GreenMove

Transforming Rural Mobility for a Sustainable Future

Meeting 2 Hosted by Siġġiewi Local Council, Malta

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Introduction

- GreenMove grant and goals
- Siġġiewi's commitment to sustainability
- Alignment with EU and national strategies





Key Initiatives in Siġġiewi



Road
 Simulation
 Educational Park



2. Cycling Infrastructure



3. Heritage Trail





Road Simulation Educational Park – Siġġiewi Family Park

- Purpose: Road safety education and active mobility
- Features: Miniature roads, signage, traffic lights
- Impact: Better road safety awareness and reduced traffic





Road Simulation Educational Park – Siġġiewi Family Park









Cycling Infrastructure in San Niklaw

- Improvements: Cycle lanes, surface upgrades, traffic calming
- Impact: Increased cycling, reduced car use
- Next steps: Bike-sharing and e-bike

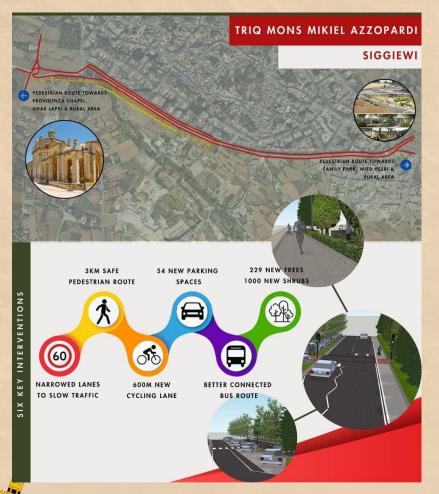
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EkoSkola Heritage Trail with QR Codes

- Digital walking trail linking heritage and mobility
- QR codes with historical/environmental facts
- Benefits: Active travel, youth engagement, tourism boost







EkoSkola Heritage Trail with QR Codes



STOP 1 Parish Church

The Siġġiewi Parish Church is dedicated to St Nicholas of Bari and is a replacement of the original parish church located in another part of the village. The feast of St. Nicholas is celebrated every June and the liturgical feast is celebrated on December 6th.



STOP 2

Old Streets Area

In the village core a number of houses have been restored to their formal glory keeping traditional features of Maltese houses. The streets adorned with niches dating back to the 17th century are also host to the armoury which housed the Master of Arms and served as a place for storage of weapons.



STOP 3

Band Clubs

The two Band clubs are part and parcel of the social and cultural heritage of the village with the teaching of music but also through their involvement in so many social, cultural and religious activities throughout the year.



stop (1) **Ghar Lapsi**

Għar Lapsi is a small rocky inlet yet one of the most unmissable spots in Siġġiewi. It boasts a natural cave and green-blue waters from where one can admire the islet of Filfla.

Over the Summer months locals and tourists alike flock to the rocky beach to enjoy the crystal-clear sea.



STOP 5

Fawwara

The Fawwara area is a perfect excuse to explore the Maltese countryside. As you walk be ready to be met by farmers working their fields, blooming fields, rural passages, people trekking, little chapels and breath-taking views that stretch up to the coast.



STOP 6

Verdala Palace

Verdala Palace serves as the official summer residence of the President of Malta. The Palace was built in 1586 by Grand Master Hugues Loubenx de Verdalle to serve as a countryside retreat and thus the name



STOP 7

RMJ

RMJ Horse Rescue was established in 2016 caring for horses which needed to be rescued or rehabilitated and then finding them a home. The majority of horses are ex-racehorses that have finished their career. RMJ Horse Rescue is run entirely by





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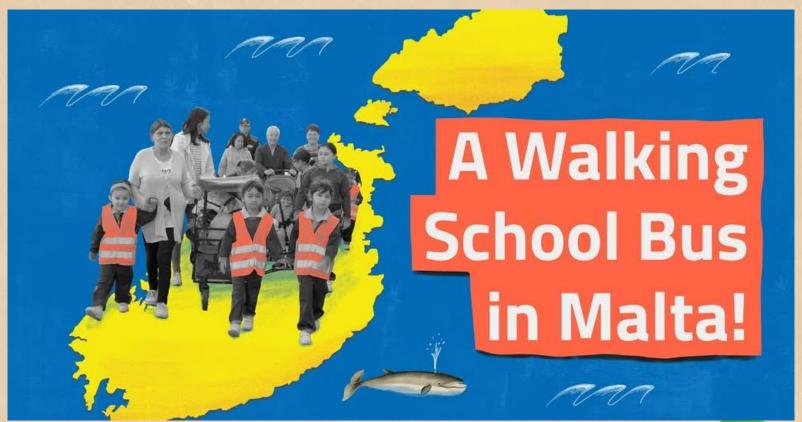
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Case Study: Walk to School Bus









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Challenge: Traffic and lack of active travel



Solution: Community-led walk-to-school groups



Impact: Reduced car use, healthier kids, community spirit





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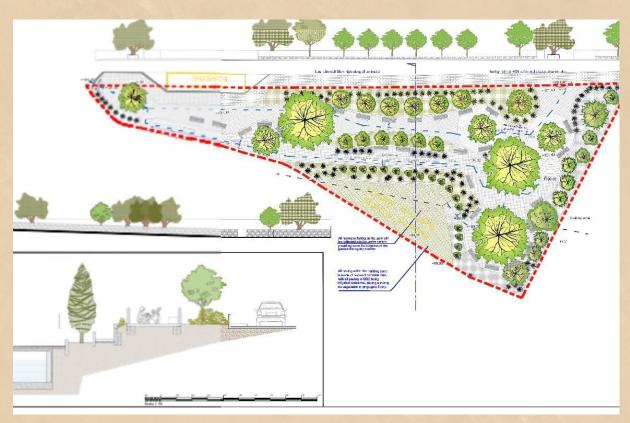
Collaboration Strategies

- Early stakeholder engagement
- Co-design with residents
- Public-private partnerships
- Consistent communication and transparent governance





Reading Garden







Charging pillars







Promoting Democratic Dialogue & European Identity

- Inclusive consultations and youth councils
- Events: Clean Mobility Week, heritage walks
- Local action as part of European Green Deal





Capacity Building & Future Training

- Youth-focused programs, eco-workshops
- Hands-on learning and co-creation
- Empowering women and marginalised groups











Conclusion & Vision

- Siġġiewi as a model for rural sustainability
- Key message: Collaboration and education drive change
- Commitment to expand efforts





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