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Development Plan Review  
Planning Department  
Clare County Council  
New Road  
Ennis  
Co. Clare  
V95 DXP2



15 Nov 2020

Dear Sir/Madam

Following the notification in the Clare Champion regarding the intention to review the existing Clare County Development Plan 2017 – 2023 and prepare a new Development Plan 2022 – 2028, I wish to make the following observation;

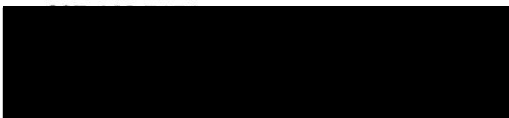
The old Convent in Killaloe, as outlined in the attached land registry map, was initially built as a Bishops Palace in 1868, and occupied by the Bishop until the Sisters of Mercy were gifted the building and moved to Killaloe in 1889. They took residence in the now named 'Convent of Mercy' and had over 100 years of service to the people of Killaloe and surrounding areas. In 2019 the Convent was sold and is now in private residence and ownership.

The land of approximately .21 Hectares is currently zoned as community. In light of the recent sale by the Sisters of Mercy, and as it is now a private dwelling, I believe the current 'community zoning' may be outdated. The building is 5845 sqft. In size which is around 2-3 times larger than a average home so at some stage in the future some options may be considered as in how best to maintain and occupy this historic building to maximise it's full potential in the town centre.

Thank you in advance for reviewing this observation.

Regards,

Mark Hurson



# Land Registry Compliant Map

2019 - Map 1 KILLALOE



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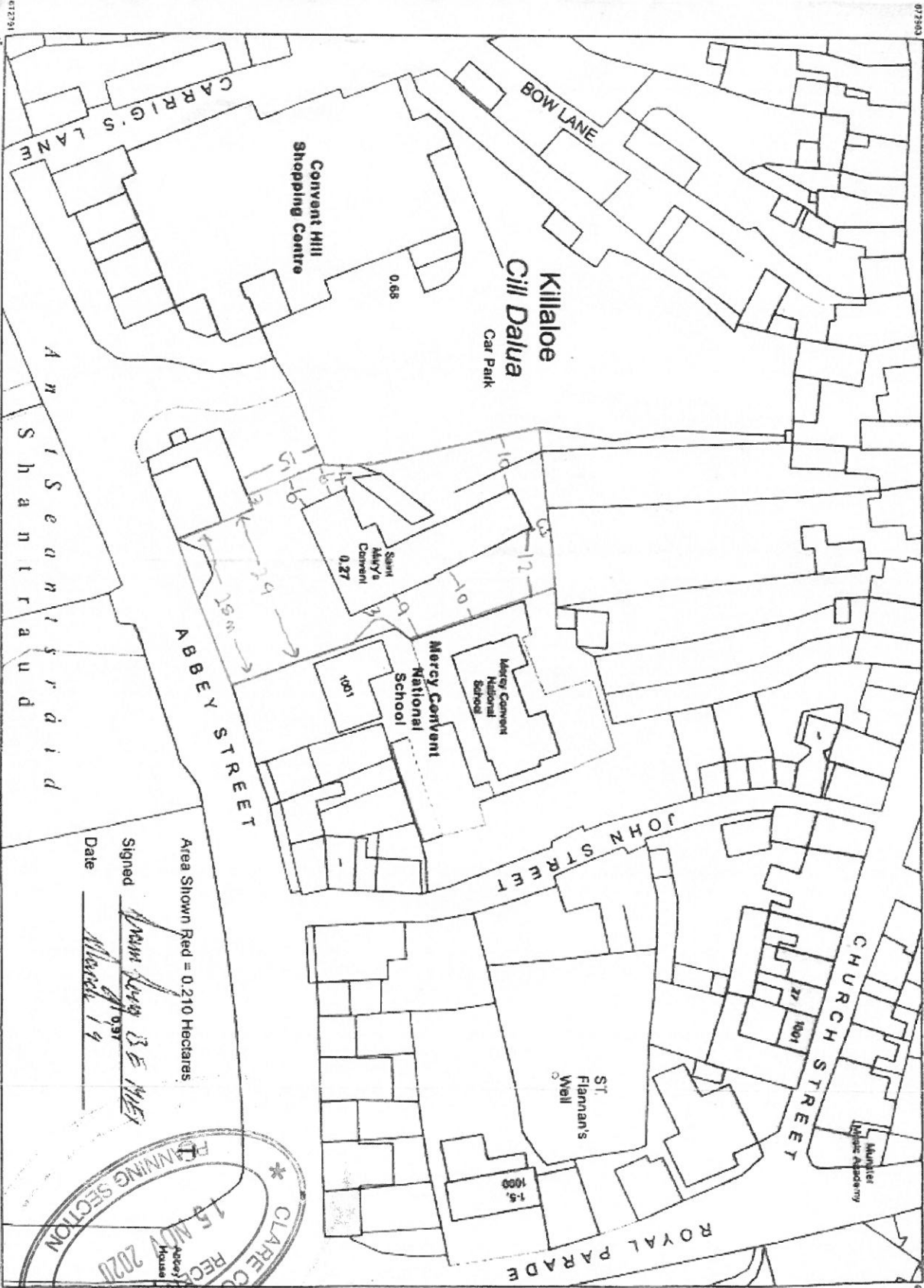
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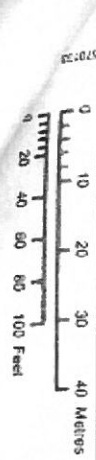
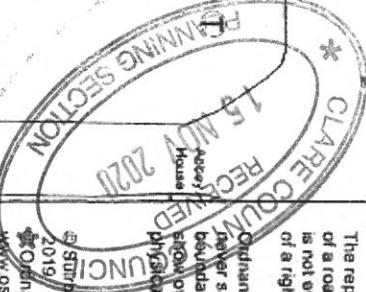
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Signed *M. King B.E. MBE*  
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