

**OFFALY COUNTY COUNCIL
DECLARATION UNDER SECTION 57 OF THE
PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT ACTS 2000, as amended**

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Works which would materially affect the character of the protected structure and, as a result, require planning permission

Note this is a Partial S57 Declaration relating to proposed works to upgrade electrical wiring.

1. Any other works related to the protected structure and its curtilage which are not part of this Declaration.

Works which would not materially affect the character of the protected structure and as a result would not require planning permission

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1. Removal for existing fuse box from hall (reinstating wall with lime plaster) and relocating it to proposed location within a cupboard in stud wall. This will significantly enhance the entrance hallway.
2. New ESB meter box to side elevation with underground connection. Reinstating front elevation with lime render after removal of current ESB connection. This will improve the entrance facade.
3. All other internal works as noted by the applicant in the S57 Application: All plug sockets will be surface mounted on the skirting boards, light switches will be replaced at the same height with new (old style) toggle switches. Chasing of wires through plaster will only happen where previous chasing had occurred, and will be refilled using lime plaster.
4. All works shall be designed to cause minimum intervention to existing fabric.
5. All works shall be carried out in accordance with Best Conservation Practice and the Department Guidelines for Architectural Heritage Protection.
6. Items of essential repair and routine maintenance in accordance with Department Conservation Guidelines including localised repairs.

Special Remarks

Former Planning Permission PL216071

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Declaration Declaration Type: **Partial Declaration** Plan Type: CDP 2021_2027
In accordance with Section 57 (2) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 Number: **DEC/23/002**
Planning Authority **NIAH 14943006**



This Declaration specifies what works would, or would not, in the opinion of the planning authority materially affect the character of the protected structure, or any element thereof, and, as a result, require planning permission. Under the Act, protection extends to the entire structure including its interior and the land lying within its curtilage. It also extends to any other structures lying within the curtilage of the protected structure, to their interiors and to all fixtures and features that form part of the interiors or exteriors of any of these structures. Where specified in the Record of Protected Structures, protection may also extend to any other feature within attendant grounds of the protected structure.

Nothing in this declaration exempts works that would nor otherwise be exempt from a requirement for planning permission. Changes of use or intensification of the current use may require planning permission. In doubt, the owner/occupier should consult the planning authority for further advice before commencing any works.

Applicant Name	Natalie Arnett	Status	Owner
Name of Building	Lowland House	Former Name	N/A
Townland	Fancroft	OS Map Type	
Address 2	Roscrea	Map Sheet	
Address 3		National Grid co-ord	
Date of Request	12-Jan-23 06-Apr-23	Date of Inspection	
Previous Declaration	08/008, 22/005	Date of Declaration	Thursday 19 January 2023
Protection Status	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Record of Monuments and Places	OF043-053 t
Record of Protected Structures	62-05	Archaeological Potential	N/A
Architectural Conservation Area	N/A	Preservation Order or Temp PO	N/A

NIAH Description of Structure

Detached three-bay two-storey house, built c.1820, with entrance porch added c.1880, and canted bay to south-west. Hipped slate roof with terracotta ridge tiles, rendered chimneystacks and cast-iron rainwater goods. Roughcast rendered walls with a limestone eaves course. Square-headed window openings with tooled limestone sills and timber sash windows. Some replacement timber casement window to rear and side elevations. Square-headed door opening to porch with stucco cornice. Ruined two-storey outbuildings to yard to north-east of house. Walled garden to north-east of house. House accessed through wrought-iron double gates supported by rendered piers and flanked by railings on a plinth wall.

Appraisal

The modest form of this house is enhanced by the retention of many original features. Of particular note are the tall six-over-six timber sash windows and lime render which contribute to the significance of the house and its character. The now ruined outbuildings to the enclosed yard once made a positive addition to the property. A large walled garden survives to the north-east of the house.

Composition:

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Roof:

Hipped slate roof with terracotta ridge tiles, rendered chimneystacks and cast-iron rainwater goods.

Walls:

Roughcast rendered walls with a limestone eaves course. Of particular note are the tall six-over-six timber sash windows and lime render which contribute to the significance of the house and its character

Openings:

Square-headed window openings with tooled limestone sills and timber sash windows. Some replacement timber casement window to rear and side elevations. Square-headed door opening to porch with stucco cornice. Of particular note are the tall six-over-six timber sash windows and lime render which contribute to the significance of the house and its character

Interior:

N/A

Furniture and Fittings:

N/A

Site:

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Mapping References:

1809: Bog Commissioners -

1829-1841 First Edition 6" OS - Gate lodge, entrance and main house shown with outbuildings walled gardens and wooded areas.

OSI Cassini showing joining of Lowland House to buildings to south, greater build-up of outbuildings to the east included U-shaped block, walled garden also highlighted.

OSI 25" Lowland House still connected to building to south, map shows further development of external outbuildings to the east.

OSI Current showing square block of Lowland House without the connecting element to the south, some remaining outbuildings to the east and new shed, ruined remains of U-shaped outbuildings.

