



Freestone Hill. Late Bronze Age hillfort. (I. Doyle)



Standing stone in pasture close to *Leac an Scáil* portal tomb, Kilmogue townland. (J. Eogan)

The Councils of the
City and County of Kilkenny



An Chomhairle Oidhreachta
The Heritage Council



What is the conference about?

The conference will shed light on some of the less well known aspects of county Kilkenny's landscapes and archaeological heritage; it will show how human settlement has shaped the landscape of the county; and explore how we interpret and value our landscape.

Much new information on the settlement of County Kilkenny has come to light as a result of archaeological research in the past two decades. The construction of new motorways in particular has provided archaeologists with the opportunity to investigate parts of the county not previously the subject of archaeological research.

Building on this new information, the conference will examine what makes local landscapes unique at the parish and townland level, and investigate how memories and local vernacular heritage influences our connections to the places we live.

Who should attend?

Anyone with an interest in the heritage, the archaeology, and the landscapes of County Kilkenny and southeast Ireland; members of heritage societies, archaeologists, planners, elected representatives, teachers etc.

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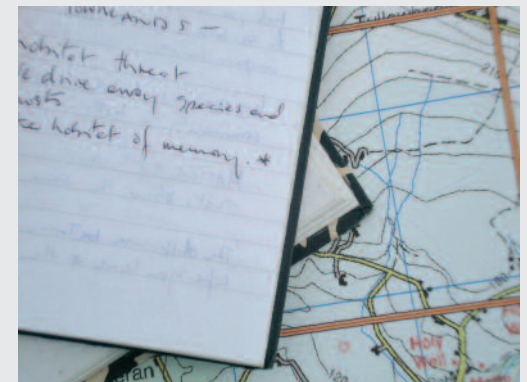
Monuments, Memory and Maps **Discovering Kilkenny's** **Archaeological Landscapes**

Saturday 9th & Sunday 10th
October 2010

Ormonde Hotel
Kilkenny



Bennettsbridge. Bronze Age ringditch with superimposed later medieval square enclosure. (NRA / Airshots.ie)



Townlands. (A. Counihan)

Saturday 9th October 2010

08.30-09.00 Registration

09.00-09.10	Welcome by An Cathaoirleach, Cllr. Catherine Connery
Session 1:	Chaired by James Eogan, Senior Archaeologist, National Roads Authority
09.10-09.30	“Introduction”, Ian Doyle, Head of Conservation, Heritage Council
09.30-09.50	“The Ice Age in Kilkenny”, Dr. Susan Hegarty, Dublin City University
09.50-10.10	“The First Farmers”, Professor Muiris Ó’Súilleabháin, University College Dublin
10.10-10.30	Discussion

10.30-11.00 Tea/Coffee

Session 2:	Chaired by Con Manning, Senior Archaeologist, National Monuments Service, DoEHLG
11.00-11.20	“Early prehistoric settlement in south Kilkenny” Graeme Laidlaw, Archaeologist
11.20-11.40	“The hidden archaeological landscape of Danesfort”, Dr. Richard Jennings, University College Cork
12.00-12.20	“Freestone Hill—prehistoric settlement and cult centre”, by Ragnall Ó Floinn, Head of Collections, National Museum of Ireland
12.20-12.50	Discussion

12.50-14.00 Lunch

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Session 3:	Chaired by Cllr. Ann Phelan, Chair Kilkenny Heritage Forum
14.00-14.20	“Environmental Landscapes”, Dr. Ingelise Stuijts, Discovery Programme
14.20-14.40	“Riverine Landscapes”, Cóilín Ó’Drisceoil, Kilkenny Archaeology
14.40-15.00	“Signs & Signatures in your local landscape” Prof. Patrick Duffy, NUI Maynooth
15.00-15.20	“Townlands. Inhabiting Landscapes”, Alan Counihan, Visual Artist
15.20-16.00	Discussion & Closing Remarks

Sunday 10th October 2010

10.00– 14.00 Field Trip

Places are limited so please indicate on the registration form if you would like to take the field trip. There is no extra charge for the field trip.

For further information on the conference contact:
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ACCOMODATION

For information on accommodation, and on-line booking see www.kilkennytourism.ie. Alternatively phone Kilkenny Tourist Office at 056-7751500.

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Conference Fee: €15
(fee include talks, tea/coffee, light lunch & field trip)

Please tick the relevant box

- I wish to attend Saturday only
- I wish to attend Saturday & Sunday
- I wish to attend Sunday only
- I would like to be included on the Kilkenny Heritage Office mailing list

Registration Details (please use block capitals)

Name: _____

Address: _____

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Payment

I enclose a cheque/bank draft for € ____ payable to Kilkenny County Council
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Advance booking and payment is essential.
Please complete and return this form before 20th September