

Form RB1

Registered Building No. 17
Ref NGC/MC

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1981

THE REGISTERED BUILDINGS (GENERAL) REGULATIONS 1982

TO: The Clerk,
Castletown Town Commissioners,
Commissioners' Office,
Parliament Square,
Castletown,
Isle of Man.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at a meeting held on the 23rd day of September, 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 Town Hall (Main Building), Market Square in the Town of Castletown, 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 September, 1983.

This twenty-sixth day of September, 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 – Manannan House, Castletown

Details

Name: Manannan House (former Town Hall)
Address: Market Square, Castletown IM9 1RB
Register Entry Number: 17
Date of Registration: 26.09.1983

History

The site is first known to have been occupied by an inn towards the end of the 18th century, called The George, and owned by The Duke of Athol. The Duke of Athol's manorial rights were purchased by the Crown in 1828; following which the building was converted to serve as Barracks for the Castle's Garrison. During the period of use as the Barracks, the building had railings on the front (Market Square) elevation, with a drill yard at the rear. The Garrison was withdrawn in 1896.

In 1911, the War Department sold the property to Castletown Commissioners for £600, and the building became the Town Hall. The Market Square elevation railings were removed and the pavement extended up to the property's front wall.

A new town hall and civic centre was built in 1989, following which the building was sold in to private ownership. The building was renamed Manannan House, and initially used as offices. At the time of writing, the property is now used as a Coffee Shop and Gym.

Form and Materials

The property is constructed of local Limestone, with painted render at ground floor on the Market Square elevation. Roof structure is timber, finished in natural slate. The rear elevation windows are framed in stained timber. At the time of writing, the front elevation windows are UPVC bottom opening casement units, installed since registration without the benefit of registered building consent.

The building is three storeys, with five bays, and a double-piled pitched roof. There is a rendered string course immediately below the first floor window cills, and painted render bands around the front elevation windows. The historic window style is six over six sliding sash.

Reasons for Registration

Manannan House, Castletown, is included in the Protected Buildings Register for the following reasons:

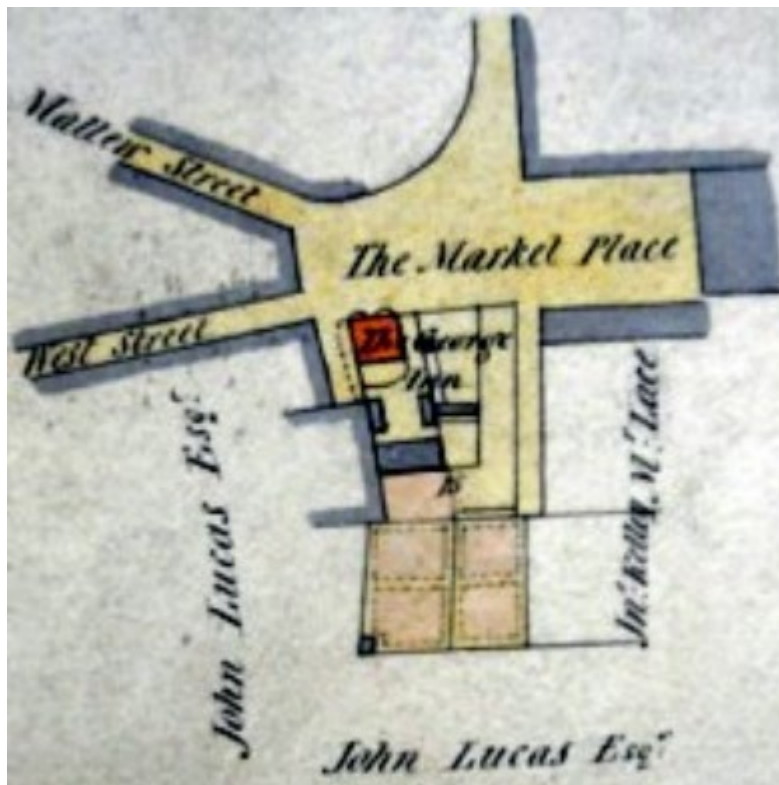
ARCHITECTURAL INTEREST:

- Surviving example of an 18th century inn converted to serve as army barracks in 1828; constructed in local Limestone, featuring a double-piled roof form, and with surviving elements of architectural detailing.

