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TOWN COUNCILS ACT (CHAPTER 329A)

TOWN COUNCILS (DISBURSEMENT OF MONEYS FROM SINKING FUND) FINANCIAL (AMENDMENT) RULES 2021

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 43 of the Town Councils Act, the Minister for National Development makes the following Rules:

Citation and commencement

1. These Rules are the Town Councils (Disbursement of Moneys from Sinking Fund) Financial (Amendment) Rules 2021 and come into operation on 1 January 2022.

Amendment of rule 4

- **2.** Rule 4 of the Town Councils (Disbursement of Moneys from Sinking Fund) Financial Rules 2020 (G.N. No. S 115/2020) is amended
 - (a) by inserting, immediately after paragraph (c), the following paragraph:
 - "(ca) the inspection, as required under the Building Control Act 1989, of the façade of any building managed and maintained by the Town Council to identify
 - (i) any part of the façade that may be subject to excessive erosion, corrosion, wear, fatigue, stress or strain; or

- (ii) any other situation or circumstance, that may give rise to a probability of the occurrence or potential occurrence of the collapse (wholly or partly) of the façade and death or injury to individuals, or damage to other property, within or outside the building;"; and
- (b) by renumbering the rule as paragraph (1) of that rule, and by inserting immediately thereafter the following paragraph:
 - "(2) To avoid doubt, a Town Council may disburse moneys from any of its ordinary sinking funds pursuant to section 33(6)(a)(iii) of the Act to meet expenses or liabilities properly attributable to that sinking fund in respect of
 - (a) the replacement of any escalator installed in any residential or commercial property in the housing estates of the Board within the Town which the Town Council manages and maintains; or
 - (b) the replacement of any chain roller, handrail, handrail roller, step chain or step roller of any escalator mentioned in sub-paragraph (a).".

Made on 29 November 2021.

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