

Glossary of Terms

Associated with Field Names

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Field Name	Suggestion
Acre	A measure of land area, originally as much as a yoke of oxen could plough in a day, later defined by English statute as an area 220 yards (40 poles) long by 22 yards (4 poles) broad (equal to 4,840 square yards, 4 roods, or approx. 4,047 square metres), or its equivalent of any shape. OED
Alkali Manufactory	A saline substance, typically consisting largely of sodium carbonate, extracted from the calcined ashes of saltwort (genus <i>Salsola</i>), glasswort (genus <i>Salicornia</i>), or other plants; soda ash. OED
The Angle	"Outlying spot or corner" or "land within the turn of a road, river or estate boundary" [ME <i>angle</i>] Cavill p9
Ash Spring Wood	Ash, "Relating to the Ash tree" Cavill p13 Spring, "Field by or containing a well or spring" Cavill p397
Atkinson Field	Name of previous occupier? Peter Atkinson of Stockton on Tees is mentioned in legal documents from the 17 th C
Avenue Field	"Land by an approach road, often an approach to a country house" Cavill p14.
Awkwards	"Difficult or badly placed land" [ME <i>awkward</i>] Cavill p14
Back Close	"Land situated behind (farmstead)" Cavill p16
Back Field	"Land situated (immediately) behind the named feature" Cavill p16
Back Garth	"Land situated (immediately) behind (farmstead)" Cavill p16
Back Yard	"Land at the rear of a dwelling or settlement, or behind a field or landscape feature" Cavill p15
Back of the House	"Land situated (immediately) behind the named feature" Cavill p16
Ballast Bank/Hill	Ballast, Stones or weighty material used in otherwise empty ships, to provide stability. OED "1963 J. BIRD <i>Major Seaports United Kingdom</i> ii. 43 The riverside was also encumbered by colliery tips and ballast hills built by returning colliers". OED
Bank	"Land on, by, or containing slopes or embankments" [ME <i>banke</i>] Cavill p20
Bankey Field	"Land on, by, or containing slopes or embankments" Cavill p20.
Bankfield /South Banks	"Land on, by, or containing slopes or embankments" Cavill p 20.
Bare Bones, Arse	"Derogatory names for unproductive land" Cavill p21
Barley Flatts	Barley "Reference to the cereal crop" [OE <i>bærlic</i>] Cavill p23 Flat, "Level piece of land" [ON <i>flatr</i>] or "Division of the common field" [ON <i>flat</i>] Cavill p144.

Barn Close	"Refers to a barn, a farm outbuilding originally 'barley building' [OE bere-ærn] Cavill p23
Barwick Field	Field adjacent to Barwick Farm. OS Yorkshire 15, 1856
Bassleton	Bassle, Possible personal name " <i>Beorhte</i> " EPNS Bassle, "To work hard; to toil; struggle with something" DSL tūn [OE] An enclosure; a farmstead; a village; an estate.
Bat / Batts	"Low lying land subject to flooding" an ME dialect term of the north, common in Durham" Cavill p24
Bazelton	Alternate spelling of Bassleton. Bassle, Possible personal name " <i>Beorhte</i> " EPNS Bassle, "To work hard; to toil; struggle with something" DSL tūn [OE] An enclosure; a farmstead; a village; an estate.
Beacon House Farm	"Land on which signal fires were lit" Cavill p17 [OE <i>bēcun</i>]
Bean Close	"Land on which beans were grown" Cavill p26 Close, "An enclosed, usually quite small, piece of land" Cavill p79
Bean Field/Hill, Beanfield	"Land on which beans were grown" Cavill p26
Beck Close	"Field adjoining a stream" Cavill p26. [ON <i>bekk-r</i>] A brook or stream: the ordinary name in those parts of England from Lincolnshire to Cumbria which were occupied by the Danes and Norwegians; hence, often used <i>spec.</i> in literature to connote a brook with stony bed, or rugged course, such as are those of the north of England. OED
Beggaration Meynell Field	Beggaration, "That which causes beggary" EDD "May refer to worthless land, such as reduces an owner to beggary" Cavill p27 Meynell, name of local landowner.
The Bents	"A name given to grass of a reedy or rush-like habit, or which has persistent stiff or rigid stems; also, to various grass-like reeds, rushes, sedges, and other plants" OED. "Any coarse grass, esp. that found on moorlands or near the sea." EDD
Below the House	"Field lying below the named feature" Cavill p442
Biggin	"Building [ME <i>biggin</i> < ON <i>bygginn</i>] Cavill p31
Big Freehold	"Land held in free tenure" [ME <i>frehold</i>] Cavill p156
Benridge House/Pasture	Benridge, 'Bean Ridge' "land on which beans were grown" [OE <i>bean</i>] Cavill p26 Ridge, "Refers to long narrow hills or ridges" [OE <i>hrycg</i>] Cavill p357
Bishop	Bishop, "Land owned by a bishop" Cavill p32

Bishopwearmouth	Bishopwearmouth (The Bishop's land at the mouth of the River Wear) was one of the original three settlements on the banks of the River Wear that merged to form modern Sunderland. The settlement was formed in 930 when Athelstan of England granted the lands to the Bishop of Durham . The settlement on the opposite side of the river, Monkwearmouth , had been founded 250 years earlier.
Black Bobbies Field	Named after a policeman called Black Bobby because of his beard. During the 1890s he patrolled this area and when he retired, he bought the York Hotel, Thornaby which took his name when he died. A football team associated with the hotel used to play on that field until after the First World War and so it became known as Black Bobbies Field. ©SL
Black Field	"Dark earth the result of wet/boggy ground or the site of previous habitation and/or possible burning" Cavill p33
Black Halls	' black hall ' (Middle English blak (e) hall) or 'dark corner of land' Ancestry.com
Blind John Cottage	Probably named after blind occupier.
Bog	"Waterlogged land, marshy ground" [ME <i>bog</i>] Cavill p37
Bolts	"Land containing a stone covered drain" Cavill p38
Bootles	EDD online Hence Beütless , <i>adj.</i> profitless, futile. 'He's gaan a beütless eran'. <i>Comp. Beütt-money</i> , money given to equalize an exchange. Boot, A local English name of marsh marigold (<i>Caltha palustris</i>) or meadow bouts. OED
Bottle	Bottle, "Field near or containing a building" [OE <i>bōðl</i>] Cavill p40
Bottom	"Land at the valley bottom" Cavill p40
Bout	Bout, "An outlet for water, a place where water gushes out." DSL
Borewell Field	"A deep vertical well drilled to provide access to water, esp. one that is relatively narrow and is equipped with a pump to draw the water to the surface." OED
Bradley's Garth	Thomas Bradley a lessee of land from Greatham Hospital. The land is occupied by W Smith & leased by Mary Rex. Garth "Enclosure, small plot of land" [ON <i>garðr</i>] Cavill p167
Bradley's Long Field	Thomas Bradley leases this land from Greatham Hospital. "Land of greater length than fields nearby" Cavill p258 This is a narrow field which exaggerates the length.
Brass Field	Brass, local name, a will of 1690 mentions Christopher Brass of Stokesley. +DKG

Brea Flat	"Land on which briars grew" [OE <i>brēr</i>] Cavill p45
Breckon Hill	'Bracken' "Land overgrown with, or characterised by the growth of bracken" Cavill p42 Hill, "Land on or containing rising ground" [OE <i>hyll</i>] Cavill p206
Breck in bury	Breck, "Either, "land causing back breaking work" or "a broken or divided mound" Bury, "Land containing or adjoining earthworks" Cavill p54
Brewhouse Field, Corn Brewhouse Pasture.	"Land by, or containing, a brewery" Cavill p46 Possibly land on which barley was grown for the brewery.
Brick Field	"Land on which clay for bricks was found or where bricks were made or stored" Cavill p46
Brick Garth Field	"Site of a Brick Kiln" Cavill p46
Brick Kiln Field	"Site of a Brick Kiln" Cavill p46
Brickyard Stillage	Stillage, "In various industries, a stool or stand for keeping something from the ground. Now <i>spec.</i> a pallet, frame, or similar structure used for storage of goods". OED
Bridge Field	"Field by or containing a bridge or causeway" Cavill p47
Brigg Syke	Brigg "Field by or containing a bridge or causeway" Cavill p47 Syke "Wet land beside a stream or drainage channel" [OE sic, ON sik] Cavill p382
Broad Close	"Wide or extensive field" Cavill p48
Brocklemoor	"Land with Badger holes or setts, or where Badgers have been seen" Cavill p49
Brook Hill Close	"Land with Badger holes or setts, or where Badgers are seen" Cavill 49
Broom Hill	"Land on which Broom (<i>Scarothamnus scoparius</i>) grew" Cavill p49
Brough Field	"A plank laid across a ditch, forming a rustic foot-bridge" ^EDD
Brow Hill	"The brow of a hill" [OE <i>bru</i>] Cavill p50
Brown Close	The "Trustees of George Brown" are shown as a landowner in this document.
Buck Field	"Land frequented by deer or goats" Cavill p50
Bull Garth	"Land on which bulls were kept" [OE <i>bula</i>] Cavill p51
Burdon Garth & Bank	Burdon, possible previous occupier. Garth, ' <i>Obsolete, rare</i> ' "to enclose with a fence" OED Bank, "Land on, by, or containing slopes or embankments" Cavill p 20
Burial Ground	"Cemetery or land adjoining a cemetery" Cavill p52

