summary

Introduction

With the launching of the Local Council's reform we see that the central government changed the financial year for local council so that we now start our financial year on the 1st January. The budget for last year shown here covers 12 months between 1st January and 31st December.

The Central Government intends to hand over more responsibilities to local councils and the launching of schemes to better finance councils' operations. The Budget allocation for the current year has decreased by €1000 over last years' allocation.

We would like to note that the actual waste we are generating from the locality is 65% more than the statistics provided to us by the National Statistics Office. This means that the Council will have to find funds to the amount of €16,000 to cover this amount of tipping fees which the Central Government is not funding.

Fuel costs over and above the quoted price in the newly allocated domestic refuse and green waste collection contract will have to be paid to the contractor ever time there is a rise in these costs.

We currently have two part-time clerks but if pressure of work increases we will have to allocate more funds to meet needs. The central government launched a scheme whereby the ETC supplied us with a person who has been helping out with maintenance at the office. His salary is paid by ETC under this scheme and I must say the office is very much better maintained. This scheme is intended to help local councils financially whilst helping those registering for work to find employment. We hope this scheme is extended indefinitely as the services being provided are of great support to the running of our office.

There are several other central government scheme in the pipeline intended to help councils and we hope to be able to apply under these scheme to receive funding. We have been given some funds to restore the statue of St. Mary last year but we have still not carried out the work as the funds allocated do not cover the much higher quotations we received since. We have issued the third call for quotations at the time of writing and we hope to be able to do the work this year. Last year funds were allocated for the installation of a gazebo in the playing field and this has been placed. We were also allocated funds for aerobic classes and these were carried out but we didn't have as many applicants as we wished and instead of doing 4 courses we only organized. We were also allocated funds to organize an activity "Jiem il-Gonna" during 2011 after funds were also allocated during 2010 when we organized the first "Jiem il-Gonna". Last year we submitted an application for funding so as to upgrade church square through the ERDF and we hope to receive a positive reply this year.

We will also be looking into possible EU funding with the help of MEUSAC and also applying for more funding under the MEPA Urban Improvement Funds a scheme.

The Wesgħa Prof. Guze' Aquilina project is on hold at the moment because of lthe court case initiated by the Good Shepherd Convent against the Central Government after the road was passed without the land being expropriated way back in the 1970's. We hope a decision is taken without further delay so that this project is started as soon as possible.

Unfortunately the financial allocation doesn't permit the council to launch any major projects but we will do utmost to put our case forward for the resurfacing of certain street that are in bad need of repair. We did try last year, unfortunately we were not successful. The hard earned experience with regards to the resurfacing of part of Qarcilla Street and part of Patri Guze Delia Street where we had to replace the road base will not repeated. Streets who's road base we suspect is made up of soil will not be reconstructed by the council but we will insist that these roads are done by the central government. We have already started the ball rolling by giving a list of suspected street to the central government and we intend to follow up on it until desired results are achieved.

We will do our utmost to make the most of available funds to improve services for the benefit of residents and visitors to the locality.

Dr. J. Zammit Montebello
Mayor

Maria Zammit
Executive Secretary

2.0 Estimates for Income and Expenditure**2.1 Consolidated Estimates of Income and Expenditure**

ACCT NO.	DESCRIPTION	BUDGET 2010 €	BUDGET 2011 €	VAR BUD-BUD €
2	Income			
0000	Government	268,851.30	294,206.44	25,355.14
0020	Bye-laws	500.00	500.00	
0090	Investment	0.00	0.00	
0100	General	3,830.00	3,930.00	100.00
	TOTAL	273,181.30	298,636.44	25,455.14
1	Expenditure			
1000	Personal emoluments	55,640.51	59,393.18	3,752.67
2000	Operations and maintenance	230,777.94	171,869.85	(58,908.09)
7000	Capital Expenditure	23,460.30	87,445.20	63,984.90
	TOTAL	309,878.75	318,708.23	8,829.48
	Balance	(36,697.45)	(20,071.79)	16,625.66

Note:

*Estimates of Income and Expenditure (cont.)***2.2 Detailed Estimates of Income**

ACCT NO.	DESCRIPTION	a	c	c-a
		BUDGET 2010 €	BUDGET 2011 €	VAR BUD-BUD €
2	Income			
0000	Government			
0001	Annual	245,891.00	244,888.00	(1,003.00)
0002	Supplementary			
0003	Special needs			
0004	Public/government delegations	22,960.30	49,318.44	26,358.14
0015	Other			
		268,851.30	294,206.44	25,355.14
0020	Bye-Laws			
0021	Community Services			
0036	Contravention of bye-laws			
0056	Sponsorships			
0066	General	500.00	500.00	
		500.00	500.00	0.00
0090	Investment			
0091	Bank interest			
0096	Government securities			
		0.00	0.00	0.00
0100	General			
0110	Donations	250.00	350.00	100.00
0120	Contributions	3,580.00	3,580.00	
		3,830.00	3,930.00	100.00
TOTAL		273,181.30	298,636.44	25,455.14

Note:

*Estimates of Income and Expenditure (cont.)***2.3 Detailed Estimates of Expenditure**

