

## Ancient Monuments in this township

### ULVERSTON AND OSMOTHERLEY

#### *Barrows,*

- (a) one long and two round, E. of Far Mountbarrow, existing 1895 (B.N.F.C. xi, 16).
- (b) Enclosure (now destroyed) on Osmotherley common (Barber, *Prehistoric Remains, Furness and Cartmel*, 20).

#### *Churches :*

- (a) St. Mary's, Ulverston. 12th cent. doorway; church rebuilt c.1540 ; and except the tower rebuilt 1804 and 1866. Tablet to W. Dobson d. 1503. Brass of Myles Dodding and family, 1606 (o.s. xiii, 148). Canopy and effigy of Myles Dodding, 1629 (o.s. xv, 454; N.S. iv, 141). Modern tomb to W. Sandys, d.1558
- (b) St. Mary's, R.C., 1823.
- (c) Holy Trinity, 1832. St. John the Evangelist, Osmotherley, modern.
- (d) Independent chapel, 1778, enlarged 1848
- (e) Conishead Priory of St. Mary, founded 1180-87 for Augustinian canons, rebuilt 1777-1821 as mansion of the Braddylls. Hermitage in the grounds a 19th cent. " folly," possibly including earlier remains (N.s. iii, 72).
- (f) Remains of chapel on Harlside or Chapel Island existed late 18th cent.; additions of 1823 (B.N.F.C. xvii, 48, 50). Bell of 1604 (F. C. Cheetham, *Trans. Lane. and C. Soc. xl*).

#### *Domestic:*

- (a) Nevill Hall, manor-house of de Nevills; a police station in 1870.
- b) Osmotherley old Hall.
- (c) Swarthmoor Hall, 17th cent. house of Fells, enlarged by the Abrahams 18th cent. Jacobean staircase; relics of George Fox.
- (d) Meeting-house, built 1688-90, windows inserted 1829 (Canon Ayre, o.s. ix, 398; J. F. Curwen, N.S. vi, 315; H. Gaythorpe, N.S. Vi, 237)
- (e) Dragley Beck, cottage with lintel 1649 ? Birthplace of Sir John Barrow, 1764 (B.N.F.C. xvii, 50 -51). Barrow monument on Hoad Hill, built 1850.

*Site :* camp of Martin Schwarz, 1487, on Swarthmoor.

*Old road* across the sands to the White Thorn and to Dalton by the Red Lane or the Street; paved way found 1774 (West, *Furness*, 9; o.s. iii, 71; Watkin, *Rom. Lane.* 85).

*Canal*, 1794.

#### *Finds*

- (a) Stone celt found near Ulverston (o.s. xv, 166).

- (b) Stone celt found near Conishead priory (B.N.F.C. xvii, 210).
- (c) Diorite celt from Ulverston district, at Peel Park museum, Manchester (H. S. Cowper, o.s. ix, 204).
- (d) Stone axe-hammer found 1868 at Oubas Cottage (o.s. xv, 167).
- (e) Bronze Celt found at Kirkdale (H. S. Cowper, o.s. ix, 204).
- (f) Bronze spearhead, ? from Ulverston (H. S. Cowper, N.S. vii, 39).
- (g) Bronze armlet, Hallstatt period, from Furness (*ibid.*, 40).
- (h) Roman coin found c. 1800 near Conishead (Evans, *Furness and Furness Abbey*, 119).
- (i) Roman coins found in the town and below the mill (Baines, *Lanes.*, iv, 686)

See [Pastscape](#) for much more detail on these and more entries (144 in total – though there may be some overlap with other townships).