## Historical versions of the placename of the township of Parton

The source book quotes Parton as so named in 1794. This is plainly incorrect.

Camden, William "Britannia" (first published 1586) refers to it (though misspelled as Barton) and also for early speculation about the Roman harbour.

There was a dispute between Sir Thomas Lamplugh MP and Sir John Lowther in 1695 about rebuilding of the pier.[History of Parliament Online- Sir Thomas Lamplugh]

There was a Parton Harbour Act passed in 1705. [Whitehaven Record Office (ref. DH532/1).]

There are references in such as Parson & White "Directory of Cumberland & Westmorland" (1829) that Parton "is more ancient than Whitehaven, and the military have their route designated 'to Parton' when Whitehaven is intended as their quarters" – but source evidence for this statement has not yet been found.

D. Bradbury has produced a series of booklets about the history of Parton -

Parton Part one By D. Bradbury. ISBN 1-904367-04-6. 56 pages A5, with B/W maps etc. His sources are fully recorded on http://www.pastpresented.info/cumbria/parton/