

## Section D: Checklist of Essential Sources

**All the following should be searched** for evidence relating to the parish/township under study. Remember that by no means all of these sources will yield information about a particular place – even ‘standard’ sources, such as Tithe Plans, were not produced for all parishes – and that other sources, not specifically mentioned below, may well prove vital to unlock the history of your chosen parish or township.

### 1. Preliminary finding aids

**The initial task should be to construct a bibliography of sources additional to those listed in subsequent sections of this checklist.** Search by the name of the parish/township you are studying (Note, though, that it will sometimes also be necessary to search under the name of settlements within the parish/township, where the name of a significant settlement is not the same as that of the administrative unit, e.g. Burneside, which is part of Strickland Ketel township).

TNA Catalogue	<a href="http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/catalogue/">http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/catalogue/</a>
CASCAT	<a href="http://www.archiveweb.cumbria.gov.uk/CalmView/default.aspx">http://www.archiveweb.cumbria.gov.uk/CalmView/default.aspx</a>
Manorial Documents Register	<a href="http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/mdr/">http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/mdr/</a>
<i>Transactions of CWAAS</i>	Can be searched from 1866 to present to varying degrees of depth online at <a href="http://cumbriapast.com/cgi-bin/ms/main.pl?action=transindex">http://cumbriapast.com/cgi-bin/ms/main.pl?action=transindex</a>
Historic Environment Records	The Heritage Gateway website ( <a href="http://www.heritagegateway.org.uk/gateway/">http://www.heritagegateway.org.uk/gateway/</a> ) provides searchable access to (inter alia) Lake District National Park Historic Environment Record and the National Monuments Record (which can also be searched by place at <a href="http://www.pastscape.org.uk/mapsearch.aspx">http://www.pastscape.org.uk/mapsearch.aspx</a> )
British History Online	<a href="http://www.british-history.ac.uk/">http://www.british-history.ac.uk/</a> - search using ‘Text Search’ facility.

### 2. Maps, Plans and Surveys

Ordnance Survey Six-Inch (1:10,560) maps	Check all available editions from c1860 to modern times
18th-century county maps:	Thomas Donald, <i>Historic Map of</i>

	<i>Cumberland, 1774</i> (CWAAS Record Series XV, 2002); Thomas Jeffery, <i>Historic Map of Westmorland, 1770</i> (CWAAS Record Series XIV, 2001)
Tithe plans and apportionments	CAS, DRC/8
Enclosure awards	Cumberland: CAS, QRE/1; Westmorland: CAS, WQ/R1
Geological Survey maps	One-Inch maps, both Solid and (particularly) Drift; British Geological Survey website <a href="http://www.bgs.ac.uk">www.bgs.ac.uk</a> ; Soilscapes website <a href="http://www.landis.org.uk/soilscapes/">www.landis.org.uk/soilscapes/</a>
Inland Revenue 1910 'Domesday Book' and plans	Cumberland: CAS, TIR/4; Westmorland: WTDV/2
National Farm Survey	TNA, MAF 32

### 3. Contemporary Descriptions

Leland	<i>The Itinerary of John Leland</i> , ed. L. Toulmin Smith (London, 1964)
Camden	William Camden, <i>Britain, or a Chorographical Description of ... England, Scotland and Ireland</i> , trans. P. Holland (London, 1610).
Fleming	Sir Daniel Fleming's 'Description of Cumberland, Westmorland and Furness' (1671) in E. Hughes (ed), <i>Fleming-Senhouse Papers</i> (1961), pp. 3-64
Thomas Denton	<i>Thomas Denton: a Perambulation of Cumberland 1687-1688, including descriptions of Westmorland, The Isle of Man and Ireland</i> , ed. A. J. L. Winchester with M. Wane. Surtees Society Vol. 207 and CWAAS Record Series Vol. XVI (Woodbridge, 2003)
Thomas Machell's account of south Westmorland, 1692	<i>Antiquary on Horseback</i> , ed. Jane M. Ewbank (1963)
Celia Fiennes	C. Morris (ed.), <i>The Illustrated Journeys of Celia Fiennes 1685-c.1712</i> (1982)
Daniel Defoe	Daniel Defoe, <i>A Tour through the Whole Island of Great Britain</i> (1724-6; Penguin edition, 1971)
Hutchinson (Housman's Notes)	'Notes' at the foot of the page in William Hutchinson's <i>History of Cumberland</i> (1794)
Housman	John Housman, <i>Topographical Description of Cumberland, Westmorland, Lancashire and part of the</i>