ACCT NO.	DESCRIPTION	a	c	a-c
		BUDGET	BUDGET	VAR
		2010 €	2011 €	BUD-BUD €
1	Expenditure			
1000	Personal Emoluments			
1100	Mayor's allowance	6,364.00	8,923.83	2,559.83
1200	Employee salaries and wages	36,149.81	37,022.81	873.00
1300	Bonuses	540.41	540.40	(0.01)
1400	Income supplements	242.26	3,069.46	2,827.20
1500	Social Security contributions	3,209.15	3,436.68	227.53
1600	Allowances	9,134.88	6,400.00	(2,734.88)
1700	Overtime			
		55,640.51	59,393.18	3,752.67
2000	Operations and maintenance			
2100	Utilities	7,560.00	8,526.00	966.00
2200	Materials and supplies	2,400.00	4,400.00	2,000.00
2300	Repair and upkeep	45,486.98	32,855.29	(12,631.69)
2400	Rent	1,488.00	1,488.00	
2500	National / International memberships	900.00	900.00	
2600	Office services	2,350.00	2,100.00	(250.00)
2700	Transport	0.00	100.00	100.00
2800	Travel	0.00		
2900	Information services	1,800.00	1,400.00	(400.00)
3000	Contractual services	158,605.02	107,525.52	(51,079.50)
3100	Professional services	5,667.94	6,255.04	587.10
3200	Training	0.00		
3300	Community and hospitality	4,270.00	6,070.00	1,800.00
3400	Incidental expenses	250.00	250.00	
		230,777.94	171,869.85	(58,908.09)
7000	Capital Expenditure			
7001	Acquisition of property			
7100	Construction		84,945.20	84,945.20
7200	Improvements	500.00	2,500.00	2,000.00
7300	Equipment	0.00		
7500	Special programmes	22,960.30		(22,960.30)
		23,460.30	87,445.20	63,984.90
TOTAL		309,878.75	318,708.23	8,829.48

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3.0 Capital Expenditure Estimates**3.0 Capital Expenditure Estimates**

Acct. No. Project No.	Capital Expenditure Project Description	2010 CARRY OVER		2011		2011
		ACCNT €	PROJECT €	ACCNT €	PROJECT €	ACCNT TOTAL €
7001	Acquisition of property					
7100	Construction Resurfacing Dr. Zammit Str Resurfacing part of Three Churches Street			25,626.76	21,359.95 4,266.81	25,626.76
7200	Improvements Office Shelving Restoration of the statue of St. Mary Wireless CCTV camera Renovishment of Garage in Mons. F. X. Zahra Street upon devolution			12,500.00	500.00 1,500.00 500.00 10,000.00	12,500.00
7300	Equipment					
7500	Special programmes Church Square area (UIF)			49,318.44	49,318.44	49,318.44
		0.00		87,445.20		87,445.20

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4.0 Cash Budget

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ACCNT No.	DESCRIPTION	QTR 4	QTR 1	QTR 2	QTR 3	TOTAL 2011 €
		JAN-MAR 2011 €	APR-JUN 2011 €	JUL-SEP 2011 €	OCT-DEC 2011 €	
2	Income					
0000	Government					
0001	Annual	61222.00	61,222.00	61,222.00	61,222.00	244,888.00
0002	Supplementary	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
0003	Special needs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
0004	Public/government delegations	0.00	0.00	49,318.44	0.00	49,318.44
0015	Other	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
0020	Bye-Laws					
0021	Community services	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
0036	Contravention of bye-laws	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
0056	Sponsorships	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
0066	General services	125.00	125.00	125.00	125.00	500.00
0090	Investment					
0091	Bank interest	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
0096	Government securities	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
0100	General					
0110	Donations	87.50	87.50	87.50	87.50	350.00
0120	Contributions	895.00	895.00	895.00	895.00	3,580.00
	TOTAL	62,329.50	62,329.50	111,647.94	62,329.50	298,636.44
1	Expenditure					
1000	Personal Emoluments					
1100	Mayor's Allowance	2,230.96	2,230.96	2,230.96	2,230.96	8,923.84
1200	Employee salaries and wages	9,255.70	9,255.70	9,255.70	9,255.70	37,022.80
1300	Bonuses	135.10	135.10	135.10	135.10	540.40
1400	Income supplements	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,069.46	3,069.46
1500	Social Security contributions	859.17	859.17	859.17	859.17	3,436.68
1600	Allowances		3,200.00	0.00	3,200.00	6,400.00
1700	Overtime	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2000	Operations and maintenance					
2100	Utilities	2,131.50	2,131.50	2,131.50	2,131.50	8,526.00
2200	Materials and supplies	1,100.00	1,100.00	1,100.00	1,100.00	4,400.00
2300	Repair and upkeep	8,213.82	8,213.82	8,213.82	8,213.82	32,855.28
2400	Rent	372.00	372.00	372.00	372.00	1,488.00
2500	National/International memberships	225.00	225.00	225.00	225.00	900.00
2600	Office Services	525.00	525.00	525.00	525.00	2,100.00
2700	Transport	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	100.00
2800	Travel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2900	Information services	350.00	350.00	350.00	350.00	1,400.00
3000	Contractual services	26,881.38	26,881.38	26,881.38	26,881.38	107,525.52
3100	Professional services	1,563.76	1,563.76	1,563.76	1,563.76	6,255.04
3300	Community and hospitality	1,517.50	1,517.50	1,517.50	1,517.50	6,070.00
3400	Incidental expenses	62.50	62.50	62.50	62.50	250.00
7000	Capital Expenditure					
7001	Acquisition of property	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
7100	Construction	10,000.00	4,266.81	21,359.95	49,318.44	84,945.20
7200	Improvements to property	500.00	1,000.00	500.00	500.00	2,500.00
7300	Equipment	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
7500	Special programmes	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	TOTAL	65,948.39	63,915.20	77,308.34	111,536.29	318,708.22
	SURPLUS/DEFICIT	(3,618.89)	(1,585.70)	34,339.60	(49,206.79)	(20,071.78)
	BROUGHT FORWARD	136,049.00	132,430.11	130,844.41	165,184.01	136,049.00
	CARRY FORWARD	132,430.11	130,844.41	165,184.01	115,977.22	115,977.22

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