Bing Maps, showing the current arrangement, Lowland House visible, with outbuildings and courtyard to the east, new agricultural shed to the east and walled garden to the north-east

1897-1913 Second Edition 25" OS -

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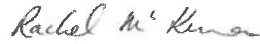
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Any further documentation attached

Inspector

Rachel Mc Kenna



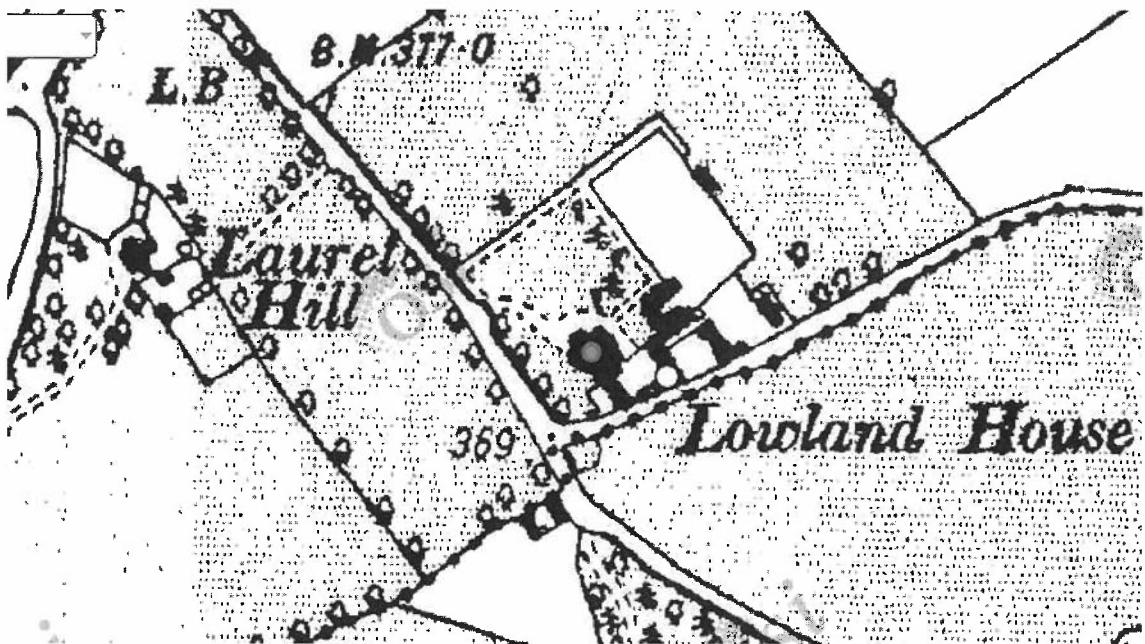
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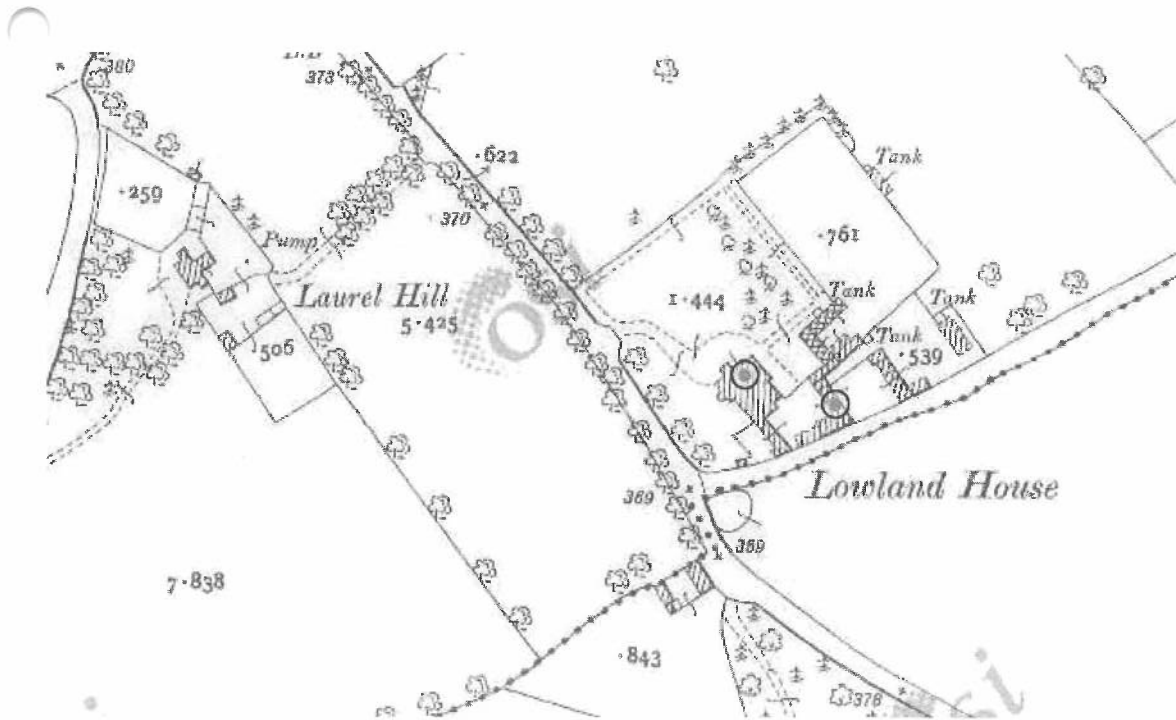
Mapping



OSI 6" L-shaped Lowland house with building to south, courtyard to east and L-shaped group of outbuildings with and inner courtyard



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Re-wiring house, moving ESB meter box and internal fuse box



Front elevation – note connections at first floor level (to be removed with underground works)



Side elevation as location for new external ESB meter box.

Existing internal arrangement with outdated fuse box in hallway, cables via front door and across plasterwork. To be updated and relocated with cupboard in stud wall.

