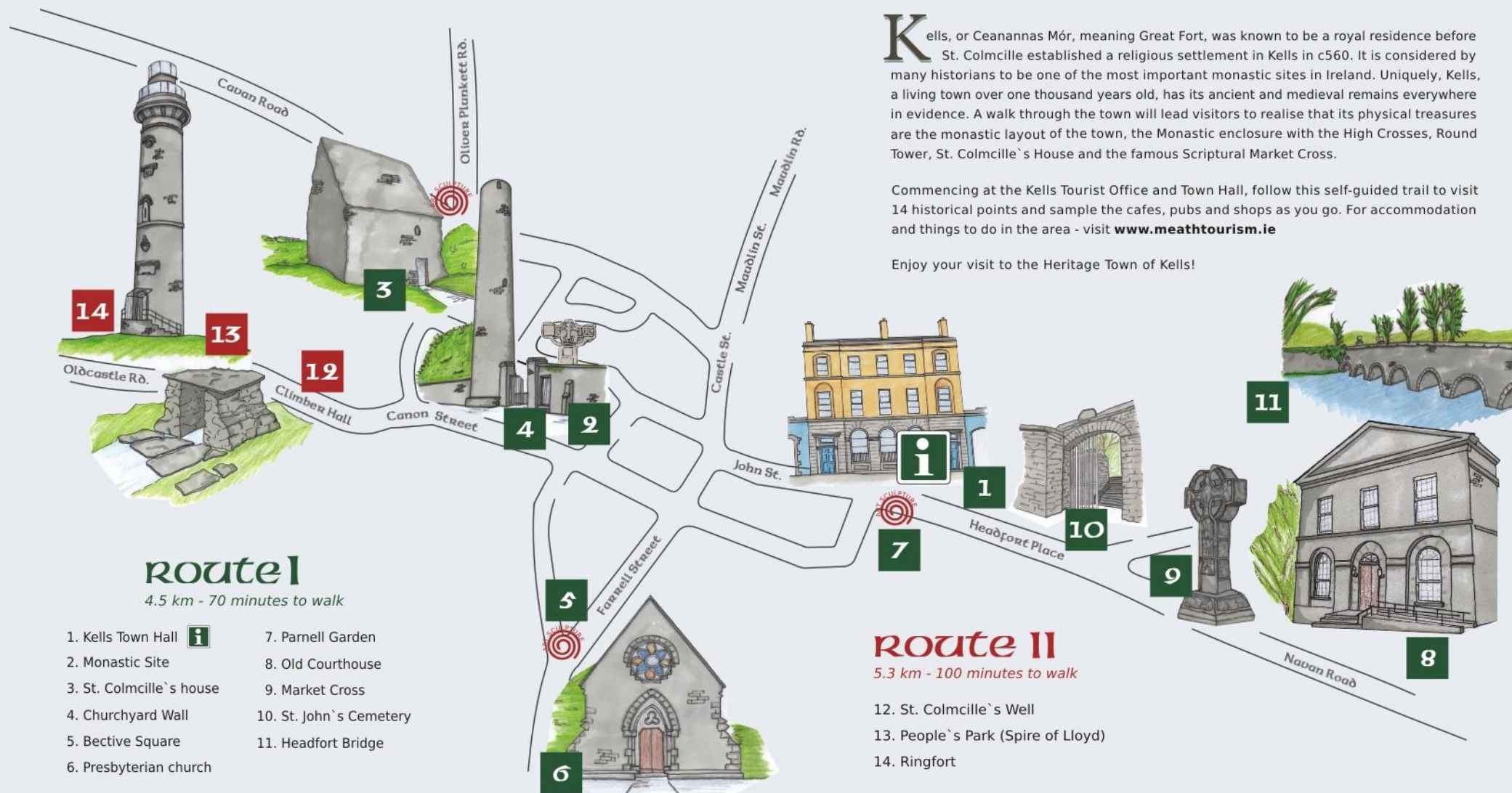




KELLS HISTORIC TRAIL



County Meath, Boyne Valley, Ireland




Kells, or Ceanannas Mór, meaning Great Fort, was known to be a royal residence before St. Colmcille established a religious settlement in Kells in c560. It is considered by many historians to be one of the most important monastic sites in Ireland. Uniquely, Kells, a living town over one thousand years old, has its ancient and medieval remains everywhere in evidence. A walk through the town will lead visitors to realise that its physical treasures are the monastic layout of the town, the Monastic enclosure with the High Crosses, Round Tower, St. Colmcille's House and the famous Scriptural Market Cross.

Commencing at the Kells Tourist Office and Town Hall, follow this self-guided trail to visit 14 historical points and sample the cafes, pubs and shops as you go. For accommodation and things to do in the area - visit www.meathtourism.ie

Enjoy your visit to the Heritage Town of Kells!

route I

4.5 km - 70 minutes to walk

- 1. Kells Town Hall 
- 2. Monastic Site
- 3. St. Colmcille's house
- 4. Churchyard Wall
- 5. Bective Square
- 6. Presbyterian church
- 7. Parnell Garden
- 8. Old Courthouse
- 9. Market Cross
- 10. St. John's Cemetery
- 11. Headfort Bridge

route II

5.3 km - 100 minutes to walk

- 12. St. Colmcille's Well
- 13. People's Park (Spire of Lloyd)
- 14. Ringfort