REVEALED: LIMERICK OF 1,000 YEARS AGO

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THE SITE of an ancient habitation where Limerick people lived and played over a thousand years ago will be transformed into an amenity area at Ballysteen Heights housing estate, near the Regional Hospital.

The site is known as Slagbury ring fort, and excavations began there last year by Dr. Elizabeth Shee, of University College, Cork, who was leading an international team of experts. The site has been richly rewarding, and substantial remains of earthworks and structures have been found there.

The site is located on a rise overlooking the River Shannon, and is about half a mile from the town center. It was once a significant settlement, and has been the subject of several archaeological surveys.

Dr. Shee and her team of experts have been working on the site for several years, and have uncovered a wealth of information about the lives of the people who lived there.

The site is now being developed as a public amenity area, and will feature a visitor center, a picnic area, and a nature trail. The site will be open to the public from April 1 to November 30, and will be managed by the National Monuments Service.

The site is a significant archaeological find, and will help to bring the history of Limerick to life for future generations.