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Hi,

We are the owners of one 'Lowes' Thatched Cottages in Main street in Adare, which is a protected structure.

RPS ref	Building name/ Title	Location/ Townland	Description	Picture
861	'Lowes'	Main Street	Cottage	
Terraced three-bay two-storey thatched house, built c. 1830. Pitched thatched roof, overhanging and with red brick chimneystack. Rubble stone walls with square-headed openings having timber casement windows, timber lintels and red brick block-and-start surrounds.				

The Adare Heritage Cottages provide a tourist attraction and subsequently provide significant footfall to the numerous businesses in Adare and the local area in general. However, this provides no financial benefit to the residents of these cottages.

The gardens behind these cottages need to be treated every bit as important as the cottages themselves. creating an ambience which would re-inforce the visual and historic aspect of the overall area for residents and visitors alike.

The gardens provide a much-needed buffer from the visitors and traffic in the village. For the last number of years, the private "right of way" for Residents/Owners at the back of the cottages has been used by the general public as a public toilet; also they use it as an area to take photos, flying drones

It has come to our attention that the Adare Realm plan indicates a plan to turn our gardens into a public car park.

We strongly request that these Thatched Cottages and Gardens be protected and that this aspect of the LAP be withdrawn and not actioned.

Heritage needs to be supported by Limerick County Council, as after all Adare is a Heritage Village and is known far-and-wide across the world as such.

Also, Getting Insurance is a major issue and impossible to get... even if you are luck to get it, Insurance costs many thousands each year.

The grants (e.g. Building Heritage Investments Scheme) are too small to allow any meaningful work to be done to the cottages.

Could Limerick County Council provide better assistance to us.

Regards,
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