

Appendix 11.4

Arklow & Environs Local
Area Plan 2018-2024

Heritage Objectives of the Arklow & Environs Local Area Plan 2018-2024

HT1 To maintain the favourable conservation status of all proposed and future Natural Heritage Areas (NHAs) in the plan area in particular the Arklow Marsh and to support environmentally sensitive measures to enhance the understanding and enjoyment of such natural areas.

HT2 To protect the listed prospect of special amenity (from the R750/coast road towards the sea) from development that would either obstruct the prospect from the identified vantage point or form an obtrusive or incongruous feature in that prospect. Due regard will be paid in assessing development applications to the span and scope of the prospect and the location of the development within that prospect.

HT3 Protect and enhance the character, setting and environmental quality of natural, architectural and archaeological heritage, and in particular those features of the natural landscape and built structures that contribute to its special interest. The natural, architectural and archaeological heritage of the area shall be protected in accordance with the objectives set out in the Wicklow County Development Plan

HT4 To consolidate and safeguard the historical and architectural character of Arklow town centre through the protection of individual buildings, structures, shopfronts and elements of the public realm that are of architectural merit and/or contribute greatly to this character.

HT5 To maintain the coastal character of the settlement and to provide for its enjoyment as a recreational and natural asset.

HT6 To facilitate the enhancement of facilities such as the Arklow Maritime Museum which increase public awareness and appreciation of the town's maritime heritage.

HT7 To facilitate the development of initiatives to highlight Arklow's maritime heritage in the public realm.

HT8 To facilitate the development and enhancement of green infrastructure resources, including access to, connectivity between areas of interest and linkages between green spaces including the coast, where feasible within Arklow and environs settlement boundary (see Map No. 10.1).

HT9 To maintain the conservation value of all proposed and future Natural Heritage Areas (NHAs) and to protect other designated ecological sites in Arklow and Environs.

NIAH and RPS Structures

NIAH Ref. No.	Structure	Date
16322089	House	1890-1905
16322067	Terraced Houses	1890-1905

16322068	Grianan House	1890-1905
16322069	House	1890-1905
16322070	Terraced House	1890-1905
16322071	Beula House	1890-1905
16322072	House	1890-1905
16322073	The Old Manse - detached house	1860
16322075	Detached house	1850-1860
16322076	House/shop retail	1850-1860
16322074 RPS A31	Methodist Church	1860
16322046 RPS A26	Arklow Bridge	1755
RPS A17	Navigation Beacon North Pier	Latter half of the 20 th century
RPS A37	Public House	
16322045 RPS A25	Commercial Property	1870-1890
16322077	Ferrybank House	1840-1860
16322047	House/Retail Unit	c.1890
16322034 RPS A22	House/Retail Unit	c. 1840
16322035 RPS A23	House/Retail Unit	c.1760
16322048 RPS A28	Bank/ Financial Institution	1914
16322036	House	c.1840
16322037 RPS A24	House/Retail Unit	c.1840
16322044 RPS A38	House/public house	c.1840
16322051	House	c.1870
16322050	House	c.1820

Table 1: Record of Monuments and Places

RMP No.	Inv. No	Legal Status	Townland ITM/IG	Site Type	RMP Files Description	Information Source
WI 040-029008	N/A	RMP	Ferrybank 724796 673751 324873,173712	Graveyard	Situated on low-lying marshy ground in Arklow Town. Probably the site of a Cistercian Abbey (WI040-029004-), granted by Theobold Walter to the Cistercians of Furness, but possibly only in existence for a short period (Gwynn and Hadcock 1970, 126). It was part of the medieval borough of Arklow (WI040-029--). Human skeletons in what appear to have been lintelled graves or long cists were found on the site prior to 1927 at the site marked 'site of grave yard' on the 183 OS 6-inch map. A trapezoidal tombstone, possibly of medieval date, was also found and was located at Shelton Abbey (Ronan 1927, 103). The site is now occupied by houses.	RMP files
WI 040-029007	N/A	RMP	Arklow 724342 673534	Graveyard	The site of the medieval church of St Mary on the north side of Main Street; marked as 'Grave Yard' on the 1838 OS 6-inch map. Not visible at ground level; the rectangular graveyard (29m east-west and 23m north-south) has been made into a public park and the 18 th and 19 th century headstones, including examples by Denis Cullen, have been arranged around the perimeter.	RMP files
WI040:029	1158	RMP	Abbeylands/ Arklow/ Ferrybank/ Marsh/ Sheephouse/ Tinahask Lower/ Yardland 724381, 673512 324458, 173473	Historic town	Situated at the mouth of the Avoca River, the town of Arklow was founded by the Vikings. The suffix '-lo' which is of Scandinavian origin (meaning meadow) and the 9th century burial from the vicinity (209) indicate an early settlement (Bradley & King 1989, 1). In AD 1185 the manor of Arklow was granted to Theobald FitzWalter by Prince John and may have been settled soon afterwards. The lands remained in the hands of FitzWalter's family, the Butlers, throughout the medieval period. There may have been a harbour; a 'haven' is mentioned in a 1571 covenant, as are town defences in the form of 'gates, ditches and pales' (Curtis 1933-43, V, 212). Kerrigan (1995, 38) states that in 1576, what must have been earthwork ramparts were constructed around Wicklow and Arklow. Of the medieval town only the street pattern and a portion of the castle (WI040-029002-) survive.	RMP files/ Archaeological Inventory of County Wicklow (1997)

