



SOVRINTENDENZA
TAL-PATRIMONJU KULTURALI
SUPERINTENDENCE OF CULTURAL HERITAGE

National Inventory of the Cultural Property of the Maltese Islands

NICPMI Inv. No. 1308

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Property Name	Chapel of Saint John				
Address	Hal-Millieri				
Town Name	Zurrieq	Toponym	Hal-Millieri	Local Council	Zurrieq
Property Owner	Private	Managing Body	Din l-Art Helwa		
Guardianship Deed	Yes				

Period	Modern (16th to 20th Century AD)				
Phase	Late Medieval : Angevines - Aragonese (late 13 - early 16 C. AD)				
Cultural Heritage Type & Value	Artistic	Cultural Heritage Property Value Assessment	Outstanding		
	Architectural				
	Social				
Property Function	Religious	Conservation Area	-		

Outline Description	Chapel dedicated to St John
Property Description	<p>This chapel forms part of the four chapels built in the area known as Hal Millieri, namely those dedicated to the Annunciation, Visitation (now in ruins), St John the Evangelist, and St Michael which was also demolished. A stone column surmounted by a cross set on a square pedestal and two circular steps is located in the open square opposite the chapel of St John and the flanking ruins of St Michael's chapel. The present chapel was built in the mid-1600s, and was built on an earlier chapel. Little is known on the previous chapel, except that it already existed in 1481 and that in 1631 the Church authorities had threatened to deconsecrate it unless it was refurbished. However, instead, the chapel was demolished and replaced by the present chapel. The surviving chapel has undergone minor changes, and a new altar was installed in 1931. The chapel, since 2004, falls under the wing of Din l-Art Helwa, which is making its utmost to preserve it. St John's chapel is reached via a flight of stairs and a parapetted atrium. The chapel's facade is austere, having a small plain rectangular window on the left hand side of the doorway while on the right hand there is a plaque with the inscription 'Non Gode l'Immunita Ecclesiae'. The doorway is an example of Renaissance architecture and a slanting roof with a centrally placed bell-cot with a cross on top.</p>

Scheduled by MEPA	Yes	Degree of Protection	Grade 1	G.N. No.	008	G.N. Date	1997
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Recommended Bibliography	Kilin (2009) <i>A Hundred Wayside Chapels of Malta and Gozo</i> , Heritage Books, Malta
	Guillaumier.,A. (1972) <i>Bliet u Rhula Maltin</i> , Malta

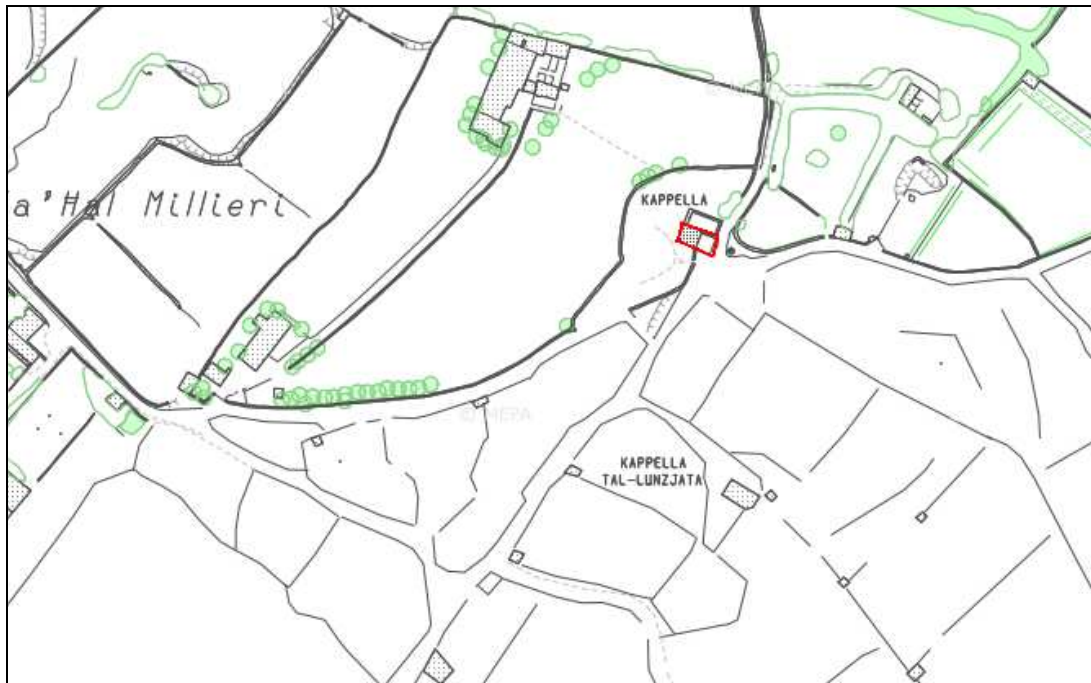
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Property Plan



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