

**Newsletter, seventh issue** This is the seventh in a series of annual Irish Historic Towns Atlas (IHTA) newsletters, intended to keep contributors and those associated with the project informed of progress and events.

## DUBLIN, PART II, 1610 to 1756

IHTA no. 19, *Dublin, part II, 1610 to 1756* by Colm Lennon was launched by Lord Mayor Councillor Eibhlín Byrne in Dublin City Hall on Wednesday 3 December. *Dublin, part II* contains details of over 2300 sites with over twenty historical and thematic maps including a composite version of Rocque's *Exact survey of the city and suburbs of Dublin* (1756). Included also is a CD-ROM, which presents the contents of the Dublin atlas in searchable pdf format. The focus of work will now turn to Rob Goodbody who takes the baton from Colm to tackle 'Dublin, part III, 1756 to 1846'. *Dublin, part II* will be launched in Academy House in 2009.



Dublin, 1756 (Rocque)

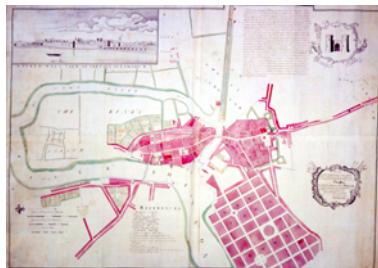


Anngret Simms, Nicholas Canny (President RIA), Lord Mayor Councillor Eibhlín Byrne, Colm Lennon, Howard Clarke, John Tierney (City Manager)



## FORTHCOMING ATLASES

Production of IHTA 'Tuam' by Tony Claffey and IHTA 'Limerick' by Eamon O'Flaherty is well underway and both are to be published in 2009.



Limerick, 1769 (Colles)

## ATLASES IN PROGRESS

Editing progressed on Longford (Sarah Gearty, Martin Morris, Fergus O'Ferrall), Galway (Jacinta Prunty, Paul Walsh), New Ross (Linda Doran) and Carlingford (Harold O'Sullivan). Authors for fascicles on Waterford (Eamon McEneaney, Niamh Crowley), Sligo (Marie-Louise Legg), Ennis (Brian Ó Dalaigh), Cork (Máire Clarke) and Youghal (Tadhg O'Keeffe) are among those that advanced research on their towns/cities.

## ANCILLARY PUBLICATIONS

Production continued on the 'Users' Guide' by Jacinta Prunty. It is envisaged that the guide will be available for teachers and researchers alike.

## IHTA SEMINAR 2009

On 22 May 2009 the IHTA will host the first of three annual one-day seminars to be held 2009 to 2011. The first is entitled 'Maps and texts: working with the Irish Historic Towns Atlas'. The speakers will use the atlas in researching their papers and will carry out analytical and comparative studies. It is hoped that the papers will be translated into a book on the completion of the series of conferences. Attendance will be gratis and

notification of the programme and timetables will be advertised closer to the seminar.

We particularly encourage authors/contributors to attend the seminar as their experience would be most valuable in the discussions. The day will also serve as an opportunity to meet both those directly involved with the project and those in the discipline of urban history.

## SPECIAL OFFERS



All contributors to the project are entitled to buy IHTA publications at a reduced rate. *Dublin, part II* costs €23 while other atlases usually retailing at €30 cost €20. Pocket maps for Dublin, Belfast and New Ross are available for €7. Please contact the publications office in the Royal Irish Academy (or 6762570 or [publications@ria.ie](mailto:publications@ria.ie)).



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## IHTA EDITORS AND STAFF

Earlier in 2008 Anngret Simms, Howard Clarke and Raymond Gillespie welcomed Jacinta Prunty to the editorial board of the IHTA. In the office Sarah Gearty returned from maternity leave in June. Angela Murphy went on maternity leave in July and Jennifer Moore continued to work in the office as editorial assistant in place of Angela. Angela Byrne carried out mapping and editorial work on various atlases as part-time research assistant to the project.