Burn	"A spring, fountain; a stream or river. In later use: A small stream or brook" [OE] OED
Burrell's Close	Possibly previous owner's name of "Enclosed, usually quite small, piece of land" Cavill p79
Burtree Nook	Bir tree, "Land on which Elder trees grew" Cavill p32 Nook, "Used to refer to corners of fields" Cavill p301
Bury	"Land containing or adjoining earthworks" Cavill p54
Busy Cat	"Busier than a cat covering shit" https://outbackdictionary.com Possibly highly productive field.
Butt/Butts Garth	"Land used for archery" Cavill p55
Butter/Buttery Close	"Productive land, especially rich pasture" Cavill p56
Byer Noble	Byer, "Land with or by cattle shed" Cavill p56 "Land valued for rent or purchase at one Noble. A noble was a gold coin with the value of 6 shillings and eight pence" Cavill p300
Cabbage Garth	Where cabbages were grown.
Caddy Close	"The caddis-worm or grub of the May-fly". Hale, hearty, in good health and spirits; convalescent. EDD
Calf Close/Garth etc	"Pasture reserved for young cattle" Cavill p59 "Enclosed, usually quite small, piece of land" Cavill p79
Calvert's Close	Previous occupiers name. "Enclosed, usually quite small, piece of land" Cavill p79
Camp Field	"Perhaps 'enclosed land' [OE <i>camp</i>] but occasionally alluding to ancient earth works" Cavill p60
Carey Lees	Carey, poss previous occupier/owner. Lees "Pasture, grassland" [OE <i>laes</i>] Cavill p249
Carnell	"A heap" Scottish obsolete. OED
Carpenter's Close	"Land belonging to a carpenter or a person of that name" Cavill p63. [Stockton field cited in Cavill]
Carr/Carrs	"Boggy land, swamp, characterised by the growth of Alder and similar shrubs" or adjacent to such land. [ME <i>ker</i> < ON <i>kjarr</i>] Cavill p63
Cart House Field	"Alluding to the use and housing of farm vehicles" Cavill p65
Castle Field	"Field near a castle or containing prehistoric fortifications" [ME <i>castel</i>] Cavill p65
Catch Crop Field	"Land on which a fast growing crop is intersown with the main crop" Cavill p66 [Cited in Cavill]
Catnell Field	Misspelling of Carnell? "A heap" Scottish obsolete. OED
Causeway Field	"Field adjoining or containing a causeway" [ME <i>caucie</i> , <i>causie</i>] an elevated road or path through water or land prone to flooding. Cavill p 67
Chapel Hill	"Land adjoining or owned by a chapel" "Often reference to an ancient building" Cavill p69
Charles/ Charley/Shirley	Possibly "Churl's or peasants land" [OE <i>ceorl</i>] #Cavill p70

Cherry Field/Garth	"Alluding to cherries" [ME <i>chirie</i> <OFr <i>cherise</i>] Cavill p71
Chester	"Land by or containing ancient remains, often Roman" Cavill p72
Cheviot	Possible reference to Cheviot sheep
Chopping Knife	"Shaped like a cook's chopping knife" Cavill p74
Church Field etc	"Land belonging to, or situated near, the church" Cavill p74
Port Clarence	Clarence Railway Company, which took its name in commemoration of the Duke of Clarence, who became King William IV in 1830. Cleveland & Teesside History Soc
Clarke's Close	Either a previous owner's name or "Land assigned to the parish clerk" Cavill p77
Claxton Bridge Paddock	Paddock, "A small grass enclosure" [OE <i>pearroc</i>] Cavill p315, next to Claxton Bridge
Clockbridge	Possible mis hearing of "Cloff" bridge, which is near. <i>Cloff</i> "Scottish & northern dialect. A cleft, fissure, parting:
Cloff Bridge	Fields near the Cloff Bridge. <i>Cloff</i> "Scottish & northern dialect. A cleft, fissure, parting: OED
Close Garth	Close, "An enclosed, usually small, piece of land" Cavill p79 Garth, "Enclosure, small plot of land" [ON <i>garðr</i>] Cavill p167
Clover Close/Field etc	"Field in which clover grows" [OE <i>clæfre</i>] Cavill p80
Coach Rd Field	"Land beside a vehicle road" Cavill p64
Coal Pits	"Land containing or adjoining a coal-pit" [OE <i>col pytt</i>] "In early names a coal-pit was a place where charcoal was made" Cavill p81
Coate	A slight building for sheltering small animals, as sheep, pigs, fowls, or for the storage of anything; a shed, stall; spec. a sheep-cote. OED
Coatham Field/Close etc	"Land with or beside cottages" Cavill p82
Coatham Mundeville	'At the cottages', [OE <i>cot</i>], dative pl. <i>cotum</i> , + manorial addition from the family name Mundeville. It was held by the de Amundaville family from Emondville in Normandy. EPNS
Cock Close	"Land associated with cock fighting" Cavill p83
Part of Cock Styles	Possibly "Cookstule" DSL, or "Cucking-stool" OED "An instrument of punishment formerly in use for scolds, disorderly women, fraudulent tradespeople, etc., consisting of a chair (sometimes in the form of a close-stool), in which the offender was fastened and exposed to the jeers of the bystanders, or conveyed to a pond or river and ducked". OED
Coldwell Close	"Field by, or containing, a well or spring" Cavill p455 There are a number of wells shown in this area, and "The Cauldwell Pump" Cauld is dialect for cold.

Colliery Close	"Land belonging to the colliery" Cavill p86
Common Garden/ Garth	"Land held by the community" Cavill p87
Corn Close/Field	"Land on which corn was grown" Cavill p90
Cornell Close	Possibly previous owner's name of "Enclosed, usually quite small, piece of land" Cavill p79
Corner Close	"Land in a corner of the fields, or by a road junction" Cavill p90 This field is triangular, and could appear to be "all corners"
Corney Hill	Corn [OE] Corn, grain. ēg (Anglian) An island. In ancient settlement-names, most frequently refers to dry ground surrounded by marsh. Also used of islands in modern sense. In late OE names: well-watered land. KEPN
Cottage Close	"Land containing, or attached to, a cottage" Cavill p91
Cow Gap	Possibly from the same origin as cow-gang. Obsolete "a common on which cows pasture". OED
Cow Pasture/Land	"Land on which cows were kept" Cavill p 91 Pasture, "Grazing land" Cavill p321
Cow Stand & Third Part	Cow Stand, field near farm for cows, possibly pre milking? "Third part" sub section of a larger area.
Coward Close	Probable misspelling of "Cowherd" "Land on which cows were kept (and tended by..)" Cavill p91
Crab Close	"Land growing with crab-apple trees" [ME <i>crabbe</i>] Cavill p92
Cricket Field	"Alluding to the game of cricket" Cavill p94
Croft	"Small enclosure" Cavill p95
Crook Gill	Crook, "Land at a bend" Cavill p96 Gill, "A deep rocky cleft or ravine, usually wooded and forming the course of a stream." OED
Crooks	"Land at a bend" Cavill p 96
Dale Field	Dale, "A portion or share of land; <i>spec.</i> a share of a common field, or portion of an undivided field indicated by landmarks but not divided off" OED.
Low & High Dam Meadow	"Land containing a pond or ponds" Cavill p103
Darlay Hill	An animal, a beast (Dear). [OE dēor] A forest, wood, glade, clearing; (later) a pasture, meadow. [OE lēah] KEPN "Land on or containing rising ground" Cavill p 206
Darling, Great D & Little D	"Apparently a complimentary name" Cavill p105 Possible reference to a bountiful, productive field.
David Field	Personal name

