

Proposed Amendments to the Record of Protected Structures as outlined in Section 55 of the Planning and Development Act 2000

Introduction

Kilkenny City and County has a rich built heritage and contains a considerable amount of structures which are worthy of protection by their inclusion in the Local Authority's Record of Protected Structures. These structures are important for a variety of reasons, namely as being of special architectural, historical, archaeological, artistic, cultural, scientific, social or technical interest with their design, materials and form often providing an insight into the past.

Under the Planning and Development Act 2000 (Amend.), it is mandatory for each Local Authority to include in their Development Plan objectives for the:

“the protection of structures, or parts of structures, which are of special architectural, historical, archaeological, artistic, cultural, scientific, social or technical interest”

Also Section 53 of the Planning and Development Act states that the Minister may make recommendations to the Planning Authority concerning the inclusion in its Record of Protected Structures of any or all of the following:

“Particular structures, specific parts of particular structures or specific features within the attendant grounds of particular structures”

Process

The process for reviewing the Record of Protected Structures began in January 2017, and involved a holistic approach, including assessment of structure typology, geographical locations, current condition, endangerment, planning history, ownership, and their presence on the National Inventory of Architectural Heritage. To ensure the process is as inclusive as possible, owners of the structures were contacted to inform them of the responsibilities and supports that are involved with inclusion in the Record of Protected Structures.

The National Inventory of Architectural Heritage for Kilkenny was published in 2006, and contains over 2000 structures in Kilkenny City and County which are recognised as being of special interest. The Inventory is divided into a number of Ratings, based on their importance; International, National, Regional, Local. All structures with a Regional rating or higher are recommended for inclusion in a local Authority's Record of Protected Structures. Of the 26 proposed additions, all but 2 are included in the National Inventory of Architectural Heritage.

The formal process for proposed amendments to the Record of Protected Structures began in October 2017 and consisted of

- Formal notification of proposed additions and deletion to the owners and prescribed bodies, while ensuring the proposals were on public display
- A 6 week period allowing owners, prescribed bodies and members of the public to submit their support, objections or concerns

- A 12 week assessment period started on the 1st December 2017. This period allowed for an assessment of all submissions, and decisions by the elected members of Kilkenny County Council. This 12 weeks period finishes on the 23rd February 2018
- Formal notification of decision to be owners must follow within 2 weeks

The prescribed bodies are as follows; Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht, An Taisce, Heritage Council, Arts Council, and the Failte Ireland.

Proposed Amendments

Initially 27 structures additions were proposed to be added to the Record of Protected Structures, however following assessment of all submissions, it was recommended not to add one structure, ADD-17-17, and therefore 26 structures are proposed for addition.

It is also proposed to delete one structure from the Record of Protected Structures: Perle's shop, Gowran C120. This building was identified for deletion as part of the Local Area Plan for Gowran in 2010 as it was considered to not be within any category of special interest. The building was inspected and I support the recommendation to remove from the Record of Protected Structures.

The submission period concluded with 11 submissions from owners; 3 in favour of inclusion, and 8 objections to inclusion in the Record of Protected Structures (two objections were for one proposed addition).

Please find attached all proposed additions and deletion to the Record of Protected Structures in table format outlined as follows

- Addition Number – all proposals are given a unique identification number
- Image of Structure
- Description – A brief description of the structure and the special interest attributed to it
- Address of the Structure
- National Inventory of Architectural Heritage Reference Number
- Summary of Submission
- Recommendations

There are number of supports available for owners and occupiers of protected structures, they re as follows

- Advisory Service from Conservation Officer, Kilkenny County Council
- Conservation Grants (Structures at Risk Fund and the Built Heritage Investment Scheme) administrated by the Conservation Office
- Thatch Conservation Grant Scheme administered by the Heritage Council
- Traditional Farm Buildings Grant administered by the Heritage Council
- Thatching Grant administered by the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government
- Irish Georgian Society Conservation Grants administered by the Irish Georgian Society
- Tax Relief Scheme S482 which is dealt with the Office of the Revenue Commissioners.

