

County Longford Graveyard Inventory

Name of Fieldworker & Date of Audit	Jimmy Lennon: Oct. 2005
Name of Graveyard	Shrule Old Graveyard
Dedication	None
Townland	Shrule Glebe
Parish	Shrule
Diocese	Ardagh, Elphin & Kilmore (C of I) and Ardagh & Clonmacnoise (RC)
County	Longford
Nearest National Primary. National Secondary or Regional Road.	N55
Current Status	Part Closed
Graveyard Description	Church Ruins, Burial Enclosures, Wall Monuments, Box Tombs, Upright & Flat Grave Slabs, Stone Font Artefact.
Denomination	RC & C of I
Place of Worship	No
Pattern Day	No
Owner	Longford County Council
Number of inscribed memorials	254
Date of oldest inscription	<i>Willm. Dunn depd. July 25th 1702 aged 68 yrs. Also Catherine Dunn depd. April 19th 1727 aged 72 {rest of inscription underground}</i>
Date of latest inscription	<i>Charles Byrne, Shrule</i>
Access	Public
Access Form	Gravel
Gateways & Stiles	2 wrought iron gates 1 wrought iron 'turnstile' and 1 stone stile
Wheelchair Access	Limited
Parking Space	Yes, at new Graveyard
Pathways	Gravelled from entrance and inside the perimeter wall
Boundary Type	Stonewall
Boundary condition	Good
Terrain	Rough
Growth of vegetation	Grass mown. Mature conifers
Overall condition	Good
Historical Ruins or Artefacts	Ruins of ancient church of Shrule, Stone Font, memorials to a number of Catholic clergy from 'Penal Era', Carved 'Trade Symbolism' {Ploughman, Surveyor & Blacksmith}
Directional Signage and its condition	Yes, to grave of the parents of 'poet John Keegan {Leo} Casey'. Good condition
Information Panels and their condition	As above
Signs of vandalism	None
Area Engineer	Longford County Council Sanitary and Environment Dept.

	Tel. 043- 43356
RMP Number	LFO26 – 019 Church Site & Graveyard Possible
RPS Number	Not listed
Caretaker & contact number	Patrick Lloyd, Ballymulvey, Ballymahon, Co. Longford. 090 643 2470
Graveyard Committee & contact number	Barney Steele. 09064 32407. Mobile. 087 2792153
Clergy & contact number	Rev. Padraig McGowan. Ballymahon. 090 64 32253
Burial registers & their location and dates	Copy with Longford County Council. 26/9/1944 to present. Available at Local Studies Section Longford Library HQ. Church of Ireland records at RCB Library Dublin. 01 4923979
Published references & location	<i>History of the County Longford</i> By James P. Farrell. 1891 <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>'Cashel of the Hills' {Re Father Donnelly}</i> Seamus O Cathasaigh. <i>Annals of Westmeath</i> <i>{Re- Rev. Daniel Mulleady's grave in this Graveyard}</i> James Woods. <i>The Rising of the Moon and other Ballads</i> John Keegan {Leo} Casey. <i>"Tell me Sean O Farrell"</i> Casey & Cahill. 2002. Dr. Sean Ó Cianáin Field Notes. {re- Murtagh family and Shrule Graveyard} All of the above available at Local Studies Section Longford Library HQ. <i>Mason Parochial Report</i>

	<i>Statistical Report</i> Rev. John Graham 1815 – 1819 Local Studies Section Mullingar Library Mullingar, Co. Westmeath
Memorial inscription documentation	Yes. June 1997 (Rough Proof Only)
Location of transcripts	Jimmy Lennon, Curracreehan, Moydow, Co. Longford.

Shrle (Old) Cemetery



One of the Entrance Gates



Burial Enclosure (Dowdall) and perhaps remains of old Ecclesiastical Building



Burial Enclosure (Evers) and perhaps remains of old Ecclesiastical Building



Sign



Poet (John Keegan {Leo} Casey) Parent's Grave



Ploughman's Grave memorial



Overview of part of Cemetery



RMP Map.