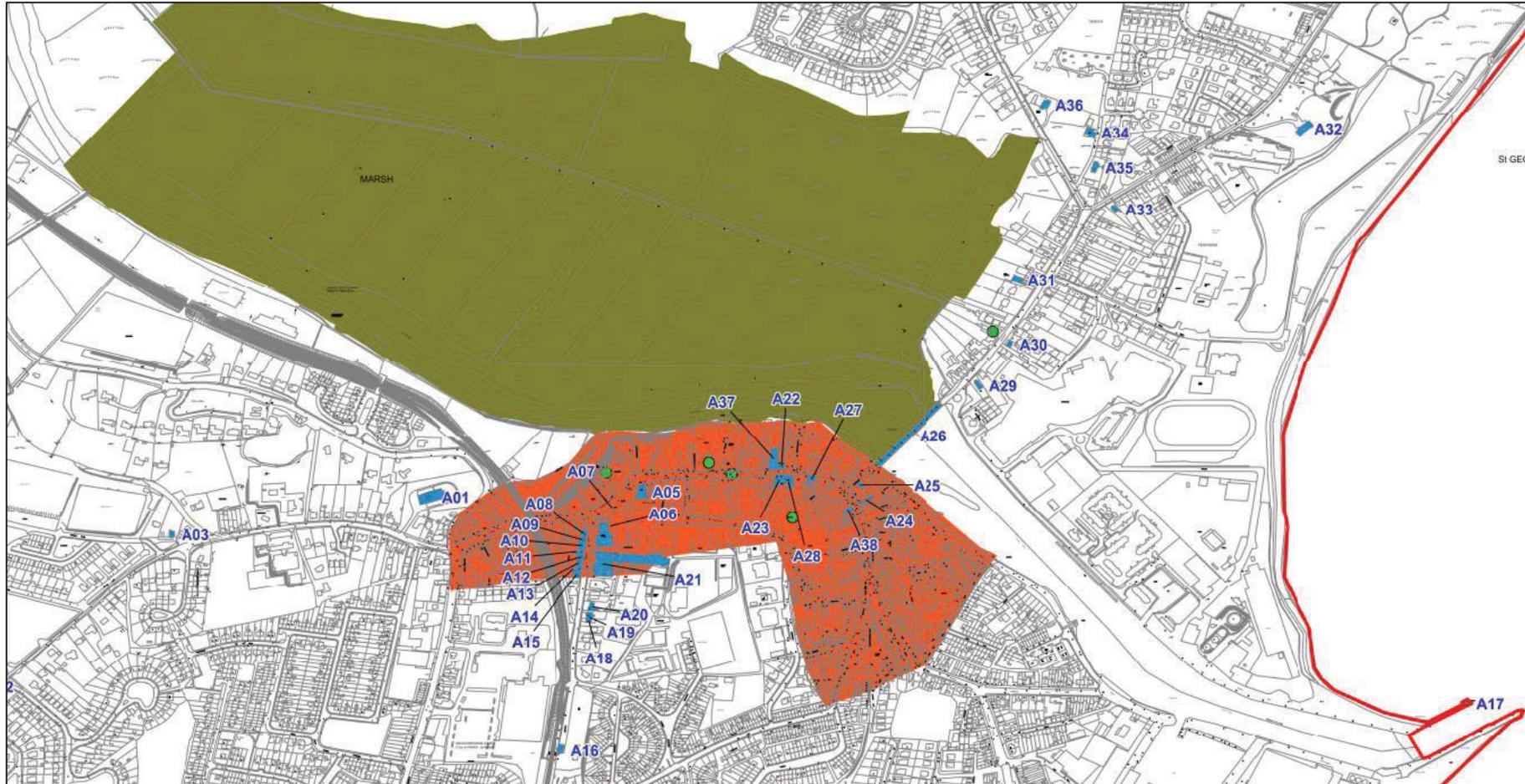


Figure 11.4.1: Arklow and Environs LAP 2018-2024 Heritage Objective Map No 2(b)