

Galway County Council  
Aras an Chontae,  
Prospect Hill,  
Galway  
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13<sup>th</sup> June 2024



**DESCRIPTION OF WORKS FOR WHICH RETENTION IS SOUGHT AT EMLAGHMORE,  
BALLYCONNEELY, CO. GALWAY, PROPERTY OF PAT RIDGE'S & FAMILY**

**1. Roof**

In the 1990's an old partially collapsed corrugated metal roof was removed by hand, placed in a trailer and taken off site by tractor and trailer for appropriate disposal. Some roof timbers were retained for reuse. A small load of gravel was delivered to site by tractor and trailer. A small quantity of concrete was mixed on site on the existing floors within the building. This concrete was then lifted by hand using buckets to the top of the external walls to allow for consolidation of the walls where necessary. New roof timbers and metal sheeting were delivered to the site by tractor and trailer. The new roof timbers and sheeting were fitted by hand from ladders. No waste was generated by these works.



Figure 1 - Roof Sheeting fitted in the 1990's

## 2. *Windows*

In 2020 3 no. existing windows, which had dry loose stone, were reopened in exactly the same configuration as they originally were. This was done by removing the stone by hand. No alterations took place to the original reveals, cills or lintels.



*Figure 2 - Window blocked with dry stone*

The stones were retained on site for reuse in chimney repairs. Temporary timber framed windows, fabricated off site were fitted to ensure that the building could continue to be weathered but allow natural light in.

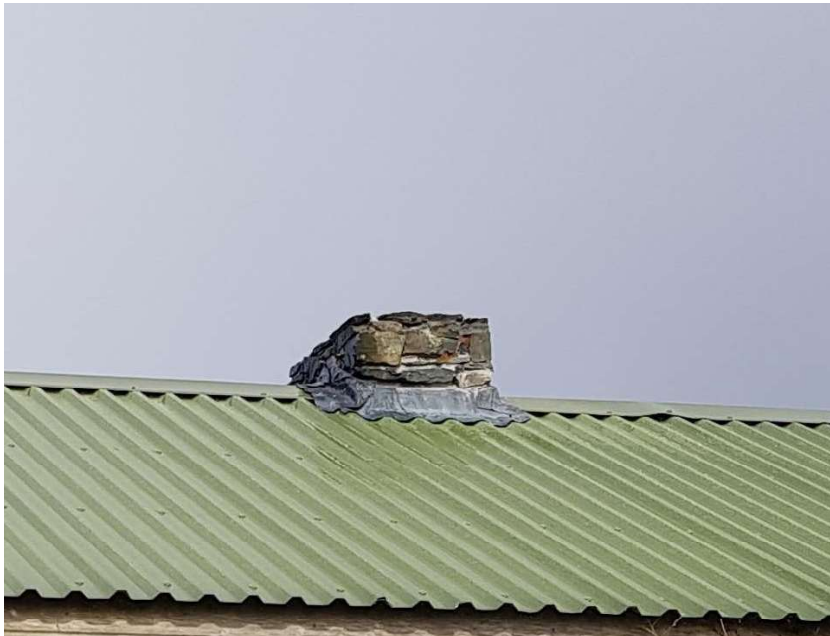




*Figure 3 - Original window opes with stone removed*

### **3. *Chimney***

When carrying out the works to the windows an existing chimney breast was determined to be structurally unstable. Works took place to consolidate the chimney breast and make it good using the stone from the window opes and lime mortar which was mixed on the floor of the building internally using bagged sand and lime.



*Figure 4 - Chimney, made good.*

Again, there was no waste generated by these works.

*Sincerely,*

AFFIDAVIT

I, FRANCIE CONNEELY of ERRISLANNAN, CLIFDEN, aged 18 years and upwards MAKE OATH and say as follows:

- (1) I undertook work to a uninhabited dwelling at Emlaghmore, Ballyconneely, Co. Galway, property of Pat Ridge and his family in the 1990's.
- (2) I removed an old partially collapsed corrugated metal roof by hand.
- (3) The materials from the old roof were placed in a trailer (with the exception of some reusable timbers) and removed off site by tractor and trailer for appropriate disposal.
- (4) A small load of gravel with some bagged cement were brought to the site by tractor and trailer. This allowed for mixing of concrete on the floor of the dwelling, by hand using shovels. The concrete was lifted using buckets to the top of the external walls and to consolidate them in places, where necessary.
- (5) New roof timbers and metal sheeting were delivered to the site by tractor and trailer. I fitted the roof timbers and sheeting by hand from ladders.
- (6) No waste was generated by the above described works.

SWORN by the said Francie Conneely

this 29<sup>th</sup> day of June 2024

at ERRISLANNAN, CLIFDEN, CO GALWAY

and I certify that I, Edmond DeLonghann

(a) Personally know the deponent.

(b) The deponent has been identified to me by PATRICK RIDGE who is personally known to me.

(c) The identity of the deponent has been established by me by reference to the following photographic identification:

Signed: [Signature]  
PRACTISING COMMISSIONER FOR OATHS / SOLICITOR

AFFIDAVIT

I, Patrick Byrne of Westport Ross Clifden, aged  
18 years and upwards MAKE OATH and say as follows:

(1) I, in 2020, reopened 3 no. windows which had been previously bricked up using dry stonework. This was done by removing the stones by hand and retaining them on site for reuse. No tools or materials were required and no alterations took place to the original reveals, cills or lintels.

(2) I fabricated temporary timber framed windows in a workshop off site. I brought these windows to site by 4x4 and fitted same in the existing openings.

(3) I undertook also to carry out works to an existing chimney breast which was structurally unstable. I brought water, bagged sand and lime to the site in my 4x4. I mixed the lime and sand internally on the floor of the building to form mortar. Using the stones from the window opes I rebuilt part of the chimney breast and chimney, using ladder.

(4) There was no waste generated from the above works other than empty bags which I removed from site.

SWORN by the said Patrick Byrne

this 29<sup>th</sup> day of June 2024

at Clifden, Co Galway

and I certify that I, EAGONN DeLOUGHAN

(a) Personally know the deponent.

(b) The deponent has been identified to me by Patrick Byrne who is personally known to me.

(c) The identity of the deponent has been established by me by reference to the following photographic identification:

Signed: [Signature]  
PRACTISING COMMISSIONER FOR OATHS / SOLICITOR