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TAL-PATRIMONJU KULTURALI
SUPERINTENDENCE OF CULTURAL HERITAGE

National Inventory of the Cultural Property of the Maltese Islands

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Property Name	Parish Church of the Assumption		
Address	Triq il- Kbira		
Town Name	Gudja	Toponym	Local Council Gudja
Property Owner	Religious	Managing Body	Archidiocese
Guardianship Deed	Under consideration		

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

Outline Description	The present day church dates back to 1656 and works on its construction lasted for 10 years. The church was consecrated by Bishop Vincenzo Labini on 11th December 1785.
Property Description	Tumas Dingli drafted the plan for this new church on a Latin Cross and it incorporates within itself a nave, two transepts and a choir. It also has an octagonal dome which is elevated on a drum and pierced on the sides with small windows. In 1901, the facade was rebuilt by Angelo Dalli but following the designs of Carlo Farrugia. The facade is divided into three tiers: the lower part has the main entrance whilst including a series of fluted columns on plinths. These are topped by an entablature which is decorated with triglyphs and triangular pediments on each door. The middle tier has three arched windows which are decorated with stone mouldings. Distributed along the facade, there are a series of flat pilasters capped with volutes. Further embellishing the facade there are two life-sized female figures of Charity and Faith. The upper tier reaches its architectural splendour with highly decorated two bell-towers and a pedestal that is decorated with cherub heads, seated male figures and the colossal figure of Christ.

Scheduled by MEPA	Yes	Degree of Protection	Grade 1	G.N. No.	782/11	G.N. Date	
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Recommended Bibliography	Farrugia, M., Parish Church of the Assumption, Gudja, accessed on Monday 12th August, 2013 < http://www.maltain360.com/default.aspx#110005554 >
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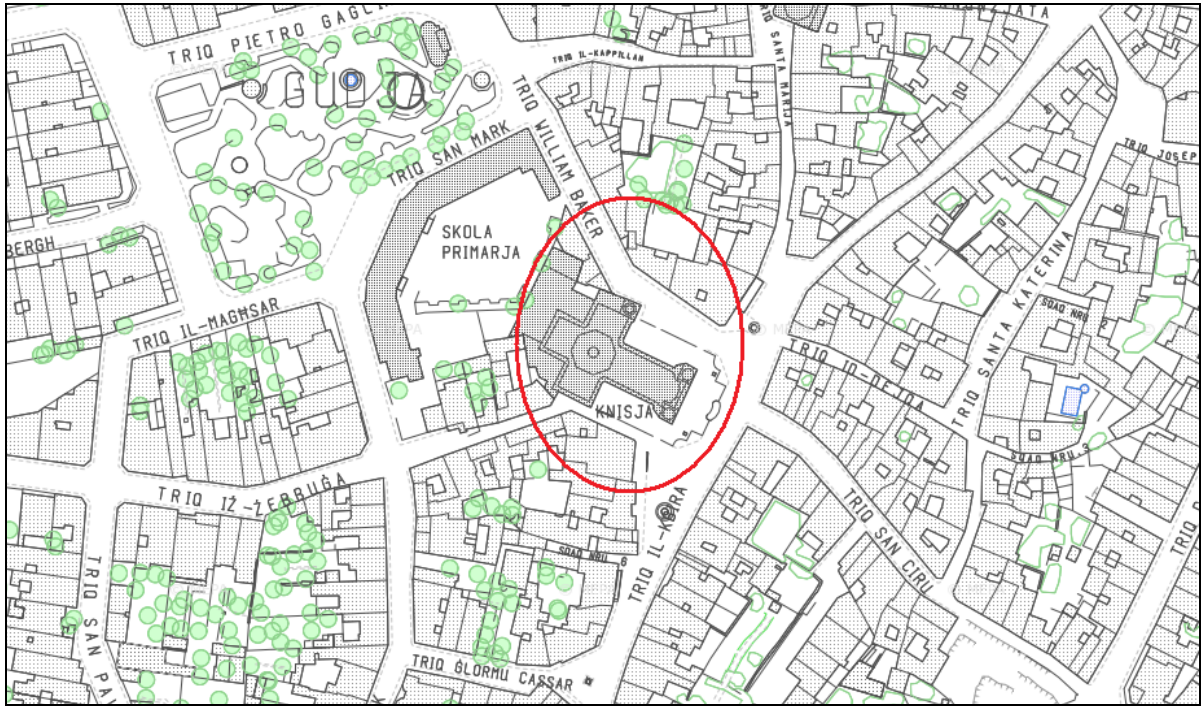
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Property Plan



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