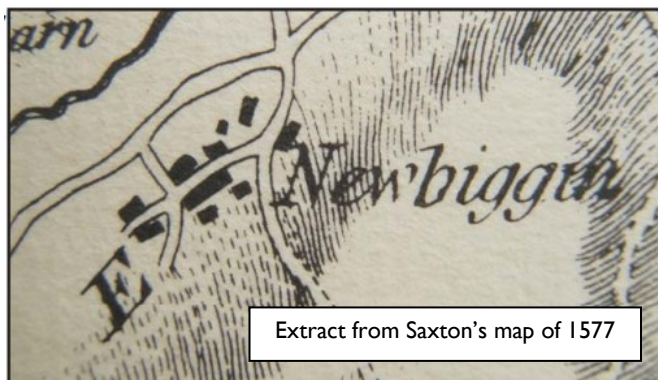


From the archives: Newbiggin in Bishopdale

The village of Newbiggin lies on the south side of Bishopdale, fifteen kilometres west of Leyburn in the Yorkshire Dales National Park. YVBSG Report 177 presents a study of the buildings in the area. Further information can also be found in 'Buildings of Bishopdale' in *Yorkshire Buildings* 29 (2001).



Most of the buildings in Newbiggin are adjacent to the street and face south. Although smaller in size than the neighbouring settlements of Thoraby and West Burton, there is a high proportion of listed properties. Most were built from the mid-seventeenth to the early nineteenth century. There are several examples of dated doorways. The earliest, 1636, now adorns the early twentieth century Newbiggin House. 'The Cottage' of 1717 and 'Brown's House' of 1670 have the ornate carvings on the rear elevation facing the road.

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Brown's House (left and below). The carving on the 1670 doorhead looks similar to a saltire cross. However, the listing describes this as crossed knives, suggesting a butcher may have resided here.



Brook House Farm (above). This porch butts up against the remains of an earlier building. The circular window is the only one of its type in the village.



Town Head Farm (above). The original 1690 doorhead has been moved when the porch was added to the building.