

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1981

THE REGISTERED BUILDINGS (GENERAL) REGULATIONS 1982

TO: The Vicar and Wardens of Marown,
The Vicarage,
Main Road,
Crosby,
Isle of Man.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at a meeting held on the 15th day of July, 1983, the **PLANNING COMMITTEE** of the Isle of Man Local Government Board in pursuance of its powers under the Above Act and Regulations **REGISTERED** the former Parish Church known as 'St. Runius', Garth Road in the Parish of Marown, in the **PROTECTED BUILDINGS REGISTER**, by reason of its architectural or historic interest.

THE EFFECT OF THIS REGISTRATION IS IMMEDIATE and prohibits the alteration or demolition of the structure or appearance of any part of the building(s) except in compliance with an obligation imposed by or under any statutory provision or with the prior written consent of the Planning Committee.

Public Notice of this Registration will be published on the 29th July, 1983.

This twenty-first day of July, 1983.

By Order of the Committee

J. F. Kissack, Secretary.

Government Offices,
Bucks Road,
Douglas, Isle of Man.

NOTE

Rights of Review and Appeal against this Registration are provided under the Regulations and summarised overleaf.

A copy of Schedule 2 of the Town & Country Planning Act 1981 is appended hereto.

Registry Entry Summary – St Runius Church

Details

Name: St Runius Church (former Marown Parish Church)

Address: Garth Road, Crosby

Register Entry Number: 14

Date of Registration: 21.7.1983

History

Elements of church are believed to date from circa 1200 (parts of the eastern half). In the Manorial Rent Roll of 1511 the parish is named St Runii, believed to be a Columban missionary who came to the island in the 7th century AD. The church was extended westwards by approximately 5m between 1750 and 1755, and a western gallery was added at or shortly after this date.

The church served as Marown Parish Church until 1853, when the present Parish church on the main Douglas-Peel Road replaced it. The Chancel was by the 1840s in a dilapidated condition, and was taken down in 1849. The building was shortened and a new eastern wall constructed using the surplus stones.

After the new Parish church came in to use, Old St Runius was used as a mortuary chapel, and a mission room where occasional services were held.

Some repair works were undertaken in 1905 by Parish Clerk Thomas Lewin and his son Douglas. During these repairs, a portion of historic floor was revealed approximately two feet below the present floor. An old doorway and holy water basin (stoup) were also discovered at this time.

The church yard is said to contain the graves of St Runii (or Runy), St Lomanus and St Onca, and is understood to have been larger historically than it now appears.

The church is still used for services during the summer and festivals.

Form and Materials

Rectangular plan form with external stepped gallery on eastern gable over porch to entrance door. Bell cote at peak of eastern gable. Open plan internally except for small timber enclosed room at south west corner. 4 semi-circular arched windows on south wall and infilled opening in west gable.

Walls finished in exposed local stone, bell cote finished in sand/cement render. Timber single glazed windows, painted timber entrance door, painted metal gate to porch. Some of the stone elements are believed to have come from St Trinian's Church.

Pitched roof with trusses, chords, purlins and rafters exposed internally. Roof finished in Cambrian slate.

Reasons for Registration

St Runius Church, Marown, is included in the Protected Buildings Register for the following reasons:

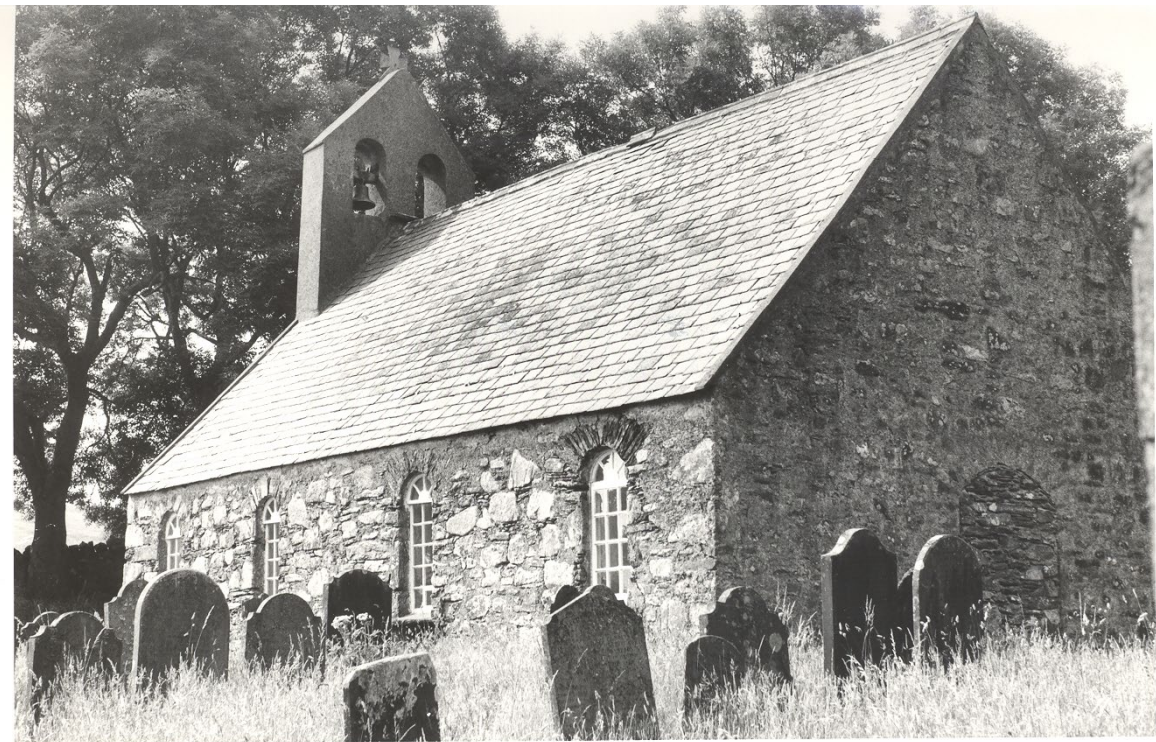
ARCHITECTURAL INTEREST:

