**Property Name** | Tal-Ghallis Tower
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**Address** | Triq is-Salini
**Town Name** | Naxxar
**Toponym** | Bahar iċ-Ċagħaq
**Local Council** | Naxxar
**Property Owner** | Government
**Managing Body** | Din L-Art Ħelwa
**Guardianship Deed** | Yes

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| Cultural Heritage Type & Value | Architectural Historical
| Cultural Heritage Property Value Assessment | High |
| Property Function | Military |
| Conservation Area | Not Available |

**Outline Description**
One of a chain of thirteen coastal towers built during the period of the Knights of St John.

**Property Description**
Built in 1658 by Grand Master de Redin, Tal-Ghallis Tower was the second of a chain of thirteen coastal tower to be built during the period of the Knights of St John to fortify Malta's coastline. The main purpose of these watch towers was to provide an early warning system to the Knights from attacks by pirates and other raiders. They were not designed to oppose invading forces. Guarding the entrances to Salina Bay, Ghallis Tower followed the standard design pattern for coastal towers which consisted of a square plan and two floors with a turret at roof level.

**Scheduled by MEPA** | Yes
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**Degree of Protection** | Grade 1
**G.N. No.** | 729
**G.N. Date** | 1995

**Recommended Bibliography**