

# GREEN PROPOSALS

## CONSULTATIVE DOCUMENT

### INTRODUCTION

The aim of these proposals is to have a more environmentally conscious Gudja, both as a space and its residents. Residents and people who have business interests or other interests in Gudja, Organisations and the Local Council should all work together in order to achieve these proposals.

### PART2: TRANSPORT

- 2.1. Green transport should be encouraged and made easier. Many youth and the elderly use bicycles and other means of non-polluting transport while going around the village. This should be commended and facilities for their use such as bike racks, should be put in place. Bike racks should be installed near the main garden, the Ta' Xlejli garden, the garden near the football pitch and the small open space in Triq Birżebbugia and in the Housing Estate with the possibility of other areas.
- 2.2. Listening to the experts is crucial. The Local Council should work with cycling NGOs and with Government entities to promote safe cycling. This could include the distribution of safety equipment, short talks on laws related to cycling and brief courses on cycling.
- 2.3. The local council should have basic bicycle repair tools which can be borrowed by residents, making cycling more accessible to everyone especially economically-vulnerable people and increasing a sense of community. The tools can form part of a tool library.
- 2.4. Gudja is a small village and buses that start from Gudja should not be too late or early because this could deter people from making use of public

transport and increasing traffic. The Local Council should facilitate complaints by residents by having a complaint mechanism in place and compile complaints. Compilation of such data, and rendering it public, would help in talks with bus operators and should be passed on to Transport Malta.