In conclusion, I recommend the addition of 26 structures and the deletion of 1 structure to the Record of Protected Structures

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Francis Coady

Architectural Conservation Officer

I agreed with the above recommendations

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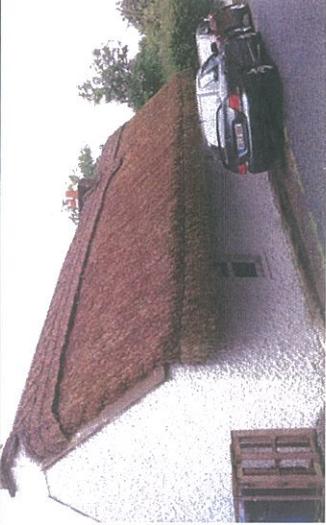
Denis Malone,

Senior Planner

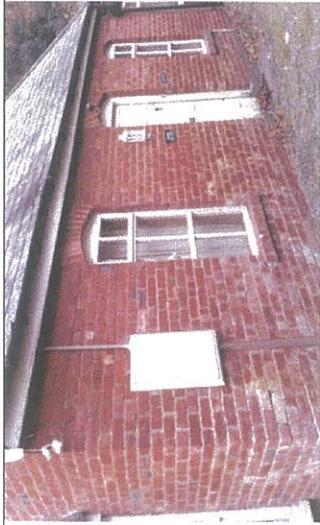
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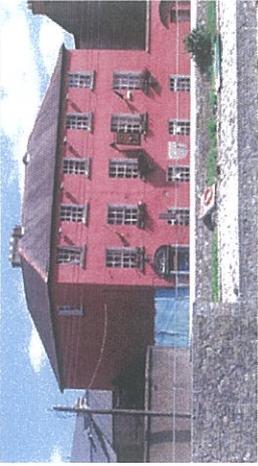
Addition numbers	Image of Structure	Description	Address of structures	NIAH Ref:	Summary of Submission	Recommendations
ADD17-01		<p>19th century cut stone limestone piers and original iron gate with ornate finials. Originally part of the Kilkenny City jail</p> <p>Interest: ARCHITECTURAL ARTISTIC</p>	<p>Kickham Street, Kilkenny, (Folio KK10713F - Plan Number 84)</p>	<p>12005029</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>Add as proposed</p> <p>All development will be assessed in accordance with current policy: inclusion in the Record of Protected Structures allows for appropriate development</p> <p>Add as proposed</p> <p>Note; the owner has applied for a Conservation Grant</p>
ADD17-02		<p>Early 19th century Town House containing classical proportions, doorway, parapet. Internal form has been maintained.</p> <p>Interest: ARCHITECTURAL</p>	<p>Quay House, 4 John's Quay, Kilkenny R95 ED8P</p>	<p>12000261</p>	<p>Objection submission – Owner stated there is little of the original interior remains, may inhibit development of the site to the rear, with a fracture to the rear wall</p>	<p>All development will be assessed in accordance with current policy: inclusion in the Record of Protected Structures allows for appropriate development</p> <p>Add as proposed</p> <p>Note; the owner has applied for a Conservation Grant</p>

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ADD17-03		<p>20th century former convent with half octagonal windows, pilasters, frieze, cornice, - classical forms. Imposing landmark building in the centre of village</p> <p>Interest: ARCHITECTURAL SOCIAL</p>	<p>Brigideen Convent, Paulstown, Co. Kilkenny, R95 A8P7</p>	<p>12306008</p>	<p>Objection submission - <i>the building is not old enough, addition of the property as guest house, reduce speed of future work</i></p>	<p>Add as proposed</p> <p>Note; the owner has applied for a Conservation Grant</p>
ADD17-04		<p>Late 19th century school house, with six over six windows present. Different from later double gabled front facade school designs.</p> <p>Interest: ARCHITECTURAL HISTORICAL SOCIAL</p>	<p>Old School House, Smithstown, Castletomer, Co. Kilkenny R95 N29V</p>	<p>12400613</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>Add as proposed</p>
ADD17-05		<p>Late 19th century house. Contemporary with adjacent school – house provided for teacher. The two buildings are representative of early educational architecture.</p> <p>Interest: ARCHITECTURAL</p>	<p>Old School Master's House, Smithstown, Castletomer, Co. Kilkenny R95 RF8V</p>	<p>12400616</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>Add as proposed</p>

