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Sound files of Co. Antrim placenames now available on logainm.ie

Visitors to www.logainm.ie can now listen to sound files that have been added to 600 placenames in Co. Antrim. Sound files in Irish and English have been added to the names of the baronies, civil parishes, electoral districts and towns as well as the names of some physical features. Sound files for the 26 counties were completed in 2015 and the placenames of Co. Down were recorded in 2019. Pat McKay from Randalstown did the sound recordings for the placenames in Co. Antrim. It is hoped that these sound files will provide a guide to the local pronunciation of placenames both for researchers and the public.

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www.logainm.ie is a website which provides the official Irish-language names of over 126,500 districts, towns, streets and post offices throughout the country. It attracts up to 40,000 visitors per month.

Students, teachers, journalists, translators and others who need the authoritative Irish form of placenames can find them easily by searching on www.logainm.ie. The site is also of interest to people worldwide who are interested in the heritage, culture and geography of Ireland.

Work on www.logainm.ie is ongoing and more placenames and new interactive features are added to the website on a regular basis. The toponymic database itself is being redesigned this year..

Note for editors:

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