Davison's Field	Robert Davidson lessee.
Dead Meadows	"Inactive, infertile land" Cavill p106
Dean, Dene	A vale. OED
Dean Head	Land at the upper end of a dale or valley. #Cavil p 198
Deips	Deips, "Deeps" DSL. Deeps, "Land or feature at a greater depth than its surroundings", "land in a declivity" [OE <i>dēop</i>]
Deptford Field	'Deep ford'. The ford in question presumably crossed the River Wear. [OE <i>dēop</i>] Deep. [OE <i>ford</i>] A ford. KEPN
Dodson's Close	Probably previous lessee's name
Docken Field	"Land infested with docks" [OE <i>docce</i> dialect <i>docken</i>] Cavill p114
Drain Field	"Field in which drains had been installed" Cavill p118
Dub Field	Dub, "Land beside or containing a pool" Cavill p119 [OE] DUB , <i>sb.1</i> and <i>v.1</i> Sc. Irel. Nhb. Cum. Wm. Yks. Lan. I.Ma. [dub , deb .] 1. <i>sb.</i> A small pool of rain-water; a puddle; a small pond or pool of water. Cf. dib , sb.4 EDD
Dovecot Garth/ Piece/Meadow etc	"Land frequented by doves; land containing, or adjoining a dovecot" [OE <i>dūf</i> , <i>cot</i> , <i>hus</i>] Cavill p117
Ducketts Close	"Duckett" Dovecote. "Land frequented by Doves or containing or a Dovecote" Cavill p117
Dyke Butts	Dyke, "Land bounded or traversed by a ditch or drain" [ON <i>dik</i>] Cavill p111. Butts, "Land used for archery" Cavill p55
East & West Closes	This field is divided into two equal halves by a footpath N - S
East & West India Field	Relative position of fields with a whimsical name referring to their perceived remoteness from the farmstead.
East Close	"Land on the eastern side" Cavill p124
East Field & South Field	Indicating position relative to village or other fields" Cavill p302
East Grindon, West G and Grindon Close	Fields enclosed from common land near Grindon & St Thomas A' Becket's church Durham
Eight Acres	"Acreage name in common use" Cavill p125
Eighteen Acre	"Enclosure having an area of eighteen acres" Cavill p126
Elstob's Close	Jane Elstob lessee.
Elwick	Elwick "Aegla's/Ella's specialised farm" EPNS
Enclosure	"Fenced or hedged land, usually separately cultivated from the common arable" Cavill p128
Engine Close	"Land on which an agricultural or other piece of equipment was housed or operated" Cavill p129

Ewe Flat	Ewe, "Pasture or enclosure for ewes" Cavill p130 Flat, "Level piece of land" [ON <i>flatr</i>] or "Division of common field" [ON <i>flaf</i>] Cavill p144
Falls	This is level land that does not contain slopes or banks. Fall, "A lineal measure of land equal to six ells; the square measure corresponding to this" ~DSL Ell, A measure of length varying in different countries. The English ell = 45 in.; the Scotch = 37·2; the Flemish = 27 in.
Fanny Bank	Poss. Fanny Grass, Couch Grass ^EDD
Far Field	"Common name for land at some distance from the village" Cavill p 134 "More remote part of divided field" Cavill p134
Farm House Stead	Farm, "an area of land used for agricultural purposes, such as growing crops, raising livestock, or producing animal products, for sale or for food" OED Farmstead, "A plot of farmland and the buildings upon it" OED
Featherbed	"Land with soft soil" Cavill p136
Fen	Marshland [OE <i>fenn</i>] Cavill p137
Field	<i>feld</i> [OE] Open country, unencumbered ground (e.g. land without trees as opposed to forest, level ground as opposed to hills, land without buildings); arable land (from late tenth century). OED
Field before House	The Field in front of the farmhouse.
Field Behind House	Self-explanatory.
First & Far Long Field	"The nearest and furthest long field from the homestead"
First & Second Carr	First, "The nearest, largest or principal section of a divided enclosure" Cavill p140 "Boggy land, swamp, characterised by the growth of Alder and similar shrubs" or adjacent to such land. [ME <i>ker</i> < ON <i>kjarr</i>] Cavill p63
First Back Field	"Land situated (immediately) behind the homestead" Cavill p16
First Pasture	"The nearest, largest or principal section of a divided enclosure"
Fisher Field	"Land from which fish could be caught" Cavill p141 The Heron is called <i>Fisher</i> in Somerset. EDD
Five Acres	"A common name for land measuring five statute acres in area" Cavill p142
Flatt	Flatt, "Level piece of land" [ON <i>flatr</i>] or "Division of common field" [ON <i>flaf</i>] Cavill p144
The Fleets	"Land beside a stream" [OE <i>flēot</i>] Cavill p145

The Flexon	A possible reference to land used to grow "flax". In Spackman's "An A-Z of Field Names" "flexfurlong and flexmere" are mentioned, both meaning land on which flax is grown. Flexon, "variant of flaxen" OED
Flothers	"Flothe" "to flood or pervade". DSL These fields lay alongside a pond/small lake.
Flowery Hill	"Land on which flowers were much in evidence" Cavill p146
Fog	"Land on which coarse grass grew" [OE <i>fogga</i>] Cavill p147
Fold	Fold, "Small enclosure for sheep or cattle" Cavill p147
Folly	"Land containing ornamental feature" Cavill p148
Ford Field	"Land beside a ford" Cavill p149 Ford, "A shallow place in a river or other water, where a person or animal may cross by wading" OED
Fore Door Field/Garth etc	Fore "Land in front", Cavill p150 The field in front of the farm door.
Forth	"Away or out from a place of origin, residence, or sojourn". OED
Four Acres	"Common acreage name" Cavill p153
Fourteen Acres	"Field of fourteen statute acres in area" Cavill p154
Fowlers Close	Fowler, "One who hunts wild birds, whether for sport or food, <i>esp.</i> with nets; a bird-catcher. Now <i>rare.</i> "
Fox Cover	"Scrubland, or land specially planted serving as shelter for foxes" Cavill p155
Fox Hole Field	"Land on which foxes were seen" Cavill p155
Fox Rush Field	"Land on which foxes were seen" Cavill p155 Rush, "Land overgrown with rushes" Cavill p362
Freehold	"Land held in free tenure" [ME <i>frehold</i>] Cavill p156
Front Field/Pasture	"Land in the fore part of a farm, adjoining a road, or before a great house" Cavill p160
Gannick Bottom	GANNICK , <i>v.</i> <i>Ess. Wil.</i> [gæ·nik.] To 'lark' about, play, frolic; to loiter, idle, gossip. EDD
Garth	"Enclosure, small plot of land" [ON <i>garðr</i>] Cavill p167 ' <i>Obsolete, rare</i> ' "to enclose with a fence" OED "A small piece of enclosed ground, usually beside a house or other building, used as a yard, garden, or paddock" OED.
Garth Ends	Field at the back of village gardens or Garths. Garth, "Enclosure, small plot of land" [ON <i>garðr</i>] Cavill p167
Gars	[OE <i>Gærs, gres</i>] "grass; pasture or meadowland" Cavill p482
Gate	Gate, "Point of access to common or forest pasture" Cavill p167
Gela Syke	Gela, personal name? Syke "Wet land beside a stream or drainage channel" [OE <i>sic, ON sik</i>] Cavill p382

Gibbet	"Land on or near which a gibbet stood" [ME <i>gibef</i>] Cavill p169 Gibbet, "A post from which the bodies of dead criminals were hung in chains" Cavill p169
Glebe	Glebe, "Land held by an incumbent as part of his benefice" Cavill p171
Glenton Nooks	Glenton, possible historical occupier's name. Nooks, "Element used to refer to corners of fields" Cavill p301
Gosling Pasture	"Land on which (young) geese were pastured" Cavill p175
Granary Bank	"Field containing a grain store" Cavill p179 Can be a mishearing of Granny "Land reserved for the widow of the deceased owner" Cavill p179
Grange	(Middle English) A grange; originally a granary, a barn; later a farm; also, an outlying farm belonging to a religious house or a feudal lord, where crops were stored. KEPN
Granny Hill/Field etc	"Land reserved for the widow of the deceased owner" Cavill
Grayston/Greystone	"Land by or containing grey stones or boundary stones [OE <i>græg, stan</i>] Cavill p181
Gravel Hole Hill	"Field with gravel soil, or from which gravel was dug" Cavill p180. "Greatham" means village on the gravel, [OE, <i>groot (gravel) & ham(village)</i>] http://kepn.nottingham.ac.uk/map/place
Great	"Largest or most important field in a system" Cavill p180
Great Field	Great, "Largest or most important field" [OE <i>grēat</i> 'thick, stout, massive'] Cavill p180
Greatham Field	Adjacent to Greatham Township
Green Field/Meadow	"Notably green piece of land" Cavill p181
Half Field	"Portion of land measuring one half of a unit of area, or of a regular allotment" Cavill p188
Hallion Hill	Hallion, <i>Scottish and northern dialect</i> "A term of contempt: A low or scurvy fellow; an idle, worthless fellow." ~OED "A mischievous lad" dsl.ac.uk/entry/snd/hallion This field is opposite the inn and may have been a meeting place for the above. Hill "Land on, or containing rising ground" Cavill p206
Hard Knowles	Hard, "Land with a barley penetrable surface or which for some other reason is difficult to till" Cavill p193 Knowles "Land with hillocks" [OE <i>cnoll</i>] Cavill p237
Hare Pasture	"Land on which hares were seen" Cavill 193
Hangsman Field	"Land assigned to the executioner' either for tillage etc. or as a site for executions" Cavill p192
Hardwick / Herdwick	"Herd farm" EPNS

