



SOVRINTENDENZA
TAL-PATRIMONJU KULTURALI
SUPERINTENDENCE OF CULTURAL HERITAGE

National Inventory of the Cultural Property of the Maltese Islands

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Property Name	Chapel of Santa Marija tal-Hlas				
Address	Triq tal-Hlas				
Town Name	Hal Qormi	Toponym	Tal-Hlas	Local Council	Hal Qormi
Property Owner	Religious	Managing Body	St George Parish		
Guardianship Deed	-				

Period	Modern (16th to 20th Century AD)			
Phase	Early Modern: Knights of St John (1530-1798)			
Cultural Heritage Type & Value	Artistic Historical Social	Cultural Heritage Property Value Assessment	High	
Property Function	Religious	Conservation Area	-	

Outline Description	Chapel of Santa Marija tal-Hlas
Property Description	<p>Chapel of Santa Marija tal-Hlas (Madonna of the Delivery) built on the design of Lorenzo Gafa in 1690 replacing another one dating to 1560. In the earthquake of 1693, the building was severely damaged, and was later restored with the collaboration of the Zebbug and Qormi parishes. It was dedicated to the Madonna della Liberta, to whom there was a devotion as thanksgiving for freedom from the Ottoman slavery. It was also venerated by Maltese women who used to go to the church before or after giving birth. In the sacristy there are a number of ex-voto paintings. Paintings in the interior include works by Francesco Zahra dating to 1773. The covered parvis has a number of benches used for the rest of pilgrims. Opposite the chapel is a cemetery.</p>

Scheduled by MEPA	No	Degree of Protection	-	G.N. No.	-	G.N. Date	-
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Recommended Bibliography	Bianchi, C., Mizzi, P, 'Wayside Chapels: Tal-Hlas in Qormi', in <i>Heritage</i> No 57: 1129-1136.
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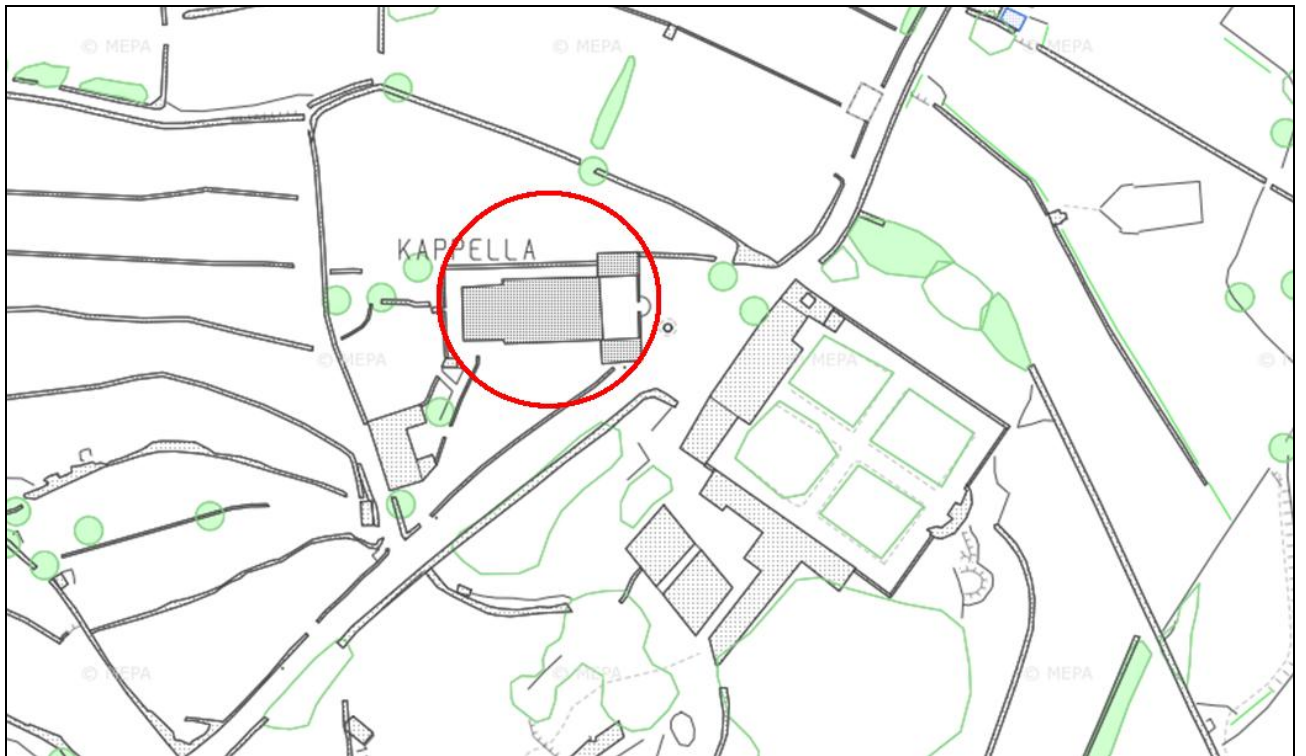
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Property Plan



Property Images

