

## PRESS RELEASE

Lagos, 5th April 2021

### **Leading citizens of Lagos appeal to Mayor to save the Ponta de Piedade cliffs from private interests**

Hundreds of citizens including lawyers, business executives, celebrities — like singer Dino D’Santiago — and expats support a growing grassroots action calling for Lagos City Council to stop private development of the area and hold a public consultation.

At 11am on Thursday, 8 April, Silva will deliver a letter to Lagos City Hall signed by over 300 leading citizens of the town. The signatories include <sup>[1]</sup> lawyers, business executives, investors, teachers and university professors, dentists, psychologists, sociologists, architects, researchers, environmental engineers, agronomists, retired members of the City Council, as well as celebrities like singer Dino D’Santiago, who says: “An Algarve for all of us deserves the conservation of our natural wealth”.

#### **Three demands:**

From the outset, Jonathan’s campaign to save the cliffs of Ponta de Piedade has three simple demands:

- Safe access to the cliffs by removing the fences
- Withdrawal of any current development plans for the cliffs, or construction permits
- A public consultation so the community can decide with the municipality what should happen with the area. The community should have the right to vote for different project proposals as to how the area could best be used or developed

- **WHEN:** 8th April 2021, 11am
- **WHERE:** Lagos City Hall
- **WHO:** Jonathan Silva, local Activist and Member of DiEM25

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