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From: cindy griffin [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday 12 December 2022 13:39
To: Development Plan
Subject: Proposed RPS 920 Fisherman's House, Doolin

I received notice of the above proposal and am happy to have it included in the list of Co. Clare protected properties if accepted. My husband William and I took occupancy of the proposed cottage in May 1981 and purchased it on January 1, 1982, from Averil, Lady Swinfen who in turn had purchased it from Micho Fitzgerald. Mr. Fitzgerald informed me at that time that there had always been a shop in the building. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] As it is one of the few original cottages left on Fisherstreet, I feel strongly obligated to try and maintain the structure and understand that that would be expected of me should the house receive protection. We hope to undertake some replastering, replacing of fascia board and gutters, etc. We have already done some repairs to the roof after a bad storm a few years ago. Apart from the financial challenges this upkeep would entail, however, we are also facing difficulties of access to all sides of the cottage in order to do so. The eastern gable where the chimney needs repair to make the fireplace viable and the rear of the cottage are cut off from approach by a recently constructed timber wall/bench which hampers our efforts at maintenance. To make the cottage once again a proper dwelling place necessitates some internal work as well.

So many of the cottages from the mid-19Th century have been tumbled, it would be a shame to let this example of the original village go the same way.

Sincerely
Cynthia Sinnott Griffin