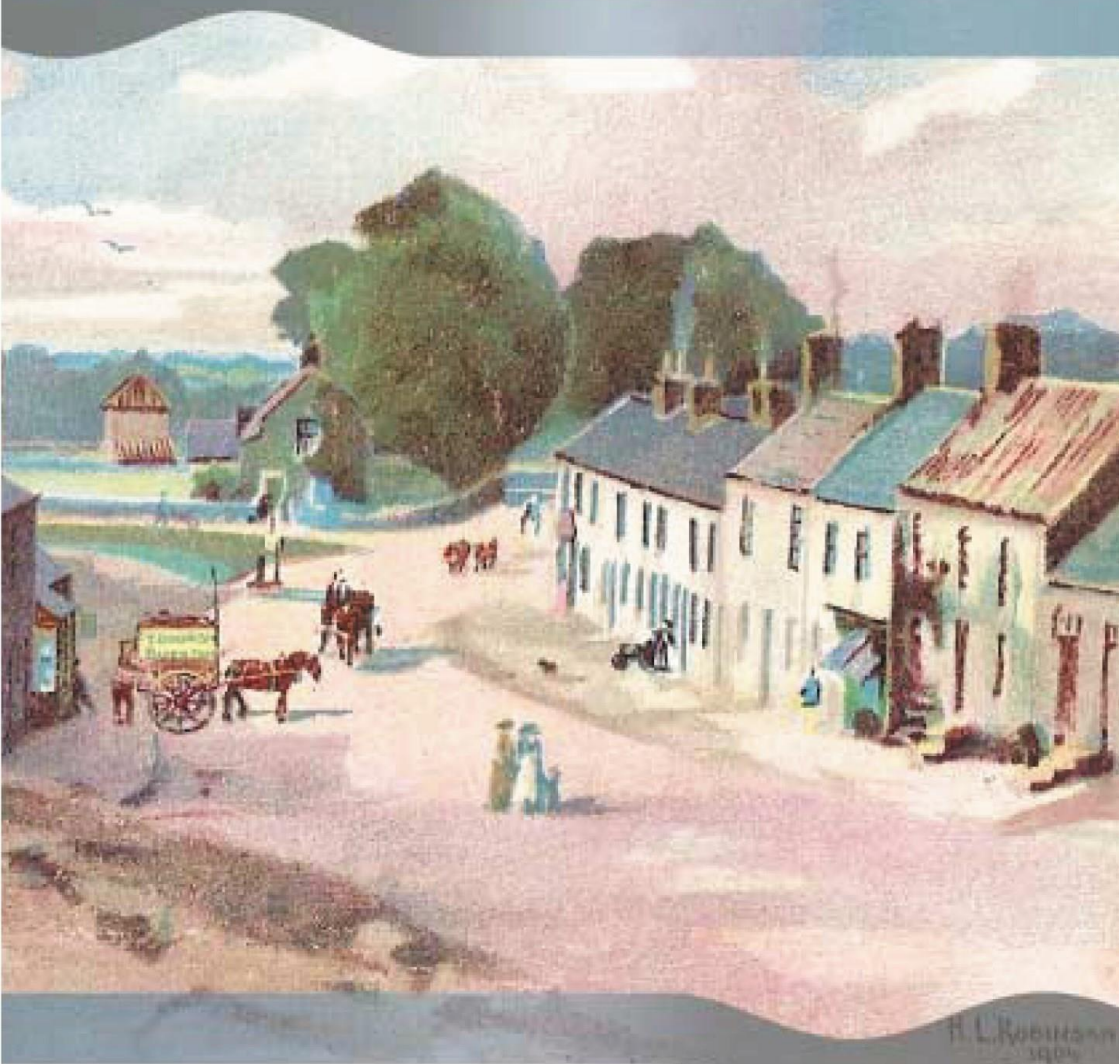


Embleton Parish Heritage Trails



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Introduction

EMBLETON

Embleton had also been known as Elmesdune (the hill where a man known as the caterpillar lived), Emyldon and Emeldon (long, low, undulating ridge like a caterpillar). The Barony of Embleton has belonged to Simon de Montford, Edmund, Earl of Lancaster, Henry Plantaganet and John of Gaunt, and the Embleton estate remained part of the Duchy of Lancaster until 1604 when it was sold by James I (VI) for almost £1,500.

The village and district suffered severely from Scottish raids and records show that in several instances rents had to be remitted due to damage caused to crops and property. During the reign of James II of Scotland (c 1450) the men of Embleton were instructed that 'in order to avoid conflagrations to take the roofs off their dwellings and to carry away to a place of safety'. During the War of the Roses the condition of the people and the village was worse than ever as Northumberland was the scene of violent struggles.

In 1642 the horses of 'Henry late king of England' entirely destroyed a nine acre field in Embleton, and again from year to year rents had to be remitted. Gradually, peace returned to the areas and the village grew with influxes of families from Scotland and the south of England such that, by the middle of the nineteenth century, the parish had some 1800 inhabitants. In 2006 the Electoral Roll was 560.

EMBLETON PARISH

The Parish of Embleton stretches from just south of the cemetery at Spittalford to just north of North Farm, and from the sea to slightly west of Christon Bank. It contains the villages of Embleton and Christon Bank.



Countryside Code

Be safe - plan ahead and follow any signs.

Leave gates and property as you find them.

Protect plants and animals, and take your litter home.

Keep dogs under close control.

Consider other people.

Although the walks included are simple, the weather in North Northumberland can be changeable so suitable clothing should be worn.

The text mentions several buildings which are now private homes. Please respect the privacy of the owners of these properties.

All the walks are suitable for taking your dog along but please ensure it is kept under control and on a leash when necessary, especially during lambing time.

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