

County Longford Graveyard Inventory

Name of Fieldworker & Date of Audit	Jimmy Lennon. June 2005
Name of Graveyard	Abbeylara Cistercian.
Dedication	Saint Patrick
Townland	Abbeylara Village
Parish	Abbeylara
Diocese	Ardagh, Elphin & Kilmore (C of I) and Ardagh & Clonmacnoise (RC)
County	Longford
Nearest National Primary National Secondary or Regional Road	R396
Current Status	Closed
Denomination	RC & C of I
Place of Worship	No
Pattern Day	No
Owner	Longford County Council
Description of Graveyard	Church foundation, Abbey ruins, family burial enclosures, flat and standing memorials
Number of inscribed memorials	75
Date of oldest inscription	<i>Patrick Kiernan July 6th 1741.</i>
Date of latest inscription	<i>Mary Charlotte Newman. 22nd Jan. 2000.</i>
Access	Public.
Access Form	Gravel
Gateways & Stiles	Large wrought iron gate and stone stile.
Wheelchair Access	Yes, from road to Graveyard.
Parking Space	Limited
Pathways	From entrance to Graveyard, none through the Graveyard.
Boundary Type	Stonewall.
Boundary condition	Good condition except for two very large breaches, one very dangerous.
Terrain	Mixed.
Growth of vegetation	Grasses mown. Ivy on ruins
Overall condition	Well maintained except for breaches in boundary wall
Historical Ruins or Artefacts	Monastic ruins, Sheela- Na –Gig & foundation of old C of I church
Directional Signage and its condition	Yes.
Information Panels and their condition	On road outside site, good condition
Signs of vandalism	None
Area Engineer	Longford County Council Sanitary and Environment Dept. Tel. 043- 43356
Recorded in Irish Church Temporalities Report for Period 1869-80	No
RMP Number	LFO11 – 036. Abbey
RPS Number	Not listed
Caretaker & contact number	Terence McCormack Ballyboy,

	Abbeylara (No phone number supplied)
Graveyard Committee & contact number	Parish Council c/o Rev. Michael Campbell, Carra, Granard. 043- 86270
Clergy & contact number	Rev. Michael Campbell, Carra, Granard. 043- 86270
Burial registers & their location and dates	12/6/55 – Sept. 1975 Available at Local Studies Section Longford Library HQ.
Published references & location	<i>The Cistercians Monasteries of Ireland</i> Roger Stalley <i>History of the County Longford</i> By James P. Farrell. 1891 <i>Records Relating to the Diocese of Ardagh and Clonmacnoise</i> By Very Rev. John Canon Monahan D.D. V.F. 1886 <i>Ordnance Survey of the County Longford</i> John O'Donovan 1836-37 <i>History of the Diocese of Ardagh</i> Revd. Dr. James McNamee. 1954. <i>Irish Churches and Monastic Buildings</i> Leask. <i>Teathba</i> Longford Historical Society Publication Dec. 1973. Vol. 1 No. 3. <i>Teathba</i> Longford Historical Society Publication 1969 Vol. 1 No. 1. Dr. Sean Ó Cianáin Field Notes. *Available Local Studies Section. Longford Library HQ.
Memorial inscription documentation	Jimmy Lennon (Rough Proof Only)
Location of transcripts	Curra Creehan, Moydow, Co. Longford.



Abbey



Entrance



Sheelag na Gig



Foundation of Old Building



Entrance



Boundary