Angela Byrne, Sarah Gearty, Jennifer Moore at the launch of *Dublin, part II* in Dublin City Hall

## FUNDING

This year grants were received from Dublin City Council, Sligo Town Council, the Heritage Council, the Marc Fitch Fund, the Longford Historical Society and Longford Town Council. Mapping support continued from Ordnance Survey Ireland and Land and Property Services (formerly Ordnance Survey Northern Ireland).

## CONFERENCES

### **'European cities in the Middle Ages'**

In October both Anngret Simms and Howard Clarke presented papers at this conference in Vienna.

### **'New thinking in researching the urban past'**

The IHTA hosted a one-day conference in the RIA on 23 May organised by Jacinta Prunty. Speakers ranged from Amsterdam and Belfast to Dublin, Torun and Zagreb. Papers gave perspectives from Croatia to Cromwell as well as Belfast's industrial archaeology and eighteenth-century town planning.

### **'Visual, material, and print culture in nineteenth-century Ireland'**

This year's Society for the Study of Nineteenth-Century Ireland annual conference was held at the University of

Limerick in June. The IHTA panel consisted of papers from Linda Doran on nineteenth-century Catholic buildings of New Ross, Mark Hennessy on Trim in the European context and Jennifer Moore on a cartographic comparison of Limerick and Belfast.

### **New Ross Historical Society**

Linda Doran gave a lecture on New Ross and the atlas to the New Ross Historical Society.

### **Local historical societies**

Papers were also delivered to a number of local historical societies including the Irish Family History Association on the structure and content of the atlas project.

## EUROPEAN SCHEME

To date over 450 towns and cities have now been published under the proviso of the Commission for Historic Towns. Anngret Simms, Howard Clarke and Mary Daly continue to represent the project as members of the International Commission on the History of Towns. For a full list of the European atlases see [www.wien.gv.at/kultur/archiv/kooperationen/lbi/staedteatlas/bibliographie/index.html](http://www.wien.gv.at/kultur/archiv/kooperationen/lbi/staedteatlas/bibliographie/index.html). This site may also be accessed via the IHTA project web page [www.ria.ie/projects/ihta](http://www.ria.ie/projects/ihta) under the 'wider European scheme' link.

## EUROPEAN ASSOCIATION FOR URBAN HISTORY

The 10th international conference on urban history, 'City and Society in European History' will be held in Ghent in 2010. A Call for Sessions has been issued and proposals should be submitted by 1 March 2009. The Call for Papers deadline is 1 October 2009. See [www.eauh2010.ugent.be](http://www.eauh2010.ugent.be) for details.



View from Phoenix Park, 1753 (Tudor)

## Calendar 2009

### **22 January 2009**

Gilbert Lecture

'The civic buildings of early modern Dublin'

by Colm Lennon

Venue: Dublin City Library and Archive, Pearse Street

### **17 February 2009 6.30pm**

IHTA Lecture

'From Speed to Rocque: the growth of early modern Dublin 1610 to 1756'

by Colm Lennon

Venue: National Library of Ireland, Kildare Street

### **Mid-February to mid-March 2009**

IHTA Dublin display

Venue: National Library of Ireland, Kildare Street

### **22 May 2009**

IHTA Seminar

'Maps and texts: working with the Irish Historic Towns Atlas'

Venue: Academy House, Dawson Street

### **2-3 July 2009**

Society for the Study of Nineteenth-Century Ireland

'Science and technology in nineteenth-century Ireland'

IHTA Panel: Jacinta Prunty, Eamon O'Flaherty & Tadhg O'Keeffe

Venue: Academy House, Dawson Street

## IHTA News-Bites

### **NEW ADDITION**

Congratulations to Angela Murphy on her new arrival, Kitty.

### **NEW MEMBER**

Commendations go to to IHTA contributor Steve Royle who was elected as a Member to the Royal Irish Academy.

### **CENTRE FOR URBAN HISTORY (CUH)**

Watch out for the Urban History Newsletter emailed monthly from Leicester. The IHTA appears periodically.

See [www.le.ac.uk/urbanhist/news/uhn/deco8.html](http://www.le.ac.uk/urbanhist/news/uhn/deco8.html) for details and past issues of the CUH newsletter.