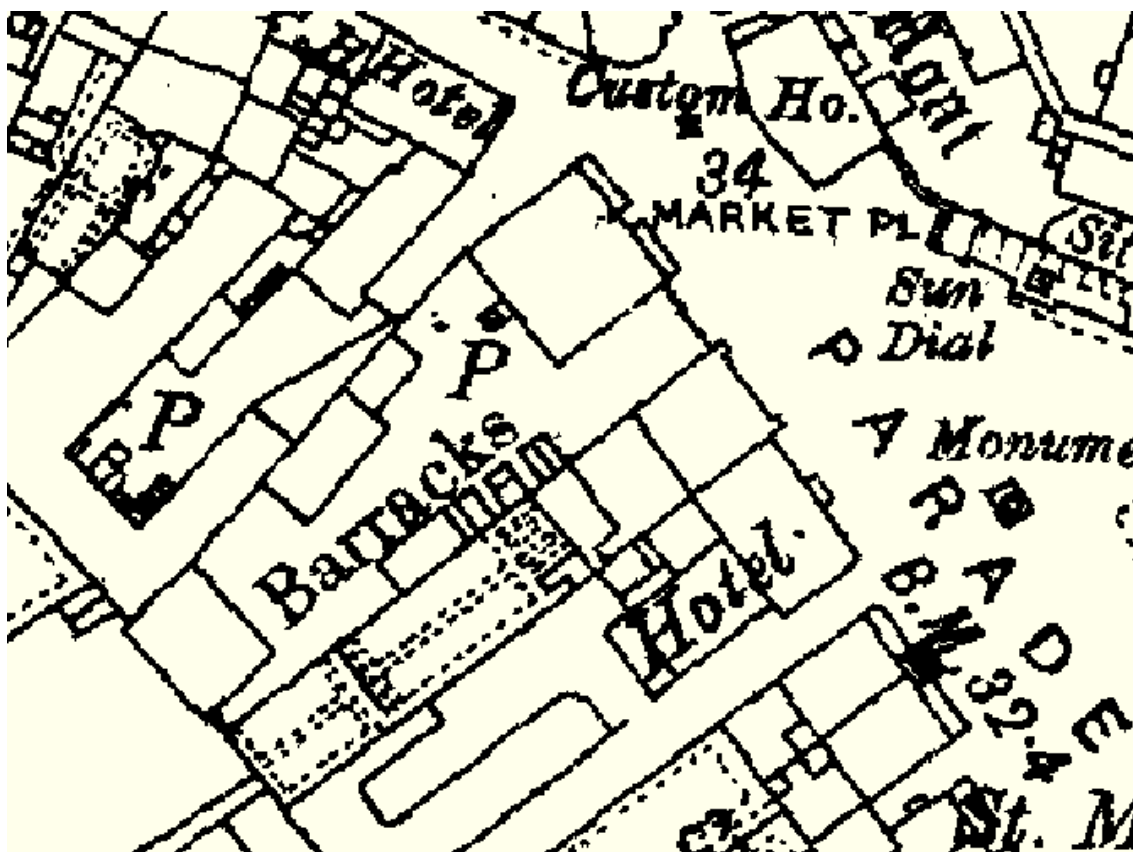
HISTORIC INTEREST:

- Dating from the late 18th century, and altered in the 1820s, the property has served as an Inn, Barracks for the Castle Garrison and Town Hall, and as such illustrates important aspects of the island's military and social history.