	<i>West Riding of Yorkshire</i> (Carlisle, 1800),
Travellers' accounts	including accounts of Lake District tourists since later 18th cent. See also: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>An American Quaker in the British Isles: the travel journals of Jabez Maude Fisher, 1775-1779</i>, ed. K. Morgan (British Academy, 1992)</li> <li>• <i>R.R. Angerstein's Illustrated Travel Diary, 1753-1755: Industry in England</i>, ed. T and P Berg (2001)</li> </ul>
Lysons, <i>Magna Britannia</i> , Vol. 4 (Cumberland)	Available on British History Online
Trade Directories (from Parson & White, 1829 to mid-20th cent)	Many of 19th-cent directories are available at <a href="http://www.historicaldirectories.org">www.historicaldirectories.org</a>
Cumbrian Regional Plan	P. Abercrombie and S A Kelly, <i>Cumbrian Regional Planning Scheme</i> (1932)

## 4. Administrative Records

### 4.1 Central government

PRO Calendars	The indexes to the following calendars should be searched: <i>Rotuli Chartarum 1199-1216</i> [available on Google Books] <i>Calendar of Charter Rolls</i> , 6 vols <i>Calendar of Inquisitions Post Mortem</i> [26 vols covering 1236-1447] <i>Calendar of Inquisitions Post Mortem Henry VII</i> , 3 vols <i>Calendar of Miscellaneous Inquisitions</i> [8 vols, covering 1219-1485] <i>Calendar of Patent Rolls</i> (searchable online for period 1216-1452: <a href="http://www.uiowa.edu/~acadtech/patentrolls/">http://www.uiowa.edu/~acadtech/patentrolls/</a> ) <i>Calendar of Fine Rolls</i> (searchable online for reign of Henry III: <a href="http://www.frh3.org.uk/">http://www.frh3.org.uk/</a> )
Protestation returns	Cumberland: Parliamentary Archives, HL/PO/JO/10/1/82 (photocopies available) Westmorland: M. A. Faraday (ed.), <i>The Westmorland Protestation Returns 1641/2</i> , CWAAS Tract Series XVII (Kendal, 1971).
Census	Enumerators' books, 1841-1911
Religious Census, 1851	TNA, HO129. Available online at: <a href="http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/documentsonline/digital-microfilm.asp">http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/documentsonline/digital-microfilm.asp</a>

Taxation	Search the 'E179' database for taxation records in TNA, which include Lay Subsidies, Poll Tax and Hearth Tax: <a href="http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/e179/">http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/e179/</a> Some taxation records for Cumbria are in print, as follows:
	J. P. Steel, <i>Cumberland Lay Subsidy</i> (Kendal, 1912)
	C. C. Fenwick (ed.), <i>The Poll Taxes of 1377, 1379 and 1381; part 2, Lincolnshire-Westmorland</i> (British Academy, 2001) [partial survival for barony of Westmorland only]
	C Phillips, C Ferguson & A Wareham (eds), <i>Westmorland Hearth Tax Michaelmas 1670 and Surveys 1674-5</i> (British Record Society and CWAAS, 2010)
Land Tax	Cumberland: CAS, Q/RP/1; Westmorland: CAS, WQ/RLT

**4.2 Local government.** Many of the catalogues of holdings in CAS can be accessed online through the guides on CAS website, as detailed below:

