



The Secretary  
Offaly County Council  
Áras an Chontae  
Tullamore  
Co Offaly.

06<sup>th</sup> October 2020

**Re: Insurance and other Consequences for Protected Structure Status**

Dear Sir/Madam,

I refer to your letter of 11<sup>th</sup> July 2019 (Ref. No 32-03) concerning my home, located at the above address. I note your references to RPS status and now draw your attention to the above header, with particular reference to the following.

- The impact of the Protected Structure Status on my insurance premium. I attach a letter from my Brokers outlining the fact that the premium I was charged this year is €471.41 more than if the property was a non-listed house.

I did not invite P.S. status & it is an unnecessary burden that has been imposed on our home.

We, as a family have always been acutely aware of the historical & architectural significance of our home. We have always & will continue to preserve its unique features. We promptly, and with the greatest of integrity, attend to all maintenance & repairs as required. The property is currently in pristine condition, thanks to our unfailing watchfulness, and, more especially the financial sacrifices borne by us & this household in order to maintain its status quo. To this date we have not obtained, nor, have we been offered any financial assistance from the Heritage Council or your planning Section.

I note from your letter that you will be publicly inviting "submissions/observations" (early 2020) relating to protected structures. I, now, wish to pre-empt your proposed review of RPS and earnestly request that you fully subsidise me and remove my property from the listing. There must surely be some statutory provisions available to cater for a special case such as mine. I will very much appreciate if you would please give this matter your kind & supporting consideration & discuss my profound concerns with the Arts Officer/ Heritage Section etc.

Please let me have your early reply.

Yours sincerely,  
Tom Munn