Harton	"Stags Hill" [OE <i>Heorof</i>] a hart, a stag, a grown male deer. [OE <i>dun</i>] a hill. KEPN
Haugh	"Low-lying, level ground by the side of a river" EDD
Haver	"Land on which oats are grown" Cavill p196
Hebber Letch	Hebber, "Lover" EDD. DSL. Letch "Land by a boggy pool or area of marsh" Cavill p247
Herd	Cattle or bovine domestic animals OED
Hetton Lane	Hetton, "Wild-rose hill". <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • hēope (Old English) The fruit of the wild rose, a hip. • dūn (Old English) A hill. KEPN Lane, A narrow way between hedges or banks; a bye-way. OED
Hell Hole, Hells Pasture	"A place of danger or menace, a dark haunted nook, a den of infamy" Cavill p202
Hinds House Field	Hind, "The female of the deer, esp. of the red deer; <i>spec.</i> a female deer in and after its third year" OED There is no building shown in this field, so most likely a place where hinds were observed.
High	Higher than the adjoining field
High & Little Tees Hill	"Land on or containing rising ground" Cavill p 206 50ft contour line passes through these fields.
High & Low North Moor	High "Uppermost open field" Cavill p205 Low "Field not so high as neighbouring land" Cavill p262
High Bottom	Seemingly contradictory name, "Land at the bottom of the valley" Cavill p40. "either 'High' in the physical sense or in importance" Cavill p205 one suspects the latter.
High Pasture	"Either 'High' in the physical sense or in importance" Cavill p205. This field is above the 50ft contour line. Durham LVI
High Seed Field	"Land on which crops were grown for seed" Cavill p373
Hile,	"A quantity of sheaves of a crop" EDD
Hill Field	"Land on or containing rising ground" Cavill p206
Hills	"Land on or containing rising ground" Cavill p 206
Holey Field	"Possibly, Field which has been blessed"" Cavill p211
Holliwell Field	Field containing a "Holy Well" "Land containing a holy well or stream" [OE <i>hālig</i> , <i>wælle</i>] Cavill p211
Holly Bush, Holly Hill	"Land on which holly grew" [OE <i>holegn</i>] Cavill p209
Holm	Holme, "Raised land in marsh, water meadow" Cavill p210
Holme/Holmes	"Raised land in marsh, water meadow" Cavill p211
Home Field	"Alluding to land near the homestead or village" Cavill p211

Homestall	"Land attached to or surrounding a homestead: a farmyard" Cavill p212
Homestead	"Land attached to, or surrounding a homestead; a farmyard" Cavill p212
Hope	"Small plot of enclosed land; enclosed valley" [OE <i>hop</i>] Cavill p214
Horse Course Field	"Alluding to horse racing" Cavill p216. Adjacent to 35
Horse Pasture	"Alluding to farm horses" Cavill p215.
Hospital Field	"Alluding to medieval hospitals" Cavill p216
Houghton	"A heel; a sharply projecting piece of ground" [OE <i>hōh</i>] EPNS
House Field/Pasture etc	"Land beside or containing a dwelling house" [OE <i>hūs</i>] Cavill p217
How Hill	How, (hoe), " <i>whin-how</i> , a type of hoe used to uproot broom or whins" ~DSL. Hill "Land on, or containing rising ground" Cavill p206
Howl	Howl, "Hollow, deep; empty, hungry" EDD
Hull Close	"Land containing a shed or sheds" Cavill p217
Hungary Hill	"Infertile land, land demanding much manure" Cavill p219
Hungry Hole/Hill	Hungry, "Infertile land, land demanding much manure [OE <i>hungrig</i>] Cavill p219
Hustle Field	Relative sizes of fields called Hustle. Hustle, "hard work" Google.com
Hutton Field	Possible personal name of previous occupier. There is a road named Hutton Close in Thornaby.
Inclosure	Inclosure, "Fenced or hedged land, usually separately cultivated from the common arable" Cavill p128
Incroachment	"Common land taken into private tenure" Cavill p129
Ing	"Wet meadow or pasture land" Cavill p223
Infirmary Field / Infirmary	Bishopwearmouth and Sunderland Dispensary and Infirmary, Chester Road 1823 – 1867, Nat Archive
Instreat	Reference to a "Land by a road or a village street" [OE <i>stræt</i>] Cavill p407
Island	"Usually from OE <i>ēg-land</i> 'island' but may be from <i>ēa-land</i> 'land by a river'" Cavill p225
Jackson Close	Possibly previous occupier, a common surname in the area.
Kiln Close/Field Kilnpiece	"Land on which a kiln was sited" Cavill p234 Kiln maybe for pottery, lime burning or brick making.
Kitching Pasture	"Kitchen garden; land on which crops were grown for culinary use", sometimes alluding to land used by or under the control of, the officials of a monastic or other institutional kitchen." Cavill p233
Kitty Pasture	Kitty, "A common name given to a cow" ^EDD Shown as "Kitty Pasture" OS Yorkshire 15, 1856

Knoll	"Land with hillocks" [OE <i>cnoll</i>] Cavill p237
Ladder	"Steep land" Cavill p239
Lady Moor	"Land dedicated to the Blessed Virgin" Cavill p239
Lacon/Laecc	<i>læcc</i> [OE] A stream, a bog.
Lamb Close Lam Field	"Land on which lambs were nurtured & pastured" Cavill p243 Lam is a Norse spelling of lamb.
Lammer Coates	"Land on which lambs were nurtured and pastured" Cavill p243 Coates, "A slight building for sheltering small animals, as sheep, pigs, fowls, or for the storage of anything; a shed, stall; spec. a sheep-cote". OED
Lane	A narrow way between hedges or banks; a bye-way. OED
Lane End	"Field situated at the end of a lane, or at the junction of two or more lanes" Cavill p245
Lane Field	"Land traversed by, or in the vicinity of a lane" [OE <i>lane, lanu</i>] Cavill p245
Lane, Homestead & Paddock	Lane, "A narrow way between hedges or banks" OED Paddock, "A small grass enclosure" [OE <i>pearroc</i>] Cavill p315
Lather	Possible misspelling of "Lathe" meaning barn [ON <i>hlaða</i>] OED
Laygate Field	"Lay, open woodland [OE <i>lēah</i>] later, meadow, open pasture" Cavill p248 Gate, "Point of access to common or forest pasture" Cavill p167
Lazar Head	"Lazar" is a general term to describe lepers"" (*Onions 1966,519). Head "A strip of land at the end of a ploughed field" OED
Leazes	Leas, "pasture, grass-land" [OE <i>læs</i>] Cavill p249
Leazes	Leaze, "Pasture; pasturage; meadow-land" common. OED
Leconfield	Probably "Boggy-stream open land" KEPN
Leighgate Close	Leigh, "woodland clearing". KEPN Gate, "A way, path, road". EED
Lemonside	Possibly a personal name "Leman" and a derivative of "Saetr" or summer pasture, or, a field where, Lemon-bird , the linnet, can be found.
Letch Field	"Land by a boggy pool or area of marsh" Cavill p247 This field is adjacent to Jarrow Slake.
Leven Bank	Leven, local river. Bank, "Land on, by, or containing slopes or embankments" Cavill p20
Ley Close & Grafton	Ley, "Fallow land" [OE <i>læge</i>] Cavill p253
Ley Field	"Fallow land" Cavill p253