Parish administration	For detailed lists of records held by CAS see <a href="http://www.cumbria.gov.uk/archives/Online_catalogues/Ecclesiastical/parish.asp">http://www.cumbria.gov.uk/archives/Online_catalogues/Ecclesiastical/parish.asp</a> (for ecclesiastical parishes) and <a href="http://www.cumbria.gov.uk/archives/Online_catalogues/official/pcs.asp">http://www.cumbria.gov.uk/archives/Online_catalogues/official/pcs.asp</a> (for parish councils since 1894)
Urban Districts, Municipal Boroughs, etc	For detailed lists of records held by CAS check the following <a href="http://www.cumbria.gov.uk/archives/Online_catalogues/official.asp">http://www.cumbria.gov.uk/archives/Online_catalogues/official.asp</a> Consult the lists under each of the relevant headings.
Quarter Sessions	The catalogues of Quarter sessions records can be accessed through: <a href="http://www.cumbria.gov.uk/archives/Online_catalogues/public/qs.asp">http://www.cumbria.gov.uk/archives/Online_catalogues/public/qs.asp</a>
Schools	For detailed lists of records of individual schools see <a href="http://www.cumbria.gov.uk/archives/Online_catalogues/official/schools.asp">http://www.cumbria.gov.uk/archives/Online_catalogues/official/schools.asp</a> and for School Board records, see <a href="http://www.cumbria.gov.uk/archives/Online_catalogues/official/sb.asp">http://www.cumbria.gov.uk/archives/Online_catalogues/official/sb.asp</a>
Common Land Registers	Held by Commons Registration Officer, Cumbria County Council. Summary data available on searchable online database at: <a href="http://common-land.com/">http://common-land.com/</a>

#### 4.3 Religious administration

Episcopal Acta, Carlisle	<i>English Episcopal Acta 30: Carlisle 1133-1292</i> , ed. D. M. Smith (Oxford, 2005).
Papal taxation, 1291	<i>Taxatio Ecclesiastica Angliae et Walliae, auctoritate Papae Nicholas IV circa 1291</i> , ed. T. Astle and J. Caley (RC, 1802): <a href="http://www.hrionline.ac.uk/taxatio">www.hrionline.ac.uk/taxatio</a>

Papal letters	<i>Calendar of entries in the papal registers relating to Great Britain and Ireland: Papal Letters</i> , ed. W H Bliss and others, 14 vols. (HMSO, 1893-1960). Now fully on-line at: <a href="http://www.british-history.ac.uk/catalogue.aspx?type=3&amp;gid=150">www.british-history.ac.uk/catalogue.aspx?type=3&amp;gid=150</a>
Diocesan administration	The catalogues of diocesan records held by CAS can be accessed through <a href="http://www.cumbria.gov.uk/archives/Online_catalogues/Ecclesiastical/diocesan.asp">http://www.cumbria.gov.uk/archives/Online_catalogues/Ecclesiastical/diocesan.asp</a>
Bishops' registers	Carlisle diocese, 1292-1972: CAS, DRC 1.
	Medieval registers in print: <i>John Halton 1292-1324</i> ed. W N Thompson (CYS vols 12, 13, 1913) <i>John Kirkby 1332-52 and John Ross 1325-32</i> ed. R L Storey (CYS vols 79 and 81, 1993-5) <i>Gilbert Welton 1353-62</i> ed. R L Storey (CYS vol 88, 1999) <i>Thomas Appleby 1363-95</i> ed. R L Storey (CYS vol 96, 2006)
Visitation records (Carlisle diocese)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CAS, DRC 5</li> <li>• William Nicolson, <i>Miscellany Accounts of the Diocese of Carlile: with the Terriers Delivered to Me at My Primary Visitation</i> (1877)</li> <li>• 'The Diocesan Book of Walter Fletcher, Chancellor of Carlisle Diocese, 1814-46' (TS transcript available).</li> </ul>
Visitation records (Chester diocese)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lancs Archives, ARR/15; Cheshire Record Office, EDA 6; EDV 7</li> <li>• <i>The Cumbria Parishes 1714-1725 from Bishop Gastrell's Notitia, with additions by Bishop Porteous 1778-1779</i>, ed. L.A.S. Butler, CWAAS Record Series Vol. XII (Kendal, 1998)</li> </ul>
Metropolitan Visitations	Borthwick Institute, York: Carlisle diocese 1693/4; Chester diocese 1571-1694
Nonconformist admin records	Lists of records for each denomination held by CAS can be accessed through: <a href="http://www.cumbria.gov.uk/archives/Online_catalogues/ecclesiastical.asp">http://www.cumbria.gov.uk/archives/Online_catalogues/ecclesiastical.asp</a>

