

# COLERAINE 400

EXPLORING THE HISTORIC TOWN CENTRE



**COLERAINE**<sup>1613-2013</sup>**400**

*Celebrating 400 years of Coleraine's town charter*

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## HERITAGE TRAIL

Four hundred years ago Coleraine played a key role in the County Londonderry Plantation. On 28 June 1613 King James I granted Coleraine its charter. The Coleraine 400 Heritage Trail reveals the hidden history of 17th-century Coleraine when the fortified town was built on this ancient site.

### DID YOU KNOW?



Coleraine Port was key to controlling trade with Britain and America and the River Bann was a gateway to the world!

## DISCOVER...

- why Coleraine streets today are laid out the way they are
- where a 17th-century imported chamber pot and fine Venetian beer glass were found
- where medieval remains were found around the town
- the likely resting place for 2000 victims of the 1642 plague
- the origins of our local council

Excavations in 1983 at New Row revealed imported goods such as this chamber pot from Stoke-on-Trent. *Image courtesy of NIEA*



To find out more about the Coleraine 400 Heritage Trail please contact Leisure Services on **028 7034 7234**, email [cms@colerainebc.gov.uk](mailto:cms@colerainebc.gov.uk) or visit [www.niarchive.org](http://www.niarchive.org) where you will also find information on planned events and guided tours.

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**IMAGES ON FRONT** Map of Coleraine in 1622 by Thomas Raven, showing the street layout which still remains today. *Courtesy of Lambeth Palace Archives.*

Queen Anne Mace of 1702 presented to the Coleraine Town Commissioners by The Honourable The Irish Society as compensation for lands.