

# DRONE SURVEY

Scale Accurate Photographic Recording  
of  
Structures, Surfaces, Landform and Detail

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Useful for Recording

Buildings, Facades, Piers  
Structures Large and Small

Anything accessible or inaccessible

# DRONE SURVEYS

involve drones flying predetermined regular  
horizontal or vertical patterns

or flying paths chosen by an operator  
controlling the drone from the ground  
or from a suitable vantage point

## DRONE SURVEYS

Typically drones capture multiple overlapping images  
that are later combined by software  
to provide  
photomosaic plans or elevations  
or 3D photomodels

Both Photomosaics and 3D photomodels  
are true photographic images

On the following pages some examples are provided  
of photomosaic plans and elevations  
and of 3D photomodels

Some of the photomodels shown were  
derived from drone images  
others from ground level photographs



# Photomosaic plan of the Joyce Tower & Sandycove Harbour





# Detail of the Harbour

Flown at 50 metres altitude • 75% image overlap





# Detail of the Joyce Tower





# Photomosaic elevation of the rear of Bonnettstown House, County Kilkenny





# Detail of the photomosaic elevation



# DJI Phantom 4





# DJI Mavic 2





# DJI Spark

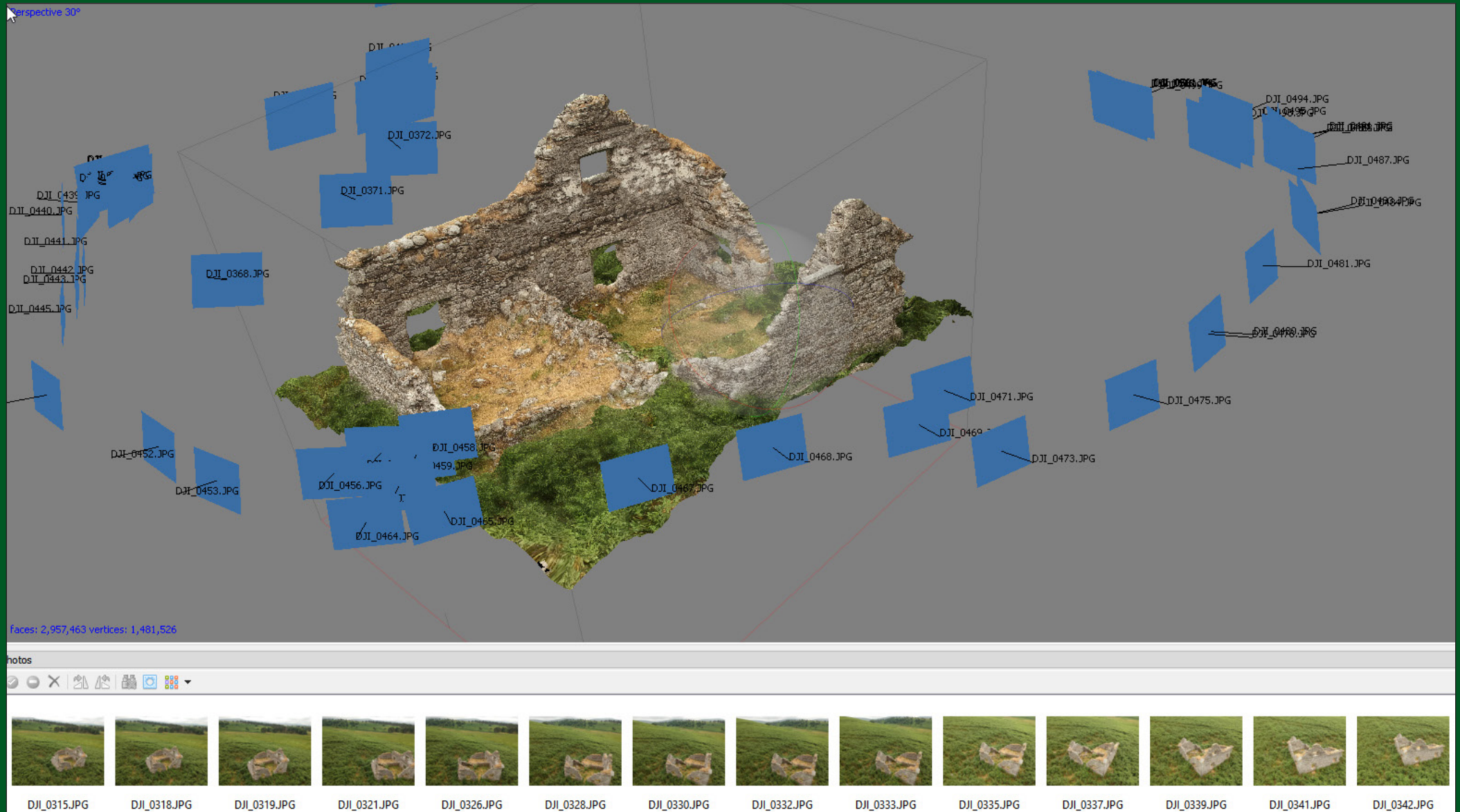


# DJI Spark Controller

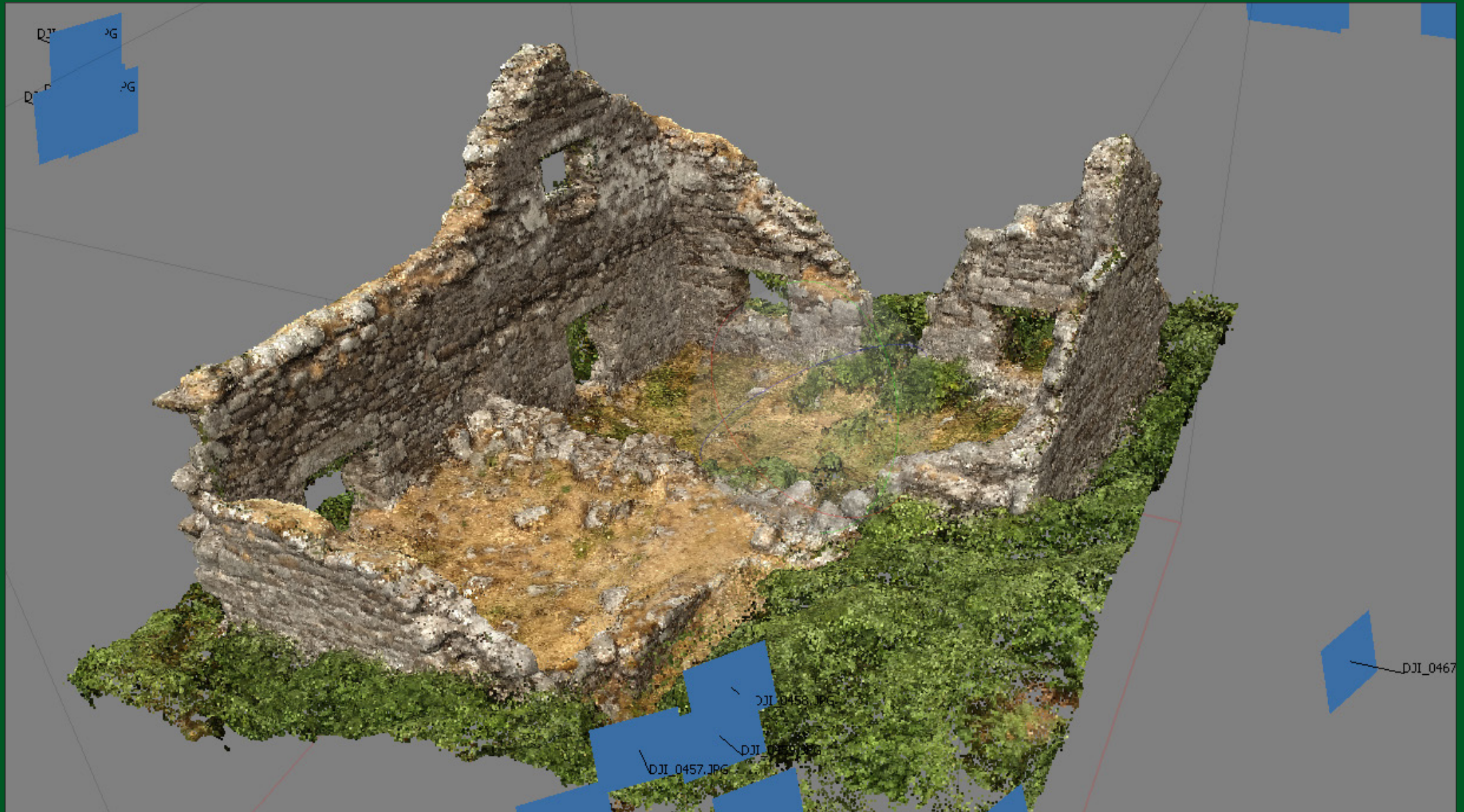




# Photomodel of a ruin showing the flight path and the images captured

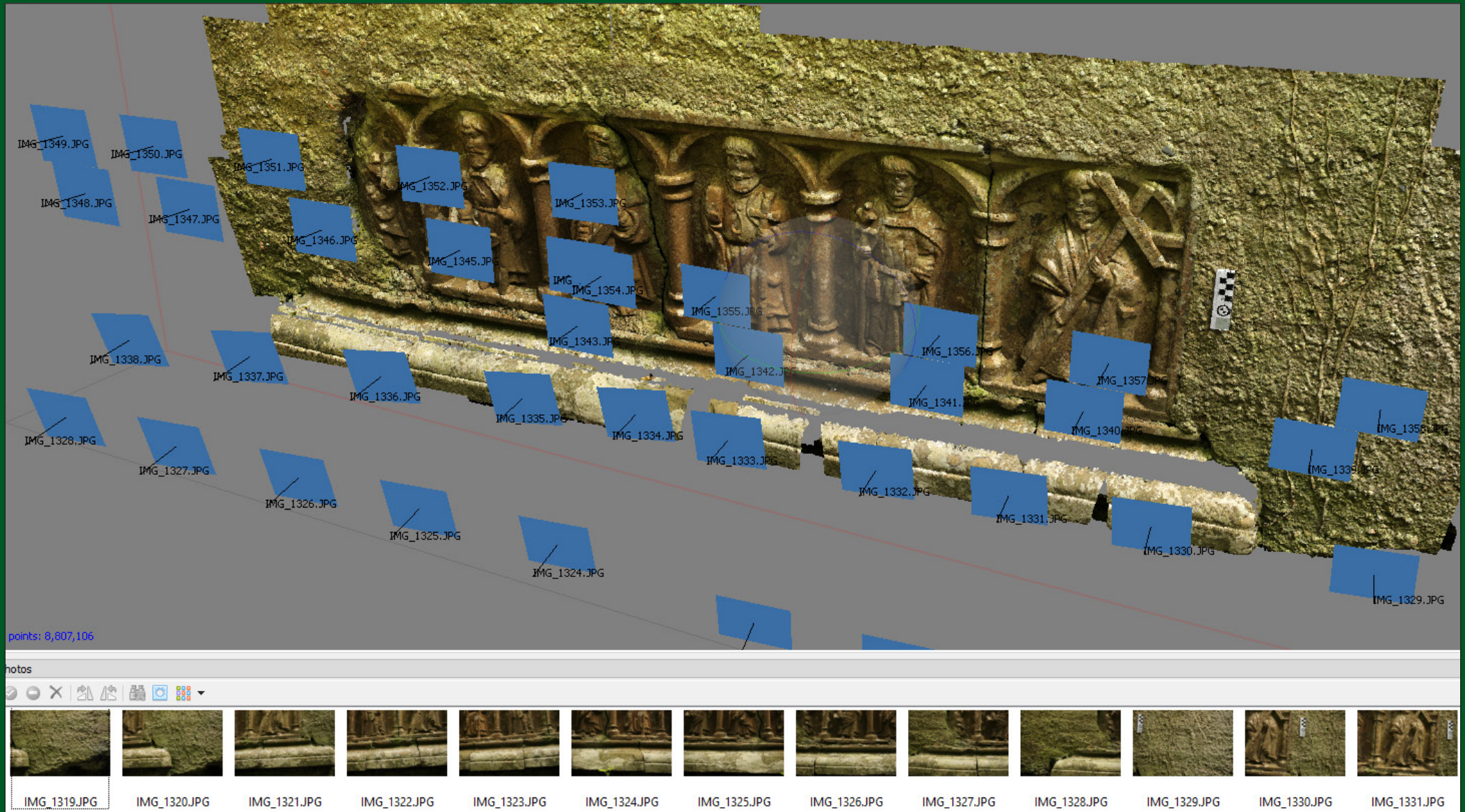


# Closer view of the photomodel





# Photomodel of a wall panel at Dunferth Church showing the