

## **Sovereigns of Kilkenny**

Medieval Ireland from Norman times was ruled by Feudal Order. There was both an Urban and a Territorial hierarchy. Some settlements like Kinsale were governed by a Sovereign, whereas larger growth centres like Kilkenny replaced this with a Mayor. The latter was ruled by a Chief Magistrate before 1231. From 1282 until 1608 it was a Sovereign and thence a Mayor. The following are members of our Clan who rose to prominence in this City.

1493 Robertus Shee  
1494 Robert Shee  
1496 Robert Shee  
1522 Richard Shee  
1524 Thomas Shee  
1530 Thomas Shee  
1532 Richard Shee  
1543 Robert Shee  
1548 William Shee  
1569 Richard Shee  
1572 Helias Shee  
1579 Peter Shee  
1581 Robert Shee  
1583 Arthur Shee  
1584 Arthur Shee (was Deputy to Rich. Ragget)  
1586 Arthur Shee  
1591 Arthur Shee  
1594 Helias Shee  
1595 Henry Shee  
1599 Helias Shee  
1600 Henry Shee  
1602 LUKE Shee  
1607 Edward Shee

## **Mayors of the City of Kilkenny**

1610 Henry Shee  
1614 Edward Shee  
1615 Luke Shee  
1616 4 removed for not taking *Oath of Supremacy* but no Shees in list  
1618 William Shee  
1623 Thomas Shee  
1625 William Shee  
1630 John Shea  
1631 Marcus Shee  
1632 William Shee  
1633 Robert Shee  
1638 George Shee  
1640 George Shee  
1644 Peter Shee  
1647 Richard Shea  
1650 Elias Shee  
1651 Elias Shee  
1653 Elias Shee

## **New Order**

1904 Edward O'Shea  
1905 Edward O'Shea