SOVRINTENDENZA TAL-PATRIMONJU KULTURALI SUPERINTENDENCE OF CUITURAL HERITAGE

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Property Name Church of the Annuciation

Address Triq tal-Lunzjata

Town Name Rabat Toponym Local Council Rabat

Property Owner Religious Managing Body Religious Denomination

Guardianship Deed

Period Modern (16th to 20th Century AD)

Phase Early Modern: Knights of St John (1530-1798)

Cultural Heritage A

Architectural Artistic

Social

Property Function Religious

Cultural Heritage Property Value

Assessment

High

Conservation Area

Outline Description Church dedicated to the Annuciation

Property Description

The church, dedicated to the Annunciation, is flanked by a small convent occupied by the Carmelite friars. The present-day church was built on the site of a previous medieval chapel. The church has an austere rectangular facade, and is characterised by a large rectangular doorway headed by a semicircular light window. These are both enframed within a masonry framework which extends upwards to support a rectangular architrave and cornice. The doorway is flanked on either side by a small rectangular window. An oculus window is centrally placed beneath the delicate cornice which runs along the facade of the church. A small plain rectangular belfry embellishes the facade. This church was originally built in the early 15th Century by the benefactor Margarita D'Anarogona di Pellegrino, however, its plan has been structurally altered throughout the years. In 1713, the church had undergone a number of structural damages and the interior was rebuilt, without demolishing the original 15th Century building. In 1844, the church was once again restored. These two dates are incised on the ceiling. A marble plaque with the "Non Gode l'Immunita Ecclesiae" is placed at the right of the doorway.

Scheduled by MEPA Yes Degree of Protection Grade 1 G.N. No. GN278/98 G.N. Date 1998

Guillaumier, Alfie (1972) Bliet u Rhula Maltin

Recommended Bibliography

Kilin (2000) A Hundred Wayside Chapels of Malta and Gozo

Coordinates: Easting 70622 44488 Northing: Coordinates

Property Plan



Property Images

