MAPS & TEXTS

Anglo-Norman, Gaelicised and plantation towns

IHTA SEMINAR ☞ 24 May 2013

This is the second in a set of three of annual seminars intended to explore the workings of the Irish Historic Towns Atlas. This series is running from 2012 to 2014 and will compare towns from a chronological and interdisciplinary perspective. This year the focus will be on towns with Anglo-Norman, Gaelic and plantation origins.

ALL WELCOME
There is no registration fee for this seminar but please RSVP by 16 May 2013 to secure your place. Tel: +353 1 6762570 ext. 207 or email ihtaseminar@ria.ie with the word 'Seminar' in the subject line.

PROGRAMME

10.00–10.30 ▶ Registration and coffee

10.30–12.30 ▶ Welcome — Sarah Gearty. Chairperson — Howard Clarke

- **Anglo-Norman towns based on Gaelic monastic sites** (Downpatrick, Kells, Kildare, Kilkenny Irishtown) — Cóilín Ó Drisceoil
- **Anglo-Norman towns based on castles** (Athlone, Carlingford, Carlow, Carrickfergus, Fethard, Kilkenny Hightown, Mullingar and Trim) — Margaret Murphy
- **Anglo-Norman towns focused on coastal and riverine trading activity** (Dublin, Dundalk, Limerick) — Andy Halpin

12.30–2.00 ▶ Lunch (several restaurants and cafés within walking distance).

2.00–4.00 ▶ Chairperson — Raymond Gillespie

- **Demonstration of Digital atlas of Derry~Londonderry** — Keith Lilley
- **Gaelic townships in the middle ages** (Cavan, Ennis, Longford, Tuam, Sligo) — Brian Ó Dálaigh
- **Colonial towns** (Belfast, Carrickfergus, Derry~Londonderry) — Nick Brannon
- **Plantation towns** (Armagh, Bandon) — Annaleigh Margey

4.00–4.30 ▶ Coffee break

4.30–5.30 ▶ Plenary session: Chairperson — Raghnall Ó Floinn

- **An art-historical perspective on the Irish Historic Towns Atlas** — Rachel Moss
- **Response** — Peter Harbison
- **General discussion**

5.30 ▶ Launch by Professor Rosemary Sweet, University of Leicester of *Maps and texts: exploring the Irish Historic Towns Atlas* (edited by H.B. Clarke and Sarah Gearty) — light refreshments will be served.

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Left: *Carrickfergus*, map 4, *c.* 1560. British Library, Cotton MS Augustus I.ii.42.