#### **4.4 Landholding Records (see also Maps, Plans and Surveys, above)**

Book of Fees (or <i>Testa de Nevill</i> )	<i>The Book of Fees</i> ed C. G. Crump and others, (3 vols, London, 1920-1931)
Feet of fines	F. H. M. Parker, 'A calendar of the Feet of Fines for Cumberland, from their commencement to the accession

	of Henry VII', CW2, 7 (1907), pp. 215-61.
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## 5. Other essential printed sources

M Hyde & N Pevsner, <i>Cumbria</i> (Buildings of England series, 2010)
<i>John Denton's History of Cumberland</i> , ed. A. J. L. Winchester. Surtees Society Vol. 213 and CWAAS Record Series Vol. XX (Woodbridge, 2010)
C. Roy Hudleston and R.S. Bournemouth, <i>Cumberland Families and Heraldry</i> , CWAAS Extra Series XXIII (Kendal, 1978).
R.S. Bournemouth, C.Roy Hudleston and J. Hughes, <i>An Armorial for Westmorland and Lonsdale</i> , Kendal: Lake District Museum Trust and CWAAS Extra Series XXI, 1975.
B. Nightingale, <i>The Ejected of 1662 in Cumberland and Westmorland</i> , 2 vols. (Manchester, 1911)
David M. Butler, <i>The Quaker Meeting Houses of Britain</i> , 2 vols (London, 1999)
<i>The Church Notes of Sir Stephen Glynne in Cumbria 1833-1872</i> , ed. L.A.S. Butler, CWAAS Extra Series Vol. XXXVI (Kendal, 2011)
<i>Vital Statistics: the Westmorland 'Census' of 1787</i> , ed. Loraine Ashcroft (1992)
D R Perriam & J Robinson, <i>The Medieval Fortified Buildings of Cumbria</i> (CWAAS Extra Series XXIX, 1998)
A.M. Armstrong, A. Mawer, F.M. Stenton and Bruce Dickens, <i>The Place-Names of Cumberland</i> , English Place-Name Society Vols XX-XXII (Cambridge, 1950-52).
A. H. Smith, <i>The Place-Names of Westmorland</i> , English Place-Name Society Vols XLII-XLIII (Cambridge, 1967).
D. Whaley, <i>Dictionary of Lake District Place-Names</i> , English Place-Name Society Regional Series 1 (Nottingham, 2006).

## 6. Other online sources

Community and parish plans	for a list, see <a href="http://www.cumbriaaction.org.uk/images/uploads/Parish_Plans_Gazette_October_2004.pdf">http://www.cumbriaaction.org.uk/images/uploads/Parish_Plans_Gazette_October_2004.pdf</a> . Those for Carlisle District are available in full at: <a href="http://www.carlisle.gov.uk/business/rural_communities/community_and_parish_plans.aspx">http://www.carlisle.gov.uk/business/rural_communities/community_and_parish_plans.aspx</a>
Church of England clergy database	<a href="http://www.theclergydatabase.org.uk">http://www.theclergydatabase.org.uk</a>
Commons Commissioners' adjudications	Alphabetical list at <a href="http://www.acraew.org.uk/index.php?page=cumbria">http://www.acraew.org.uk/index.php?page=cumbria</a>

**And finally, two sources which must not be forgotten!**

Google	A place-name search can yield a wealth of leads!
Local knowledge	Talking to people who have lived in the place under study for some time can both provide essential information about changes within living memory and also uncover local archive sources which remain in private hands.