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CLONTARF CASTLE

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'meadow of the bull'





the name 'Clontarf'
derives from the term
cluain tarbh, meaning
"meadow of the bull". . .

Etymology suggest that the sound the waves, as they beat along the shells and sands of the coastline resembled the bellowing of a bull. It is said the roar of the tide on the sandbanks filled Dublin Bay.

As you explore the Castle you will see many art pieces referencing the bull. One of which is, "Bull in the Headland" by Deirdre McClorey commissioned by the Castle, this captures the quirky story behind the Viking town of Clontarf.