Limekiln Bank	"Land by or containing a limekiln" Cavill p254 A building is shown in this field on apportionment map.
Lingey Close	Lingey, "Heather covered land" [ON <i>lyng</i>] Cavill p255
Little & Great	Relative size of fields
Little & Long Fields	Little, "Small, inconspicuous, unimportant" Cavill p256. This field is 9A, not small, though it may have been relatively unproductive. There is a record of compounding with different genetics and is often paired with "Great". Kirk Hammerton WRY has a " <i>Littleleng</i> "
Little Back Garth	Little, "Small, inconspicuous, unimportant" Cavill p256 "Land situated (immediately) behind the homestead" Cavill p16
Little Bank & Scriddle	"Land on, by, or containing slopes or embankments" Cavill p 20. A small part of this field has 150–100ft contours. Scriddles Wood adjoins this field
Little Bat Great Bat	Batt "Low-lying land subject to flooding" a ME dialect term of the north, common in Durham Cavill p24.
Little Close	"Small, inconspicuous, unimportant" Cavill p256.
Little Field South Little Field North	Relative positions of fields as described below. Little, "Small, inconspicuous, unimportant" Cavill p256
Little Flat	Flat, "Level piece of land" [ON <i>flatr</i>] or "Division of the common field" [ON <i>flat</i>] Cavill p144. See 110
Little Hall Bank & Great Hall Bank & Part of Great Hall Bank	"Land attached to the hall or within the lord's demesne" Cavill p189. "Land on, by, or containing slopes or embankments" Cavill p20. Little & Great, relative size.
Little Hill	Little "Small, inconspicuous, unimportant" Cavill p256 Hill "Land on or containing rising ground" Cavill p206
Little Orchard	"Land containing fruit trees" Cavill p309 Adjacent to farmhouse, could provide fruit for kitchen.
Little Ridge Field	"Refers to long narrow hills or ridges" [OE <i>hrycg</i>] Cavill p357 A 'tongue' of lower ground protrudes into this field from NE. OS Yorkshire 15, 1856, 54 ⁰ 31' 17" N 01 ⁰ 19' 03" W
Little Ring, Ring, High Ring.	Ring, "Land enclosed by a circular feature" [OE <i>hring</i>] Cavill p358 Pasture in a large loop of the River Tees, marked as "The Rings" OS Yorkshire 15, 1856
Little Seed Field	"Land on which crops were grown for seed" Cavill p373
Little Stony Pasture	"Land containing stone, or thin stony soil" Cavill p404
Little, Middle & East Moor Plain	Plain, "Flat piece of land" Cavill p332
Little, Near, Far & Corn Blakely Hill	Relative positions of fields. Blakely (Black), "Dark earth the result of wet/boggy ground or the site of previous habitation and/or possible burning" Cavill p33

Livery Close	"The allowance of provender or fodder for horses." OED
Lomer Lane Close	Lomer "lome, <u>variant of lamb</u> " or A variant of loam, "A soil of great fertility composed chiefly of clay and sand with an admixture of decomposed vegetable matter" OED Lane, "Land traversed by, or in the vicinity of a lane" [OE
Long Close	Long "Land of greater length than the fields nearby" [OE <i>lang</i>] Cavill p258. This field is 7 times longer than its width. Close, "An enclosed, quite small, piece of land" Cavill p79. As this field is 8A the emphasis should, perhaps, be placed on its enclosure.
Long Close	"Land of greater length than the fields nearby, may be perceived rather than measured" Cavill p258
Long Field North Long Field South	Relative positions of fields as described below. "Land of greater length than the fields nearby" Cavill p258.
Long Garth	Land having greater length than width, in this field 2:1
Long Gibbet	Long, "Land of greater length than the fields nearby" Cavill p258
Long Middle Moor	"Land of greater length than the fields nearby, may be perceived rather than measured" Cavill p258
Long Oat Stubble	Long, "Land of greater length than the fields nearby" Cavill p258 Oat, "The grain of a hardy cereal plant <i>Avena Sativa</i> . OED Stubble, "Alluding to land where seed is sown directly into the stubble" Cavill p408
Long Ropes	"Land on which ropes were made" Cavill p360
Longfield	"Land of greater length than the fields nearby, may be perceived rather than measured" Cavill p258
Low	Low, "Less important than "High" the main or principal field" Cavill p262.
Low & High Garth	Low, "Less important than "High" the main or principal field" Cavill p262
Low & High Hell Hole	"A place of danger or menace, a dark haunted nook, a den of infamy" Cavill p202
Low & High Spring Gills	Spring, "Field by, or containing, a well or spring" Cavill p455 "Gill" would suggest a depression caused by running water.
Low & High Tillage	Low & High, relative importance, there is no height difference. Tillage "Land for arable use" Cavill p427
Low Big Field	Low, this field descends from 50 – 25ft contours Big, "A field of larger than average size" Cavill p30
Low Bottom	"Field not so high as neighbouring land" Cavill p262
Low Corn Field	"Land by or on a mound" Cavill p261 "Land on which corn is grown" Cavill p90
Low East Field	Low "Field not so high as neighbouring land" Cavill p262 This field borders a beck.
Low Field	"Land by or on a mound" Cavill p261

Low Field	"Field not so high as neighbouring land" Cavill p262
Low Field Bottom	"Field not so high as neighbouring land" Cavill p262
Low Flat Middle Flat Long Flat	Low "Field not so high as neighbouring land" Cavill P261 Middle, "Field lying between two others" [OE <i>mid</i> , <i>middle</i>] Cavill p278 Long, "Relatively long compared to adjacent fields" Cavill p258 Flat, "Level piece of land" [ON <i>flatr</i>] or "Division of the common field" [ON <i>flaf</i>] Cavill p144.
Low Garth	Low "Field not so high as neighbouring land" Cavill P261
Low Horselins & Horselins	" <i>lin</i> " ON <i>flax</i> . Poss "Horselease" pasture for horses?
Low Pasture	"Field not so high as neighbouring land" Cavill p262 This field lies between 100ft contour lines.
Low Stoney Field	"Land containing stone, or with stoney soil" Cavill p405
Lowfield	"Land by or on a mound" Cavill p261
Lowther Hall	Lowther family, Earls of Lonsdale?
The Lumber	"Either 'timber' or 'Odds and ends; encumbrances" Cavill p262
Lustran	"The first year of a lustrum" OED
Lustring Beck	To improve or add lustre to (cloth)
Lustrum	Lustrum "Period of five years" OED
Machine Field	"Land on which mechanical implement was used or housed" Cavill p264
Magdalen & East Magdalen Gutter	Allusions to land associated with institutions dedicated to St Mary Magdalen (care of lepers). Cavill p265. Gutter, "Water channel" Cavill p184
Mandales	This field is bounded by Mandale Beck on its western side. Mancroft, "Common land or woodland" [OE (<i>ge</i>) <i>mæne</i>] Cavill p268
Marsh, Little Marsh & Marsh Field	"Bog, boggy land" [OE <i>mersc</i>] Cavill p273
Mason & Coverdale High Field	Local names. High, "Uppermost open field, more elevated land, either "high" in a physical sense or in importance" Cavill P205.
Mason & Coverdale Low Field	John Mason is a landowner in this document, Thomas Coverdale is a land owner of Maltby in 1689. +DKG Low "Field not so high as neighbouring land" Cavill P261
Meadow	"Grassland mown for hay" Cavill p275
The Meets	"A gathering of riders and hounds for a hunt; a hunt". OED
Metcalf Close	William Metcalf resided in Maltby in 1814 +DKG

Mickle Mire Field	Mickle “Big piece of land of specified type” Cavill p277 Mire “Boggy” Cavill p282
Middle & Far Cockle Beds	“Land on which corn-cockle grew” Cavill p83
Middle & West Field	Relative position of fields.
Middle Field	Middle, “Field lying between two others” Cavill p278
Middle Gibbet	Middle “Field lying two others” Cavill p278 This field lies between Long Gibbet and Gibbet fields.
Middle Green	Middle “Field lying between others” Cavill p278 Green “Notably green piece of land, possibly marshy” Cavill p181
Middle Holin	Holin, (Hollin) “Hollies” OED
Middle Pasture	Middle, “Field lying between two others” Cavill p278
Middle Scalps	“A bare dry piece of stony ground; thin soil barely covering the rock beneath” ^EDD
Middle Stoney Field Bottom	This area marked as Stoney Field Bottom OS Durham L1859
Middle, High & High New Laid	New Laid, “Newly put down to grass” Cavill p297
Mill & Garden	High Leven Corn Mill OS Yorkshire 15, 1856
Mill Bank	“Land adjoining a mill” Cavill p279. “Land on, by, or containing slopes or embankments” Cavill p 20
Mill Garth/Bank/Hill/Wood	“Land adjoining, or containing a mill” Cavill p279
Miller’s Field	“Field occupied by the miller” Cavill p281
Millgin	Gin, “A windmill; a pump worked by sails as a windmill. Wind-mills or ginns to go by wind, <i>Compleat Collier</i> (1708) 28. n.Yks. (I.W.)” ^EDD
Missey	Missey, “Muddy land” Cavill p283 OS Durham XLV.SW shows pump on land.
Misses Salt Grass Misses Middle Field	Missey, “Muddy land” Cavill p283
Moat	“Land by a protective ditch or embankment, usually filled with water and surrounding a building” Cavill p282
Monk Hesleden	‘Hasel valley’. It was given to the community of St. Cuthbert around 915 by Tilred, abbot of Heversham. Elements and their meanings <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • hæsel (Old English) A hazel-tree. • denu (Old English) A valley. • munuc (Old English) A monk.

