Living in Valletta: the liveability of a historic city

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Valletta, 9 April 2016
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today

Valletta is under siege.... again!
Is Valletta’s liveability at risk?
DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH

developed by Dahlgren and Whitehead, adapted by Barton & Grant to include built environment

http://healthimpactassessment.blogspot.com: Health Impacts of the Built Environment
Some ingredients of liveability...

Shorelines
Soundscapes
Viewscapes
Social fabric & affordable housing
Shorelines
A longstanding problem over a shortage of tourist coaches needs to be tackled with urgency as the number of cruise liner passengers visiting Malta increases, a leading tour operator says.

Msida approved the extension yesterday and work will be carried out during winter.

The quay will extend to 500 metres and a ramp, originally built for cargo ships, will be removed.
Azzjoni Nazzjonali yesterday criticised the Government’s projects for the Marsamxett Harbour, saying that a number of proposals did not make sense.
“Turning to the Marsamxett breakwater project, Dr Muscat said that it would create possibilities for the creation of berths, which could attract more yachts to Malta. He said that it could also help increase property value in the surrounding area.”

Malta Independent, 18 Dec 2014
Soundscapes
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From case officer report for an application for Class 4D restaurant not far from here...

“c) While the Local Plan does indeed encourage people to live in residential areas, it is not suggested that this be at the expense of allowing catering establishment in residential zones”

“f) The parking issues present in Valletta transcend the opening of a single restaurant and it is unlikely that visitors will seek a parking space right in front of the restaurant. A restaurant opened in the Primary Town Centre... is as likely to have the same impact...

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Plog’s (1967) psychographic model, Butler’s (1980) destination life cycle
Viewscapes
Public Consultation ?
Social Fabric: Affordable housing
More robust governance is needed to safeguard these aspects of liveability in Valletta

- Shorelines
- Soundscape
- Viewscape
- Social Fabric & Affordable Housing

*Valletta is not just real estate, but is made up of people*
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