location of captured images





# Photograph of the wall panel





# Detail of the photomodel of the wall panel





# Detail of a photomodel of a smaller wall panel



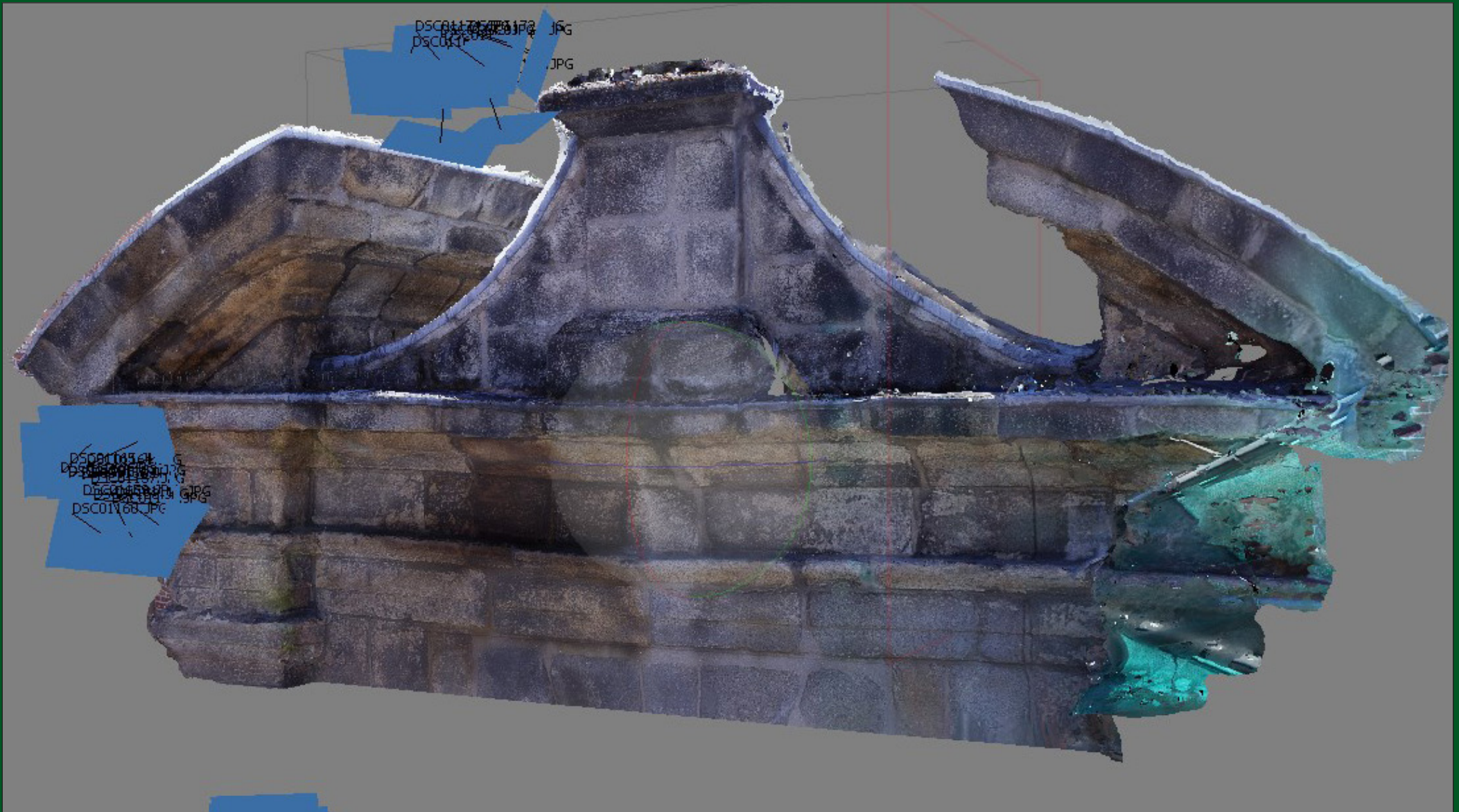


# Detail of the small photomodel from a different angle



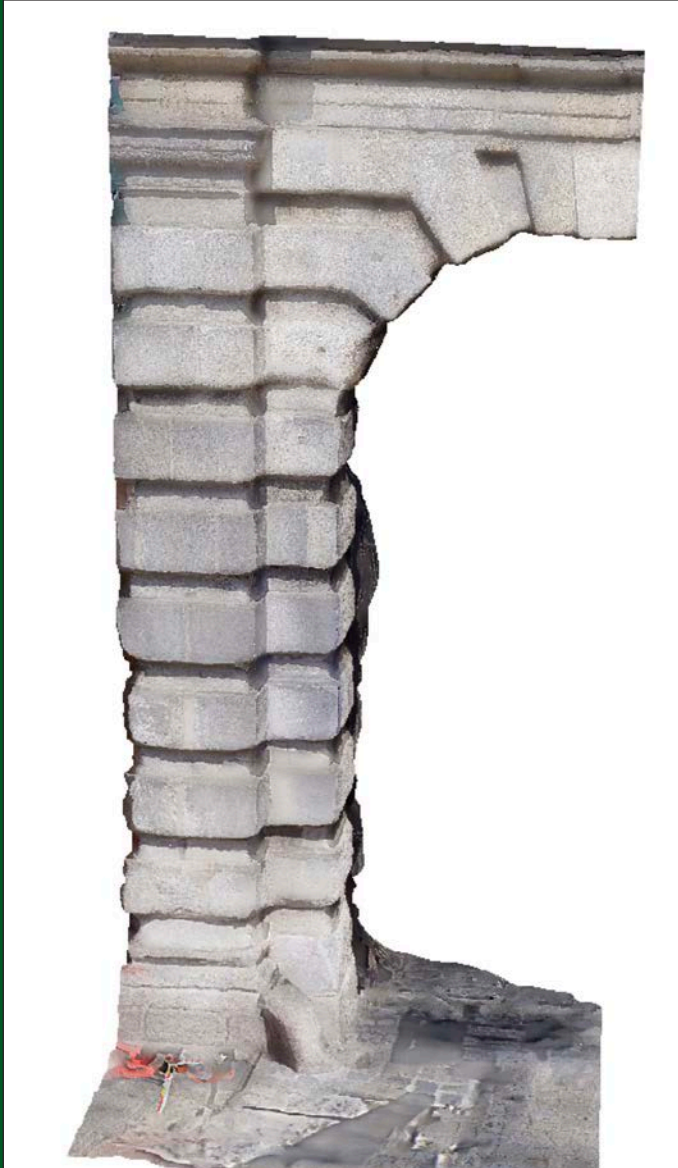


# Photomodel of part of a gateway to Dublin Castle





# Photomodel of one pier of a gateway to Dublin Castle With an enlargement shown on the right





# Enlargement of part of the photomodel looking upwards





When multiple overlapping images  
from a drone survey are combined by software  
they generate a point cloud

Parts of that point cloud can be selected and cut out

Point clouds from downward looking drone surveys  
often contain sufficient information  
to generate outline elevations of buildings  
in the area being surveyed

# Outline point cloud elevation of St Mary's Church Kilkenny generated from a downward looking drone survey





# Outline point cloud elevation of St Canice's Cathedral generated from a downward looking drone survey