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ADD17-06		<p>19th century thatched cottage, containing Shopfront sign and consoles. Positive impression on the local landscape. Interest: ARCHITECTURAL SOCIAL</p>	<p>The Thatch, Baunafea, Castlewarten, Co. Kilkenny R95 A3W8</p>	<p>12401501</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>Add as proposed</p>
ADD17-07		<p>19th century prominent building, containing timber sash windows, fanlight, well proportioned façade with farm complex to the rear. Interest: ARCHITECTURAL</p>	<p>Kilkenny Street, Freshford, Co. Kilkenny R95 V2F5</p>	<p>12305017</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>Add as proposed</p>
ADD17-08		<p>18th century thatched cottage of local material of mud, thatch, and stone, providing a positive impression in the landscape. Interest: ARCHITECTURAL SOCIAL</p>	<p>Whitehouse, Co. Kilkenny R95 W8W9</p>	<p>12402201</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>Add as proposed</p>

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ADD17-09		<p>19th century gate house of Kiltrush House on a L shaped plan with rough cast walls and casement windows</p> <p>Interest: ARCHITECTURAL</p>	Kiltrush House, Freshford, Co. Kilkenny	12401309	N/A	Add as proposed
ADD17-10		<p>19th century gateway, contemporary with gate lodge, with cut limestone piers and ornate finials on iron gates</p> <p>Interest: ARCHITECTURAL ARTISTIC</p>	Kiltrush House, Freshford, Co. Kilkenny	12401310	N/A	Add as proposed
ADD17-11		<p>Early 19th century house. Important classical forms of three bay constructions, with natural slate roof and red brick chimney. Outbuilding to the rear</p> <p>Interest: ARCHITECTURAL</p>	Main Street, Fiddown, Co. Kilkenny E32 KH42	12327002	Phone call - process explained, will not be submitting an objection	Add as proposed

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ADD17-12		<p>19th century water tank associated with pleasure gardens of Woodstock House. Storage tank for water from Mt Alto, before supplying ornamental fountain in designed garden of Woodstock.</p> <p>Interest: Technical (Engineering)</p>	Woodstock Gardens, Inistioge, Co. Kilkenny	Not on NIAH		Add as proposed
ADD17-13		<p>An attractive 20th century red brick cottage, its simple form and scale compliment the landholding and the streetscape, Constructed as part of philanthropic housing.</p> <p>Interest: Social</p>	Castlecomer Road, Kilkenny R95 P2N0	Not on NIAH	<p>Email of support</p> <p>Support the inclusion - <i>submission from Dermot O Shea stating no objection to the proposal but requesting limiting of the curtilage from the brick cottage to the site entrance gates</i></p>	Add as proposed

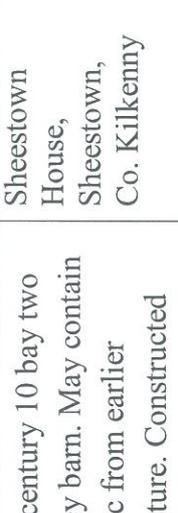
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ADD17-16		<p>Mid 18th century classically proportioned building – windows, door case, fanlight. Connected to the Home Rule Party.</p> <p>Interest: ARCHITECTURAL, HISTORICAL</p>	<p>The Home Rule Club, 3 John's Quay, Kilkenny, Co. Kilkenny</p>	12000224	<p>Meeting with Committee members of the Club to discuss the current and future use of the building. <i>No objection</i></p>	<p>Add as proposed</p>
ADD17-17		<p>Imposing Quay side mid 18th century building, originally used as a house. The high slender form of the building provides an important landmark in Kilkenny City</p> <p>Interest: ARCHITECTURAL</p>	<p>2 John's Quay, Kilkenny, Co. Kilkenny</p>	12000223	<p>Objection submission <i>Letter received from Ken and Brigid O Reilly stating much of the original fabric has been removed.</i> The building was subsequently inspected with the owner. During inspection it was acknowledged that much of the internal form and architectural detail of the building has been removed.</p>	<p>Do not add</p>