Image of the Governor's Demesne – dated circa 1834



Extract of the First Edition Ordnance Survey Map – dated 1868/69



Photographs circa date of registration

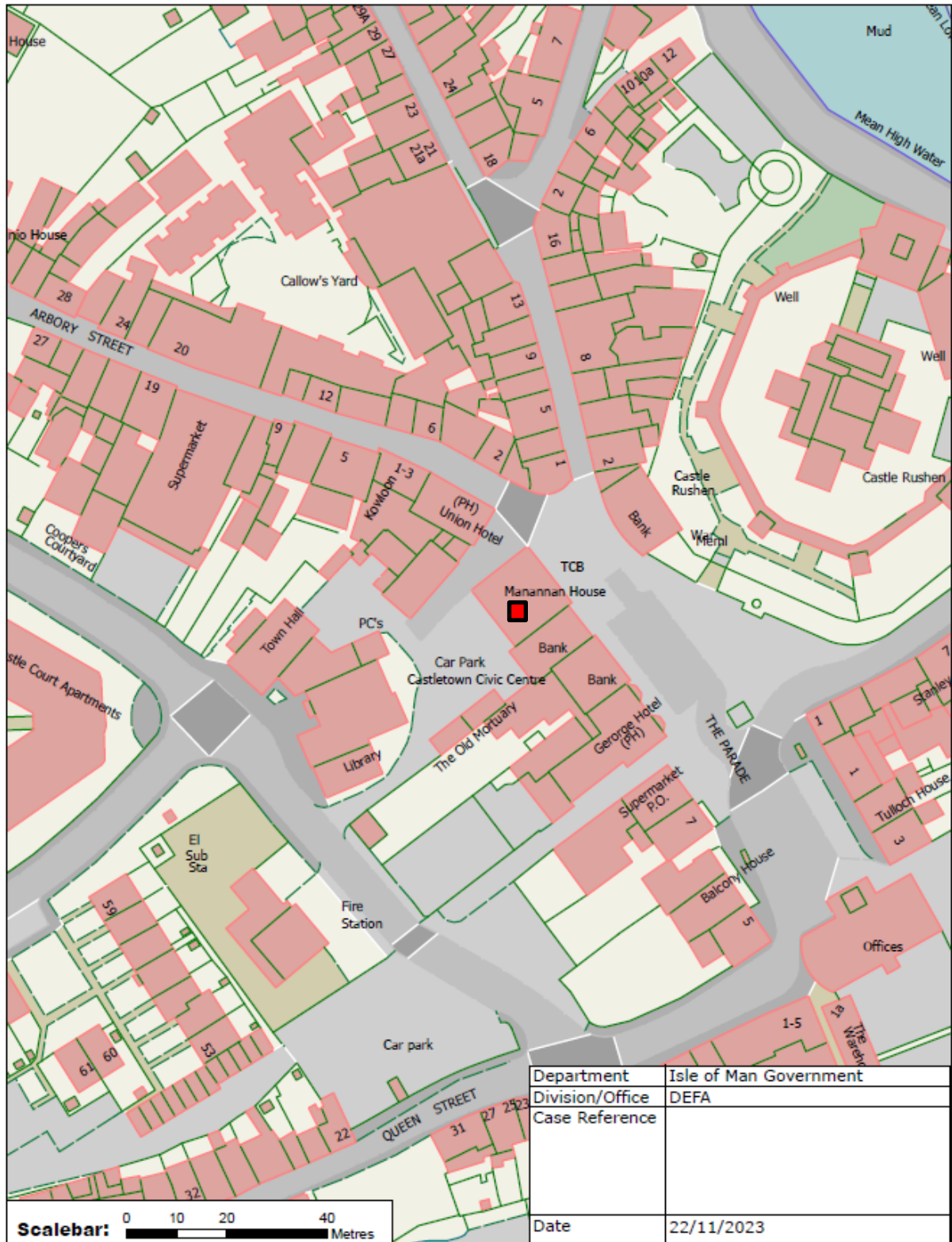


Photograph taken 2015





Location Plan



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