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Administration

[Membership Form 2018](#)

[CCHT Trustees list June 2018](#)

[Cookie Audit 10 May 2018](#)

Ancient Monuments

Most of the townships have an entry under this heading based on Inventories compiled by noted Cumbrian historian W.G.Collingwood in 1923/26 Those which do not, may be referred to in the adjacent “mother” parish which was the basis of local administration before the 1888 institution of civil parishes.

Archaeology and Ancient History

[Discover Derwentio](#)

a detailed record of the archaeological activities at Papcastle 2010-2014; Grampus Heritage

[Roman Papcastle](#)

Booklet recording all excavations including the 2010-2014 series after the major flood of 2009

[Archaeological projects in Cumbria](#)

CWAAS 2003 to 2014 Schedules and summary of outcomes:

Enter 'Archaeological Projects in Cumbria (year)' then search Durham Univ (D M O'Sullivan)

[Early Christian' archaeology of Cumbria](#)

(M Phil Thesis)

Archive Newspapers

[Cumbria Newspapers List](#)

[BNA Newspaper availability](#)

[BNA Searching tips](#)

[Click here to see the range of papers involved, and how to access them](#)

[Click here for full details of Newspaper availability](#)

Background

Local

[Agriculture in Cumberland & Westmorland \(1964\)](#)

[Tourist Industry in Cumbria \(1965\)](#)

[The Dacre Inheritance 1569-1601-survey guide](#)

[The Dacre Inheritance 1569-1601/The Narrative](#)

[Westmorland Hospitals](#)

[Superior Lordship - Barony of Kendal](#)

[Parliamentary enclosure and changes in landownership in an upland environment: Westmorland, .1770–1860](#)

[History of Education in Westmorland, 1870-1914 \(Thesis\)](#)

[History and development of the English Lake District](#)

LDNP

National

[Landownership Guidance \(Presentation\)](#)

[Ed & Poor Law](#)

[Education before 1944](#)

[Printed Primary Sources for Medieval Landownership](#)

Wikipedia

[List of Poor Law Unions](#)

Parish coverage; links to maps

[Workhouses \(in Cumbria 12 in number\)](#)

Peter Higginbotham

[Scandinavian vocabulary of north-west England](#)

academic paper – E Rye

Nottingham University

[Scandinavian Settlements in Cumbria & Dumfriesshire](#)

(the Placename evidence)

Scottish Society for Northern Studies

[List of auxiliary hospitals in the UK during the First World War](#)

(full schedule including Cumbria)

Red Cross

[War](#)

Buildings

Listed Buildings - each township has its own list

[Explanatory Note - Historical Buildings](#)

Other structures

[Lime Burning in Westmorland](#)

[Lime Kiln Index](#)

[Pinfolds in Cumbria](#)

[Introduction](#)

[Pinfolds A-Z](#)

[Cumbrian War memorials](#)

Buildings and Monuments

[Cumbrian Towers & Fortified Buildings](#)

Aerial photographs

[Geograph - Simon Ledingham](#)

[Simon Ledingham background](#)

[South Lakeland District Council](#)

[Medieval castles, fortifications and palaces of England, Wales](#)

War memorials project

See also Gallery Images

amongst other counties - description & photographs

Many places in the county

Conservation Areas – Character Appraisals [The Gatehouse Gazetteer](gazetteer and bibliography)

Philip Davis

Lime Kilns Westmorland

[Lime kilns Barony of Westmorland File 3](#)

[Lime kilns Barony of Westmorland File 2](#)

[Lime kilns Barony of Kendal File 3](#)

[Lime kilns Barony of Kendal File 2](#)

[Lime kilns Barony of Kendal File 1](#)

[Lime kilns Barony of Westmorland File 1](#)

[Lime Kilns](#)

Census - see Population

Churches

Clergy & Incumbents

Lists

[Allhallows](#)
[Ambleside Parish](#)
[Aspatria](#)
[Asby](#)
[Beckermet](#)
[Bridekirk](#)
[Bootle](#)

[Cleator](#)
[Cartmel Fell Chapel of St Anthony](#)
[Crosthwaite](#)
[Kendal St Thomas](#)
[Finsthwaite](#)
[Langdale](#)
[Lamplugh to 2014](#)
[Moresby](#)
[Orton](#)
[Morland](#)
[Skelsmergh Dodding Green RC Priests](#)
[Whitehaven](#)

Biographies

[Biographies of Christ Church \(Whitehaven\)](#)
[Biographies of Holy Trinity Curates \(Whitehaven\)](#)

[Biographies of St. James Curates \(Whitehaven\)](#)