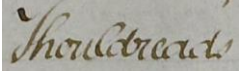
Moor End Pasture	Moor, "Barren waste land usually wet" [OE <i>mōr</i>] Cavill p286 This may indicate improved land.
Moorberries	Any of several plants of the genus Vaccinium (family Ericaceæ), esp. the bog bilberry" OED This would suggest wet, marshy ground.
Mount Pleasant	"A fairly common name throughout the country. The apparently complimentary name is often belied in its ironic application to unattractive places. Cavill p288
Nan Brown	Named after grandmother?
Near & Far Twin Field	"A field containing or adjoining the two features stated" Cavill p440
Near Close	"Land closer to homestead" Cavill p293.
Near House Field	"Alluding to land near the homestead" Cavill p211
Ned Stains	Name of previous occupier? Show as "Liable to flooding" OS Durham LVI.NE 1897 Later known as Black Bobbies Field see elsewhere.
New & Square Close	New, "Land newly taken into cultivation" Cavill p295 Square "A shape name, Geometrical precision is not required" Cavill p398
New Field	"Land newly taken into cultivation, or newly enclosed from common or open field" [OE <i>nīwe</i>] Cavill p294
New Garden & Garden	"Land used for horticulture or adjoining a domestic garden" Cavill p166.
New Laid	New Laid, "Newly put down to grass" Cavill p297
Newfield	New, "Land newly taken into cultivation, or newly enclosed from common" Cavill p295
Newlaid	"Newly put down to grass" Cavill p297
Newham Grange	<i>nīwe</i> [OE] New. <i>hām</i> [OE] A village, a village community, a manor, an estate, a homestead. <i>grange</i> [ME] A grange; originally a granary, a barn; later a farm; also, an outlying farm belonging to a religious house or a feudal lord, where crops were stored. KEPN
Night Fold	"Field for overnight grazing" Cavill p298
Nine Acres	"Common name for land of that acreage" Cavill p298
Nineteen Acres	This field is 17A 2R 38P, the name could be "alluding to an enclosure consolidating the stated number of strips of arable or pasture" Cavill p299
Noble	"Land valued for rent or purchase at one Noble. A noble was a gold coin with the value of 6 shillings and eight pence"
Nook	"Used to refer to corners of fields" Cavill p301
Nooking, West N, East N, North N & South N.	"Small (secluded) piece of land" Cavill p301 [Cited in Cavill] A place to go to for "Nooky"? ""Sexual activity or intercourse" Origin early 20C perhaps from Nook "OED

North & High Granny Garth	"Land reserved for the widow of the deceased owner" Cavill p179
North & South Redgate Field	"Land marked by a feature, or building coloured red" Cavill p354
North & South Bottom	North "Frequent name for Great field before enclosure" Cavill p303. Bottom "Land at a valley bottom" Cavill p40
North & South Flatt	"Flatt" Level piece of land [ON <i>flatr</i>] or Division of common field [ON <i>flaʃ</i>] Cavill p144
North East Field South East Field	"Indicating position relative to village or other fields" Cavill p302
North East Longlands South East Longlands South West Longlands North West Longlands	Compass point positions of: - "Land of greater length than the fields nearby, may be perceived rather than measured" Cavill p258
North Field	Field immediately to the N of the homestead.
North Moat	"Land by a protective ditch or embankment, usually filled with water and surrounding a building" Cavill p282
North Moor & Part of North Moor	Northern most area of moor, "Barren waste land usually wet" Cavill p286
North Pasture	North, this field lies to the N of the homestead. Pasture, "Grazing Land" Cavill p321
North, Middle & South Ellis Field	Ellis, name of previous occupier, this name is relatively common in the area. Compass direction of fields, could be divisions of the common field.
North, Moor, Middle, East & South Noble	"Land valued for rent or purchase at one Noble. A noble was a gold coin with the value of 6 shillings and eight pence" Cavill p300
North, South, South Mill Banks	Relative positions of fields that descend to the River Leven. Banks, "Land on, by, or containing slopes or embankments" Cavill p 20
Northley Field	Directional name.
Nut Gill	"Land on which nut trees grew" Cavill p304 Gill, "A ravine, a narrow valley" ^EDD
Oak Field Oaker Side	"Field near or containing an oak tree or oak trees" Cavill p305
Oak Wood	Wood containing oak trees
Occupation Road	"A private road for the use of the occupiers of certain land. OED
Octagon Close	Shape name, "Geometrical precision is not required in this or any other shape name" Cavill 398
Old Barn Field	"Site of an old, possibly, disused building" Cavill p307
Old Field/Meadow Field	"Disused land, or land for which the stated use is either of long standing or has been discontinued" Cavill P 307
Old Meadow Field	"Grassland mown for hay" Cavill p275

Old Pasture Field	Old "Land for which the stated use is of long standing, or has been discontinued" Cavill p307 Pasture "Grazing land" Cavill p321
Old Tillage	Old "Long standing use" Cavill p307 Tillage "Land for arable use" Cavill p427
Old Tillage Field	Old "Long standing use" Cavill p307 Tillage "Land for arable use" Cavill p427
Oliver Close	Oliver, "A tilt hammer having the arm or handle attached to an axle, worked with the foot by a treadle which brings the hammer down, and with a spring which raises it, used esp. in the shaping of nails, bolts, or links of chains." OED
Orchard	"Land containing a plantation of fruit trees" Cavill p309
Ox Close	"Land on which an ox was kept, or oxen pastured" Cavill p313
Paddock	"A small grass enclosure" [OE <i>pearroc</i>] Cavill p315
Paddock New Laid	Paddock, "A small grass enclosure" [OE <i>pearroc</i>] Cavill p315. New Laid, "Newly put down to grass" Cavill p297
Pan Close	"Land in a round depression" Cavill p316
Park	"A small grass enclosure" [OE <i>Pearroc</i>] Cavill p315
Park	"Land for beasts of the chase" Cavill p317
Pasture	"Grazing land" Cavill p321
Pea Field	"Land on which peas were grown" [OE <i>pise, peosu</i>] Cavill p322
Pear Tree Close	"Land producing pears, planted with pear trees" [OE <i>peru, oere-treowe</i>] Cavill p323
Peddlers Hill	"Land used by pedlars" Cavill p324
Pedlar's Hill Noble	Pedlar's Hill "Land used by pedlars" Cavill p324
Peg Close	peg-roots <i>n.</i> <i>Obsolete</i> a hellebore, probably <i>Helleborus niger</i> , used in setting cattle (cf. SETTERWORT <i>n.</i>). OED
Penny Pot Garth	"Perhaps a derogatory name or an indication of diminutive size, though some reference to an inn might be possible" Cavill p325.
Pepper Alley	"Land with or beside an Alley a bordered passage" Cavill p6
Pickersholme	Relative sizes of fields, Pickers "Land which comes to a point" Cavill p328.
Piece	"Portion, fragment" [ME <i>pece</i>] Small part of larger field detached, or an allotment to an individual Cavill p328
Pigeon Garth	"The site of a pigeon house" Cavill p328
Placeps	?

Placket	"Pocket or opening to a Pocket" OED. Plack, "Small piece of ground" Cavill p332
Plains	"A flat piece of land; an open area in a forest" [ME <i>plain</i>] Cavill p332
Plantation	"Nursery of young trees" Cavill p333
Pleasure Ground	Usually "Land attached to a great house, for the leisure enjoyment of the occupants" Cavill p334
Plump Field	"Land with clumps of vegetation, usually trees" Cavill p337
Pond Garth	Garth, "Enclosure, small plot of land" [ON <i>garðr</i>] Cavill p167
Potato Garth	"Potato Garth" Used for growing kitchen produce" Cavill p339
Potatoe Field	"Land on which potatoes were grown" Cavill p339
Potter Bank	"Land occupied, or used by a potter" Cavill p339
Pudding Nook Field	Pudding "Land with soft sticky soil" Cavill p343 Nook "Used to refer to corners of fields" Cavill p301
Pump Field	"Land on which a pump was situated" Cavill p343
Pump Garth	"Land on which a pump or water source is located" Cavill p343
Quarry Close Quarry Head	"Land with, or by, a quarry" Cavill p346
Quay Shore & Banks	"Land by or containing a quay or wharf" Cavill p347 "A man-made bank or landing stage, typically built of stone, lying alongside or projecting into water for loading and unloading ships." OED
Race Ground	"Land used for horse racing" Cavill p350
Railway Close	"Land beside or traversed by, a railway" Cavill p351
Ralph Harts	Possibly name of previous occupier. Ralph Hart of Hilton is named in the original probate files for June 1703. (6)
Rape Field	"Field in which rape is grown" Cavill p352
Reservoir Field	"Land by, or containing a reservoir of water" Cavill p355
Rickerby	"Land or field containing a stack of corn or hay" Cavill p356
Rid Field	"To clear (a way or space), <i>esp.</i> to clear (land) of trees, undergrowth etc" ~OED
Riffs	"A rift; a chink" OED. Possibly broken ground.
Rigg	A ridge of high ground, a long narrow hill, a hill-crest DSL