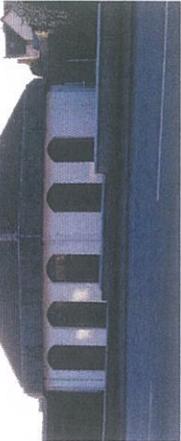
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ADD17-18		<p>19th century local limestone random rubble stone wall, providing an early example of flood defences in Kilkenny City. Provides a positive impression on Johns Quay streetscape.</p> <p>Interest: ARCHITECTURAL</p>	John's Quay, Kilkenny, Co. Kilkenny	12000262		Add as proposed
ADD17-19		<p>Late 20th century brick chimney providing an important industrial and social landmark of brick manufacture in north Kilkenny</p> <p>Interest: ARCHITECTURAL, SOCIAL</p>	Ormonde Brick, Ardra Castlecomer, Co. Kilkenny	12301063	<p>N/A</p> <p>Objection Submission inclusion may interfere with future production of the plant and it dates from the late 20th century</p>	Add as proposed

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ADD17-20		<p>Detached three-bay two-storey house dated to the 19th century, considered to incorporate fabric of earlier house. Its classical form and important porch detail make a positive impression in the surrounding landscape.</p> <p>Interest: ARCHITECTURAL</p>	<p>Smithstown House Smithstown Castlecomer, Co. Kilkenny R95 ER2X</p>	<p>12400503</p>	<p>Objection submission based on the following</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Was informed by third party grant funding not sufficient b) Energy efficiency c) Insurance costs 	<p>Add as proposed</p>
ADD17-21		<p>Small scale 19th century cottage containing original windows and scale, representing early town periphery dwelling.</p> <p>Interest: ARCHITECTURAL</p>	<p>The Mall, Thomastown, Co Kilkenny R95 R5D0</p>	<p>12317087</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>Add as proposed</p>

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ADD17-22		<p>Early 19th century Glebe House. Constructed for Church of Ireland clergy as part of building phase of the Board of the First Fruits building. Building has classical proportions and Wyatt window</p> <p>Interest: ARCHITECTURAL HISTORICAL SOCIAL</p>	<p>Dungarvan Glebe House, Dungarvan, Co. Kilkenny R95 YK33</p>	<p>12313008</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>Add as proposed</p>
ADD17-23		<p>19th century farmhouse with lateral wing to left, pitched slate roofs with clay ridge tiles, red brick running bond chimney stacks, and cast-iron rainwater goods on rendered eaves.</p> <p>Interest: ARCHITECTURAL</p>	<p>Farm House, McCarthy's Stud Farm, Dungarvan, Co. Kilkenny, R95 RD26</p>	<p>12313003</p>	<p>Objection submission - <i>Concerns around resale value of the building, and restrictions on development</i></p>	<p>Add as proposed</p>

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ADD17-24		<p>18th century gate house - connected to Belline House</p> <p>With fine ashlar stonework</p> <p>Known locally as Ink Bottle due to octagonal shape</p> <p>Interest: ARCHITECTURAL</p>	Townland of Belline and Rogerstown, Co. Kilkenny	12403820	N/A	Add as proposed
ADD17-25		<p>18th / 19th century 8 bay two storey dwelling, with central flat roofed porch and single storey annex of architectural importance.</p> <p>House of importance as may be noted by the inclusion of the gated entrance, tree lined avenue, walled garden, farm complex and the wider landscape.</p> <p>Interest: ARCHITECTURAL, SOCIAL</p>	Bramblestown House, Dungaravan, Co. Kilkenny R95 HR98	Not on NIAH	Objection submission - no funds available, objects to having to apply for consent to do work, house will change ownership in coming years	Add as proposed

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ADD17-26		<p>19th century house – possibly incorporating pre 1700 structure with timber sash windows, walled garden. Connected to the Shee family – Merchant family KK</p> <p>Interest: ARCHITECTURAL HISTORICAL SOCIAL</p>	<p>Sheestown House, Sheestown, Co. Kilkenny R95 P959</p>	12402414	N/A	Add as proposed
ADD17-27		<p>19th century 10 bay two storey barn. May contain fabric from earlier structure. Constructed with local materials</p> <p>Interest: ARCHITECTURAL</p>	<p>Sheestown House, Sheestown, Co. Kilkenny</p>	12402415	N/A	Add as proposed

Deletion numbers	Image of Structure	Description	Address of structures	NIAH Ref:	Summary of Submission	Recommendations
DEL17-01		<p>20th century Polygonal shaped structure. Recommended for removal from the RPS by 2010 Gowran LAP</p>	<p>Kilkenny Road, Gowran, Co. Kilkenny</p>	<p>Not on NIAH</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>Delete as proposed</p>