Church Histories

[Allithwaite](#)
[Appleby St Lawrence](#)
[Bampton](#)
[Barrow Island](#)
[Barbon](#)
[Buttermere](#)
[Brampton](#)

[Cliburn](#)
[Crosby Ravensworth](#)

[Clifton](#)
[Kendal Parish Church](#)
[Hensingham St John](#)
[Loweswater](#)
[Maryport](#)
[Lowick](#)
[Penrith \(St Andrews\)](#)
[Muncaster](#)
[Tebay](#)

[Winster](#)

[Biographies of Christ Church Curates \(Whitehaven\)](#)
[Biographies of St. Nicholas \(Whitehaven\)](#)

[Maryport St Mary](#)

[Mirehouse, Early History of St Andrew's \(updated\)](#)
[Kells, Early History of St Peter's](#)
[Keswick St John History and](#)

[Askham](#)
[Arlecdon](#)
[Arthuret](#)
[Bassenthwaite](#)
[Bardsea](#)
[Caldbeck](#)
[Cartmel Fell Nonconformists](#)
[Carlisle](#)
[Crosscanonby](#)

[Corney](#)
[Kendal St George's](#)
[Lorton](#)
[Lamplugh to 1909](#)
[Matterdale](#)
[Lowther](#)
[Plumbland](#)
[Skelsmergh](#)
[Whitbeck](#)

[Witherslack](#)

[Biographies of Holy Trinity \(Whitehaven\)](#)
[Biographies of St. Nicholas Curates \(Whitehaven\)](#)

Architecture

[St James's Church
Whitehaven](#)
[Maryport Christ Church
Victorian Church
Architecture](#)
[Skelsmergh Church
Architecture](#)

[The church and religion in the
Anglo Scottish border
counties](#)

Durham University
(thesis, S M Keeling)

Directories

Leicester University has placed a large number of historical directories on-line. The collection was moved in 2014 to a "Special Collections" website which seems to be less intuitive to use and may take more effort to get used to. It can also be busy and hence 'sticky' to use whilst one waits. There are 12 directories covering Cumberland, (one including Westmoreland and Furness) a further 10 for Westmoreland.

The most useful are the ones shown below, but **be aware that the page-numbering on the websites are not the same as those of the printed volumes and each differs.**

[Cumberland, Westmoreland
& Furness, 1829 Parson &
White,
Cumberland, 1847 Mannix &
Whelan,
Cumberland, Bulmer, 1901](#)

*Index page 760 ff:
Webpages are 2 more than
print pages*

Leicester Univ

[Westmoreland and parts of
Furness, 1851 Mannex & Co,
Westmoreland, Bulmer, 1885](#)

*Index page 4 ff: Webpages
are 7 more than print pages*

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*Index page 3 ff: Webpages
are 4 more than print pages*

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are 1 less than print pages*

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are 4 more than print pages*

Leicester Univ

Other Similar sources

[Vision of Britain between 1801 and 2001](#)

[British History Online](#)

[Topographical Dictionary of England 1831](#)

[Old Cumbria Gazetteer](#)

Domesday

	Extensive collection, maps, statistics, texts	Portsmouth University -
	primary and secondary sources for the history of Britain and Ireland	Institute of Historical Research
	covers whole country	Samuel Lewis
	<i>Reference material for all parishes and features within</i>	Portsmouth University, (M & J Norgate)
	Some of the townships in the far south of the county [42] have references in the Domesday Book . The introduction statement explains how this came about. There are links to the Domesday entry in these cases	
In SW Cumberland	Bootle	Millom
	Millom rural	Whicham
In Lancs (NofSands)	Aldingham	Barrow
	Broughton in Furness	Dalton in Furness
	Kirkby Ireleth	Lower Allithwaite
	Lower Holker	Pennington
	Ulverston	Upper Allithwaite
	Upper Holker	Urswick
In Kendal Ward	Beetham	Burneside
	Farleton	Helsington
	Heversham	Hincaster
	Kendal	Levens
	Natland	Old Hutton
	Preston Patrick	Preston Richard
	Patton	Skelsmergh
	Stainton	
In Lonsdale ward	Barbon	Burton in Kendal
	Casterton	Dalton
	Holme	Hutton Roof
	Kirkby Lonsdale	Lupton
	Mansergh	Middleton
In West Riding	Sedbergh	

Enclosure Awards

[Enclosure Awards](#)

[Cumberland](#)

[Enclosure Awards](#)

[Westmorland](#)

Family History

[CFHS Publications for purchase](#)

[Website inventory:](#)