Great / Long Riggs	Rigg is a northern variant of "ridge" "Some early names refer to long narrow hills or ridges [OE <i>hrycg</i>] but later names refer to strips in common fields (a result of ploughing) Cavill p 357 There is no indication of height change or ridge in the OS maps.
Riley	Possibly miss spelling of "Raily" "land besides, or enclosed by, a railed fence" Cavill p351
Ripley Close	Possible personal name or "The Ripple" "" Strip of land, a boundary strip"" [OE <i>rippe</i>] Cavill p358
Road Field	"Land adjoining a road or roads" Cavill p358
Robin Hood Pond	This field contains a pond. "Alluding to the popular hero Robin Hood and indirectly to archery butts" Cavill p359
Rodger Close	"Anything large and ugly of its kind" ~DSL, ^EDD
Rope Walk, Ropery Lane	"Land on which ropes were made" Cavill p360
Rough Bottom	"Unploughable land, infertile waste land" "Scattered stones on fields so named may indicate archaeological sites" Cavill p360
Round Hill	"Usually a shape name, indicating a (nearly) circular piece of land or feature" Cavill p361 Can indicate a tumuli or earthwork.
Royal Leys	Royal (Royalty) "Land on which a payment has to be made by the lessee to the owner" Cavill p361
Ruffles & Little Field	Ruffles, "An insurrection; a skirmish, fight." ^EDD Little, this field is 11A+
Rye Close	Close, "An enclosed, quite small, piece of land" Cavill p79
Sal Field, Salt Grass	"Allusion to the production, storage, transport or sale of common salt" Cavill p367
Salter	"Field used by a salt-maker or salt merchant" [OE <i>saltere</i>] Cavill p367
Sand Hill	"Land with sandy soil or containing a sand pit" Cavill p368
Sand Hole Field, Sandy Field	"Land with sandy soil, or containing a sandpit" Cavill p368
Sadow Leys including road.	Sadow? Leys, "Fallow land" Cavill p253
Scalps.	"A bare dry piece of stony ground; thin soil barely covering the rock beneath" ^EDD
School Field	"Land containing or adjoining a village school or endowed for its support. Cavill p369
Scribe	"A teacher of handwriting". Obsolete. rare. OED Possibly land used to support a scribe or teacher.
Scriddler wood	Local wood name.

Scrogs	Scrog, "Chiefly <i>Scottish</i> and <i>northern</i> . A stunted bush; usually <i>plural</i> , brushwood, underwood" OED
Sea Banks Close	"Field at or near the edge of the sea" Cavill p371 "Land on, by, or containing slopes or embankments" Cavill p 20
Second & First Carr	Carr, "Boggy land, swamp, characterised by the growth of Alder and similar shrubs" or adjacent to such land". [ME <i>ker</i> < ON <i>kjarr</i>] Cavill p63
Second & First Marsh	"Bog, boggy land" Cavill p273
Second East Close	"Signifying that the field lies between the first and third divisions of a larger area" Cavill p372
Seed Field	"Land on which crops were grown for seed" [OE <i>sæd</i>] Cavill p373
Seeds	Seeds, "Area of sown grass" Cavill p373
Seven Acres	"Common acreage name" Cavill p373
The Sheep Garths	Garth "Enclosure, small plot of land" [ON <i>garðr</i>] Cavill p167 in which sheep are kept.
Shop End Garth	"Land by or containing a shed or workshop" Cavill p380
Shoulder of Mutton	"A shape name, an elongated triangle, alluding to the joint of meat" Cavill p380
Shoulreads	 The elaborate hand of the surveyor and dubious spelling caused some difficulty, but it was decided that the name was "Shouldered" This field butts up against a raised area, so could be said to "shoulder" it.
Shrives Field	"In Old English (const. dative.) To impose penance upon (a person); hence, to administer absolution to; to hear the confession of" OED. Person who would carry out the above.
Side Bank	Side, "Land alongside some feature such as a hill, stream, lake or road" Cavill p382. Bank, "Land on, by, or containing slopes or embankments" Cavill p 20
Sidgwick Pasture	Sedgewick, is the name of old landowner in the village. Sid "OE "Long, extensive" Cavill p491 Wic(k) OE "Specialised or Dairy Farm" Cavill p495
Simonside Homestead	1279, documentary reference to 'Simundessete'; by 1580 this had become 'Simontside', and it is thought by many that this is a corruption of 'Sigemund's - (ge)set, seat or settlement'. https://www.northumberlandnationalpark.org.uk/places-to-visit/coquetdale/simonside-hills/ but is equally applicable to Simonside, South Shields.
Slais	"Land in a marshy depression; a strip of marshy greensward" Cavill p385

Slack Field	Slack, "Land in a valley, depression" Cavill p385
Slake	"A stretch of muddy ground left exposed by the tide; a mud-flat." OED
Slack Field	Slack, "Land in a valley, depression" [ON <i>slakk</i>] Cavill p385
Slime (Dry at low water)	Low land by the river washed by the tide.
Smeesbury	Smees "A name variously assigned to the smew, widgeon, pochard, and scaup-duck. OED Bury, "Land containing or adjoining earthworks" Cavill p54
Smith's Field	"Land beside a forge or occupied by a smith" Cavill p389
Snook	"A projecting point or piece of land; a promontory." OED
Sneezebury	Adjacent fields are "Smeesbury", "Smee" "A name variously assigned to the smew, widgeon, pochard, and scaup-duck. OED "Bury" "Land containing or adjacent to earthworks" Cavill p54
South & North Homer Car	Homer "Names alluding to land near the homestead or village" Cavill p211 Carr, "Boggy land, swamp, characterised by the growth of Alder and similar shrubs" or adjacent to such land. Cavill p63
South Bank	"Land on, by, or containing slopes or embankments" Cavill p20
South Carnell	Carnell, "A heap" Scottish obsolete. OED
South Field	"Land on south side, or most southerly field" Cavill p393
South Mill Field, M.F. Bottom, North M, High M.F.	"Land adjoining or containing a mill" Cavill p279
South Moat	South Moat contains an earthwork and the Claxton Beck forms a moat on its W edge.
South Pasture	"Land on the S side of the parish, or of another piece of land" Cavill p393
South West & West Field	"Compass point name" Cavill p393.
Spring Close & Cowpasture	"Field by or containing a well or spring" Cavill p397 "Land on which cows were kept" Cavill p91
Spring Field & Short Land. Short Land	"Field by or containing a well or spring" Cavill p455 "Selion or enclosure of lesser length than its neighbours" Cavill p380
Square Field	Shape name "Geometrical precision is not demanded" Cavill p398. The field is in fact near square.
Stack Close	"Land containing a stack of hay or straw" Cavill p399
Stack field/Stackyard	"Land or field containing a stack of corn or hay" Cavill p356

Stallion Park	Park, "Enclosed tract of land for the beasts of the chase" Cavill p317
Starr Field	"Possibly alluding to shape, but in the north of England referring to sedge" [ODan <i>star</i>] Cavill p400
Stell Field North Stell Field South	"Enclosure, stream, fish-weir" Common name in Durham [OE <i>stell</i>] "A large open drain" *Cleveland Dialect Or, Stelling, "Cattle shelter" [OE <i>stelling</i>] Cavill p402
Stob	"A stake, post, a spike; a Gibbet, the stump of a tree" EDD
Stockton Field	This field lies alongside the Bridal Road to Stockton. OS Yorkshire 15, 1856, 540 31' 28" N 01 ⁰ 19' 27" W
Stone Bridge	There is a bridge in the NW corner of this field. OS Yorkshire 15, 1856, 54 ⁰ 31' 24" N 01 ⁰ 18' 56" W
Stonehouse Field	"Field near or containing a stone structure" Cavill p405
Stoney Field Bottom	"Land at the bottom of the valley" Cavill p40
Stoney Pasture	"Land containing stone, or thin stony soil" Cavill p404
Stoop Field	"Land by a way marker" [ON <i>stolpi</i> 'a post'] Cavill p405 This field has a footpath through it. OS Yorkshire 28, 1856
Strawberry Hill	"Land growing strawberries" 'some names doubtless referring to the wild berries' Cavill p406
Stripe	"Narrow piece of land" [OE <i>strip</i>] Cavill p407
Stripe	"Narrow piece of land" [OE <i>strip</i>] Cavill p407 This field is only "narrow" in comparison to adjoining field 157 and "stripe" may refer to the old open-field strips.
Stripe & James Close	Stripe, "Narrow piece of land" [OE <i>strip</i>] Cavill p407 Personal name, Close, "An enclosed, quite small, piece of land" Cavill p79
Sunnyside	"The side of a place or object which receives or tends to receive most sunlight." OED
Swagdale Pasture	Swag," To bend down in the middle as from overweight; to weigh down; to sink down; to warp." ^EDD Dale, "A portion or share of land; <i>spec.</i> a share of a common field, or portion of an undivided field indicated by landmarks but not divided off" OED
Swallow Hole	"Land by or containing swallow holes" [OE <i>swalg, swalwe</i>] Cavill p411. The underlying rock is Permian Limestone and is liable to dissolve and create sink holes.
Swans "*"	"Land on or near which swans were to be found" [OE <i>swan</i>] Cavill p411
Swang	"Swampy land, land containing wet hollows" Cavill p412 "A low, damp or -usually-somewhat boggy, tract of ground" ©Cleveland Dialect
Swine Garth	"Land on which pigs were kept" Cavill p413

