

SM7/DOWN 9:20

BALLYNEEL: Enclosure

BALLYKEEL: Rath/enclosure (site of)
CS 9; IG

400ft + OD
IGR

The landowner noted that this site was removed some 15-20 years ago. Although there are no upstanding visible remains, the area is distinctly flat and platform like. Taking this into account in conjunction with its location on top of a hill with the ground falling immediately on all sides, it would have been an impressive location for a rath.

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SMR Down 9:20	Td BALLYKEEL	Type RATH / Enclosure	
A No.	Site Name	Parish	Alt 400 ft +
IG	GR	Barony	DC

OS

NB
former notes finally removed
15-20 yrs ago

Condition destroyed	Threat	Check/Action	Schedule
Land use unproved grassland		Field boundaries	
Site description		Photos? —	

as with many raths in the area it has utilized the naturally rolling hilly topography. Sited on the top of a hill, ground falling immediately on all sides with ground of similar height in distance. Although no visible upstanding remains, area is noticeably level and platform like. Excellent location for rath.

OVER

Visited by OR	Date of visit 4/12/91	SM.2	Input
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FIELD RECORD

SITE NO	Td.	TYPE	ALT.
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O.S. 6"
I.G. Down 9:20 BALLYKEEL

Enclosure

PREVIOUS ACCOUNTS

GRID REF.

1. undesignated sub-circular enclosure.
2. 'site of fort'
- 3+4 undesignated circle of hachures.

THREATS AND/OR CHECKS

FURTHER ACTION

SITE REPORT

CONDITION

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