



Wirt Ghawdex

Press Release



National Monuments should remain under the responsibility of Central Government

Gozo's Heritage Society Wirt Ghawdex is airing its concern about a public consultation launched by Victoria Local Council whose proposals include the responsibility for the Cittadella passing under the responsibility of the Local Council.

Wirt Ghawdex strongly believes that national monuments should remain under the responsibility of central Government. The Cittadella is in Victoria but belongs to the whole nation just as the Ggantija does not belong only to Xaghra or the Hypogeum only to Paola.

Local authorities do not have the necessary funding and expertise required for the restoration, presentation and management of such monuments and being national monuments should remain above local interests.

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Monumenti Nazzjonali ghandhom jibqghu taht ir-responsabbilta' tal-Gvern ċentrali

L-Ghaqda Wirt Ghawdex qed turi t-thassib taghha għall-proċess ta' konsultazzjoni mniedi mill-Kunsill Lokali tal-Belt Victoria li fost l-oħrajn qed jipproponi li ċ-Ċittadella tghaddi taht ir-responsabbilta' tal-Kunsill Lokali.

L-ghaqda Wirt Ghawdex temmen bis-shih li monumenti nazzjonali ghandhom jibqghu taht ir-responsabbilta' tal-Gvern ċentrali. Iċ-Ċittadella tinsab fil-Belt Victoria izda tappartjieni lin-nazzjon kollu daqs kemm il-Ġgantija ma tappartjenix biss lix-Xaghra jew l-*Ipogew* lir-Raħal il-Ġdid biss.

Il-Kunsilli Lokali m'għandhomx il-fondi u l-esperti mehtiega għar-restawr, prezentazzjoni u immaniġġjar ta' monumenti bħal dawn. Monumenti nazzjonali ghandhom jibqghu 'l fuq mill-interessi lokali.