[Genealogical Links to many sources](#)

[English Genealogy Records](#)

[Cumberland Parish Registers](#)

[Commercial transcripts of many Cumberland records sets](#)

[Records of births, marriages and deaths](#)

Cumbria Family History Society

Long list of other potential historical websites sources
best source of pointers to other information

extensive lists of links
(full texts of some)
(on PDF or Download (prices given))

(from start of civil registration in 1837, gradually covering ex Lancashire part of the county)

Genuki

Forebears

Cornell University
S & N Genealogy
Manchester &
Lancashire Family
History Society

Full Histories (drafts)

[List of Draft Histories](#)

Guidance

County Archives

[Guide to CASCAT](#)

[Researching the Clergy](#)

[Parish Magazines](#)

Preparing VCH

[VCH National Content Framework](#)

[Social History Guidelines \(Expanded\)](#)

Images

Each township has its own files of images

Aerial Photographs

[Appleby](#)

[Brampton](#)

[Cleator](#)

[Greystoke](#)

[Millom Below](#)

[Ulverston](#)

[Workington](#)

[Arnside](#)

[Burtholme](#)

[Cockermouth](#)

[Kendal](#)

[Preston Quarter](#)

[Whitehaven](#)

[Barrow](#)

[Carlisle](#)

[Egremont](#)

[Maryport](#)

[Silloth](#)

[Wigton](#)

Photographs (Historic
England National Monuments
Records)

[BARROW](#)

[COLTON](#)

[MARYPORT](#)

[SATTERTHWAITE](#)

[WHITEHAVEN](#)

[BOWNESS](#)

[ESKDALE](#)

[MILLOM BELOW](#)

[SEDBERGH](#)

[WORKINGTON](#)

[CARLISLE](#)

[GRANGE](#)

[MUNCASTER](#)

[THWAITES](#)

Maps

[National Library of Scotland \(which has old OS maps for all of England and Wales too\)](#)

[Old OS 6" maps of Cumbria \(for more information about the NLS website\)](#)

[Old Maps online](#)

[The Greenwood map of Cumberland 1822](#)

[Old Lancashire maps from Lancaster University](#)

[Cartmel in 1685](#)

[The 1773 Backhouse map of Quaker meetings](#)

[Copeland Parishes Map](#)

[Large Scale Maps of Cumbria](#)

[\(article\)](#)

Old maps from the Gallery

[Cumberland 1570 Ortelius](#)

[Westmorland 1573 Ortelius](#)

[Cumbria 1595 Mercator](#)

[Cumberland 1639 Blaeu](#)

[Cumbria 1696 Seller](#)

[Carlisle to Lancaster 1719](#)

[Ogilby](#)

[Morecambe Bay 1774 West](#)

[Cumberland 1777 Kitchin](#)

[Westmorland 1777 Kitchin](#)

[Cumbria 1816 Cary](#)
[Cumbria 1825 Oliver&Boyd](#)
[Roads 1831 Paterson](#)
[Oversands 1831 Paterson](#)

Miscellaneous - specific townships

[Boltons C of E School](#)
[Brigham, Renovation of St Bridget's, \(project report\)](#)
[Buttermere Bibliography](#)
[Hutton in the Forest - John Cornforth Lecture 2014](#)
[Kirkoswald, Memories of Kendal Dispensary](#)
[Crosby Garrett Helmet \(expert's assessment\)](#)

Industry and Business

[Mines of the West Pennines](#)

Monograph - History & technical detail [Northern Mines Research Society]

[Steetley Minerals](#)

Promotional catalogue giving short accounts of many mines in Cumbria

[Cumbria Industrial History Society](#)

Extensive material on history of Cumbrian industries

[Thomas Armstrong \(Builders\)](#)

Limited statement of history dating back to 1830

[Cumbria Wind Watch](#)

Development of wind farms;Detailed directory

[Historical information on industry and manufacturing in Britain.](#)

Extensive links to large amount of material - Grace's Guide

[Mine exploration](#)

web site and forum for the mine explorer, industrial archaeologists and historians -AditNow

[Data about mines](#)

data taken from Government publications and industry publications - Durham Mining Museum

Natural History

[A History by Cumbria Bird Club: Detail catalog](#)

Newsletters

[Newsletter Winter 2018](#)

[Newsletter Summer 2018](#)

[Newsletter Autumn 2017](#)

[Newsletter Summer 2017](#)

[Newsletter Oct 2015](#)

[Newsletter April 2015](#)

Place-Names

Every township has its own entry for the origin and meaning of its name, and historic versions of its name

[Sources for Place-names material](#)

