



Local Heritage & Historic Graveyards

Burial grounds are sites of heritage, cultural, religious and personal interest to members of the public. As such, they provide an ideal opportunity to engage the public in built, cultural and natural heritage management at the local level. Historic graveyards also provide Donegal residents, visitors, tourists and our diaspora with an essential link in connecting people to the material heritage of our ancestors. Like Donegal County Council, many community and ecclesiastical groups are involved in managing historic graveyards on the Record of Monuments and Places. There is a need to raise awareness of the built, cultural and natural heritage in historic graveyards so that community groups are equipped to employ best conservation practice in their activities so that the protection afforded these sites under the National Monuments Acts is observed.

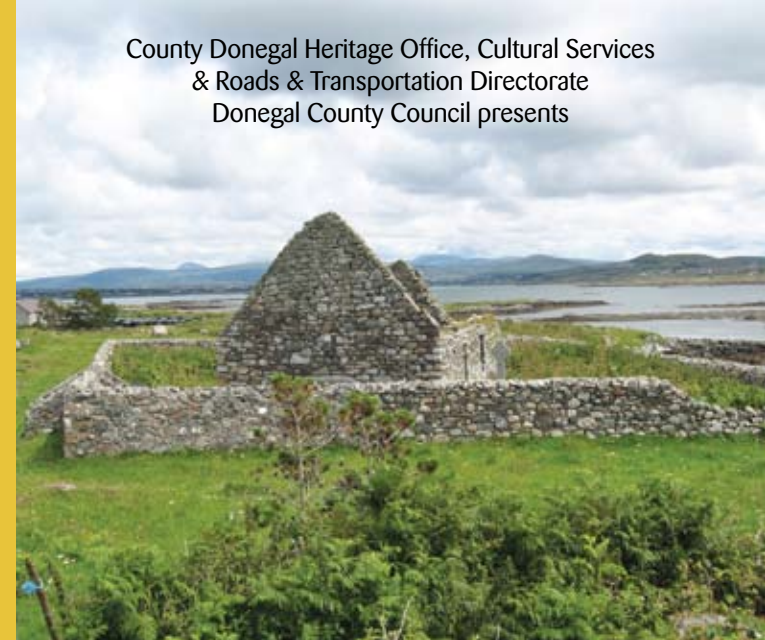
The 'Care & Conservation of Historic Graveyards' seminar is organised by the County Donegal Heritage Office, Cultural Services and the Roads & Transportation Directorate of Donegal County Council in association with the Teampall Cróine Conservation Group & the Peadar O'Donnell Weekend.

BOOKING REQUIRED:

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CARE & CONSERVATION OF HISTORIC GRAVEYARDS FREE SEMINAR

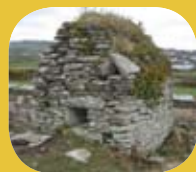
**Ionad an Mhachaire,
An Machaire / Maghery, County Donegal**
Saturday, October 22, 2011:
9:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.



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Did you know . . .

- that many older graveyards are on the Record of Monuments & Places and protected under the National Monuments Acts (1930-2004)?
- that the Roads & Transportation Directorate maintains the historic burial grounds known to be in the care of Donegal County Council?
- that advice is available on the management and care of the built, cultural and natural heritage in graveyards?
- that two months written notice must be given to the National Monuments Service of the Department of Arts, Heritage & the Gaeltacht before any works take place in, or in the vicinity of, historic graveyards?
- that The Heritage Council has produced a free booklet on 'Guidance for the Care, Conservation & Recording of Historic Graveyards' which is available from the County Donegal Heritage Office, Cultural Services, Donegal County Council?



'Care & Conservation of Historic Graveyards' Seminar

SCHEDULE

- 9:00 a.m.** Registration
- 9:30 a.m.** Welcome
Cllr. Noel McBride, Mayor of County Donegal
- 9:40 a.m.** The Dos & Don'ts of Graveyard Maintenance
Victor Buckley, National Monuments Service, Department of Arts, Heritage & the Gaeltacht
- 10:00 a.m.** Cooley Graveyard, Merville
Martin Hopkins, Cooley Cross Heritage Development Committee
- 10:10 a.m.** Graveyards – Full of Life: The Management of Flora, Fauna & Wildlife Habitats
Ralph Sheppard, Donegal Biodiversity Project
- 10:40 a.m.** Symbols of Death – Recording Graveyard Memorials
Caimin O'Brien, Archaeological Survey of Ireland
- 11:10 a.m.** Tea & Coffee
- 11:40 a.m.** Templecrone Historic Graveyard, Termon, Maghery
Nóirín Farren, Teampall Cróine Conservation Group
- 11:50 a.m.** The Conservation of Architectural and Ecclesiastical Ruins
Duncan McLaren, Dedalus Architecture
- 12:20 p.m.** St. Catherine's Church & Graveyard
Hugh Boyle, Killybegs Local Training Initiative
- 12:30 p.m.** The Care of Historic Graveyards – A Local Authority Perspective
Joseph Gallagher, Heritage Officer, Donegal County Council
- 12:50 p.m.** Open Forum – Questions & Answers
- 1:20 p.m.** Lunch: Soup & Sandwiches
- 1:50 p.m.** Site Visit to Templecrone Historic Graveyard, Termon, Maghery

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The seminar is free but booking is required.

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Post:

I would like to: (Please tick as appropriate)

attend the free 'Care & Conservation of Historic Graveyards' seminar

visit Templecrone Historic Graveyard, Termon, Maghery (places are limited)

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Please return the completed Booking Form to:

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Why?

The aims of the seminar are to:

- (i) provide participants with an understanding of the main provisions of legislation, policies and procedures relating to historic graveyards;
- (ii) provide help and advice to those caring for, or interested in conserving, historic graveyards;
- (iii) promote best practice in the management of the built, cultural and natural heritage in historic graveyards; and
- (iv) raise awareness of the rich and diverse heritage found in all historic graveyards.

Where & When?

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Who Should Attend?

The event is aimed at community groups, burial ground committees, heritage groups, historical societies, ecclesiastical groups, 'Tidy Towns' committees, Rural Social Scheme participants, FÁS employees, local authority staff and anyone who has an interest in local heritage and history.

BOOKING FORM