- Former Parish Church dating from c.1200, significantly altered in 1750s and retaining many elements of architectural fabric and detailing.

HISTORIC INTEREST:

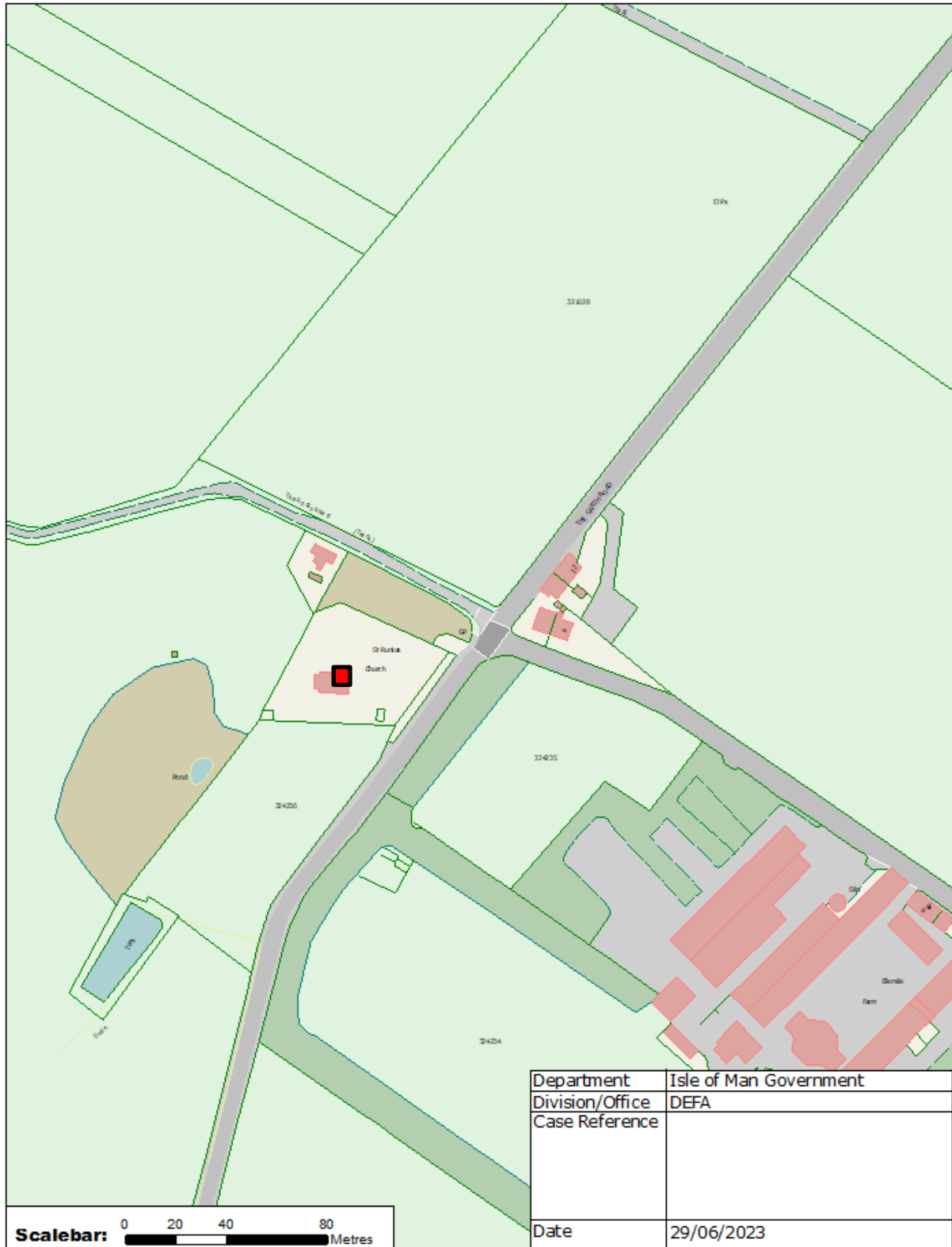
- Former Parish Church dating from c.1200, illustrating important aspects of the nation's religious history and the social and cultural history of Marown Parish.

Photographs circa date of registration



Photographs taken January 2009





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