[Place-name Sources](#)

[Introduction](#)

Population

[Census for Kendal Ward](#)

[Census for West Ward](#)

[Census for East Ward](#)

[Census for Lonsdale Ward](#)

[Census for Allerdale Below](#)

[Census for Allerdale Above Ward](#)

[Census for Cumberland Ward](#)

[Census for Eskdale Ward](#)

[Census for Leath Ward](#)

[Population and Settlement](#)

[Population Facts and Figures \(1965\)](#)

[The Poll of the Knights](#)

Full text; count & names of freeholders/voters in Westmorland in 1826

Publications

[CWAAS List of Publications 2013](#)

[CWAAS List of Publications 2014](#)

[CWAAS List of Publications](#)

[2015](#)

[Range, availability and usefulness of publications relating to the Historic County of Westmorland, A Case Study](#)

[PastPresented:](#)

Catalogue of small booklets

[Past Presented](#)

Source information about many individual aspects of local historical interest

[Flat Caps & Bonnets \(K Scales\)](#)

Collection of 142 History books/sets of records : On DVD for purchase

[The Philology of The Lakeland Dialect](#)

Article by Canon Ellwood, Lakeland Dialect Society

[Fell & Rock Climbing Club](#)

Articles from FRCC Journals giving detailed History of the climbing guides

[Cumbrian Lad: Memoirs of hunting in Cumbria](#)

extensive accounts including history

[Cumbria Folklore](#)

D McIlmoyle

Tools and Tutorials

[Master List all Townships](#)

[Calculators and Converters](#)

A list of websites to help with regnal years, old currency and Latin

[Palaeography Tutorial](#)

The National Archives offers an online tutorial to help you learn to read the handwriting found in documents written in English between 1500 and 1800.

[Availability of 1851 Religious Census Returns](#)

Places with returns in the National Archives for the 1851 Religious Census

[Memorial Resource Pack](#)

Local schools

[Glossary of Words for Cumbria Inventories](#)

[VCH Parish History Template \(2017\)](#)

Consists of detailed guidance on the content of each chapter within a parish article, the order in which the sub-chapters should be presented and links to key resources.

[Volunteering for VCH Cumbria](#)

How to get involved

[Volunteers' Handbook Third Edition \(2016\)](#)

The VCH Cumbria Volunteers' Handbook, now in its third edition, contains information and guidelines specific to Cumbria. Though the detailed guidelines within it have been superseded by the fuller, national VCH Parish Template, you will still find our project Handbook useful for source material that relates to Cumbria. The national VCH website also contains other guidance documents, including a checklist of electronic sources.

[Briefing Note 2: Locating Your Sources](#)

Where to find sources for the history of your township

[Cumbrian History Societies](#)

Links to other societies' web-sites

[Printed primary Sources for mediaeval landownership](#)

[Cumbria Post Offices](#)

VCH Head Office has gathered together a number of helpful resources, including a national list of Post Offices compiled by Ken Smith. These detail the opening a closure dates up to 2015.

[For an explanation of the terms used, please see this guide.](#)

Transport

[Cleator and Workington](#)

Extensive account

[Railway](#)

[Cumbrian Railways](#)

detailed archive of railway material

[Friends of the Settle-Carlisle Line Project](#)

to identify, record and assess the condition of all the railwayrelated historic structures: Applies to many parishes along the line

[Waverley Railway Line](#)

Edinburgh -Carlisle: History leading to its opening in 1862, closure in 1969 and rebirth in 21stC Waverley Route - HeritageAssociation (M Stoddon)

[Fellrunner bus service](#)

Short history (Private)

[Cockermouth Keswick & Penrith Railway](#)

Description of line and present position

[Forgotten Relics of an Enterprising Railway Age](#)

collection of memorabilia including much for Cumbria

[Kirkby Stephen \(preserved railway\)](#)

Stainmore Railway

Victoria Crosses

[Heroes of World War I](#)

[Private Beatham VC](#)

VC Citations

[VC Citation Acton](#)

[VC Citation Christian](#)

[VC Citation Hardy](#)

[VC Citation Edward Smith](#)

[VC Citation Beatham](#)

[VC Citation Collin](#)

[VC Citation Hewitson](#)

[VC Citation James Smith](#)

[VC Citation Boyle](#)

[VC Citation Forshaw](#)

[VC Citation Mayson](#)

Lists of External Websites

[Countywide List](#)

[County Websites,specific to](#)

[Carlisle](#)

[County Websites specific to](#)

[Kendal](#)

[Outcounty List](#)

[Cumbria History Societies](#)