Sword Field	Sword "Sedge, or Sword-grasse, <i>water-lisch</i> " OED
Taddle	Miss hearing of Toddle "Land frequented by foxes" [OE <i>todd</i>]; <i>todd-holes</i> are fox earths. Cavill p430
Tees Bank	This field descends to the River Tees. "Land containing slopes or embankments" Cavill p 20
Tees Hill	Tees, local river. "Land on or containing rising ground" Cavill p 206 50ft contour line passes through the field.
Tein Garth	"A tenth part of the produce of land or labour paid (voluntarily, or by legal enactment) for the support of religion" OED
Ten Acres	"A common acreage name" Cavill p417
Tenement & Garth Tenement	"Land occupied by tenants" Cavill p417
Tent Hill	"Field in which cloth stretching frames where sited" Cavill p415
The Acres	"Often alluding to arable open-field strips or selions, rather than an area of land" Cavill p2
The Cheviots	Possible reference to Cheviot sheep?
Third Part	Far, "Land at some distance from the village" Cavill p134
Thistley Field	"Land on which thistles abounded" Cavill p422
Three Corner Field	A field having three corners
Three Nooked Field	"Refers to corners of fields" Cavill p301 This field is roughly triangular.
Three Nooks	Nook "Used to refer to corners of fields" Cavill p301 This is a triangular field and has three corners.
Throstle	"Land on which Thrushes nested" Cavill p426 [Cited in Cavill]
Tile Flatt	"On which clay was dug for Tiles or containing a building hung with tiles or associated with their making Cavill p426
Tiplady	Tiplady is a local name and may have been a previous occupier/owner. +DKG
Tithe	"Land liable for, or exempt from, payment of tithe" Cavill p428
Tod Field	"Land frequented by foxes" [OE <i>todd</i> = fox] Cavill p430
Toddle	"Land frequented by foxes" [OE <i>todd</i>]; <i>todd-holes</i> are fox earths. Cavill p430
Tofts	Toft, "Originally, a homestead, the site of a house and its out-buildings; a house site. Often in the expression toft and croft , denoting the whole holding, consisting of the homestead and attached piece of arable land." OED
Tommy Field	"Land shared by the inhabitants of the village" Cavill p430
Top of Wood	"Field highest above a stated feature" Cavill p432
Town End/Townend	"Land at the end of the village" Cavill p432

Town Field	"A separate or detached portion of probably a once larger field" "Town Piece" +A-Z
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Trenholm Field	Trenholm, possible previous occupier/owner, name mentioned in 18C local wills. +DKG
Trod Field	"A trodden way; a footpath, path, way. <i>dialect.</i> " OED
Tunstall	"The site of a farm" [OE <i>tūn-stall, tūn-stede</i>] Cavill p435
Turnip Garth	"Land on which turnips were grown" Cavill p437
Turnpike Field	"Land near or adjacent to a toll road" Cavill p437
Twelve Acres	"Common name for a field of the stated area" Cavill p438
Tyzick's Close	Tyzick, is an old Greatham family name. "Enclosed, usually quite small, piece of land" Cavill p79
Under the Hill	"Field lying below the named feature" Cavill p442
Viewly Hill Middle Viewly Hill Far Viewly Hill	Viewly "Pleasant or attractive in appearance." Now <i>rare</i> (chiefly <i>English regional (northern)</i> in later use). OED
Waken Beggar	Waken, "To cause to become weak; to reduce in strength, power, or efficacy; to diminish, hinder or harm" * DSL Beggar, "May refer to worthless land, such as would reduce its owner to beggary" Cavill p27
Walker Close	Name of previous occupier or "Field occupied by a fuller; site of a fulling mill" Cavill p449
Wamless	Old English <i>wam(m)</i> , <i>wqm(m)</i> , masculine and neuter, spot, blemish (OED)
Warren	"Land set aside for the breeding of rabbits or hares" [ME <i>wareine</i>] Cavill p451
Wash House	A bath-house. <i>Obsolete. rare.</i> OED
Waste (Overflows)	"Disused or useless land" Cavill p452 Regularly flooded land.
Wastes	"Disused or useless land', or land that was not demesne land or let to tenants in the medieval village economy" Cavill p452
Watering Place	"Name alluding to the watering of stock, irrigation systems or general water supplies" Cavill p453
Watershaus	"Field associated with a pond or irrigation system" Cavill p452
Way	Way, "Land beside a road" [OE <i>weg</i>] Cavill p453

Well Close	“Field by or containing a well or spring” Cavill p455 “Frequently occurring generic name denoting an enclosed, usually quite small, piece of land” Cavill p79
Well Field/ Wellfield	“Field by, or containing, a well or spring” Cavill p455
West & North West	“Compass point name” Cavill p393.
West & North West Moor	Moor, “Barren waste land usually wet” Cavill p286.
West Close	Field to the west of the homestead.
West Field	This field is at the western extremity if the parish.
West Old Field	Possibly “Name of one of the common fields before enclosure” Cavill p455
West Pasture	Field immediately to the west of the homestead
Westfield	“Compass point directional name” Cavill p393
Westley Field	West Field “Frequent name of one of the common fields before enclosure” Cavill p455
Westmoor, West Moor	Moor, “Barren waste land usually wet” Cavill p286
Westoe	An essay on the Place Names of County Durham concludes the name is derived from the two Anglo-Saxon words <i>wifes</i> , „women“, and <i>stow</i> , „habitation “(<i>Wivestoua</i>). This explains the name given in the Boldon Book and also an entry in a 1559 Indenture of Chantery and Forfeited Lands in Durham (again from Flagg), giving Westoe “seven rigges of arable lands in the fields and territories of Westow, called the Ladies Landes”. The reasons behind these female origins are worthy of further investigation.
Wheat Field	“Field in which wheat was grown or stacked” Cavill p456
Wheat Riggs	Riggs, (Ridge) there is a contour line running through this field, which could indicate a ridge.
Whinney Hill/Fields etc	“Land on which gorse abounded” [ON <i>hwin</i>] Cavill p457
White Crofts/Close etc	“White, pale” [OE <i>hwif</i>] in some early modern names, the sense of <i>white</i> is “infertile”. Cavill p458
Widcar	Wid, “Of great extent, vast, extensive in area, spacious in all directions” DSL. Car, “A pond or pool; a bog or fen; now, usually, wet boggy ground; a meadow recovered by draining from the bog. OED
Willey Garth	“Land containing Willow trees” Cavill p460
Winn’s Close	Possible previous owners name, or “Land on which gorse abounded” Cavill p457 “Enclosed, usually quite small, piece of land” Cavill p79
Winter Field	“Field growing a winter-sown crop; land used or usable especially in winter” Cavill p462

Wisley	Wisley "Clearing by a marshy meadow" [OE <i>wisse</i> , marshy meadow + <i>ley</i>] Brewers
Wood	"A collection of trees growing more or less thickly together (esp. naturally, as distinguished from a <i>plantation</i>), of considerable extent, usually larger than a <i>grove</i> or <i>copse</i> (but including these), and smaller than a <i>forest</i> ; a piece of ground covered with trees, with or without undergrowth. [OE <i>wudu</i>] OED
Wood Close/Field/End etc	"Land adjoining a wood" Cavill p464
Wood Head Field	"Common name for land adjoining a wood" [OE <i>wudu</i>] Cavill p464.
Woods	Thornaby High Wood "Senses relating to trees or woodland" OED
Wylam	"At the traps" [OE <i>wīl</i>] A wile, a trick; used of a gin, a trap, a snare. EPNS
Yard	"Small enclosure" Cavill p469 [OE <i>geard</i>]
Yellow Garth	"Alluding to the colour of the field, derived from soil or crops" Cavill p469
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