

# Slaley, Healey & Minsteracres Local History Group

## Slaley Village 'Townhead Area' by Pat Wilson

**Monday 29th September 2025**

7.30 p.m. Slaley Commemoration Hall.  
£4 adults 50p anyone in full time education.

The September talk will cover Townhead area of Slaley village, those of you who have joined me for my Slaley talks before know that we will cover very little area during the allocated meeting hour, therefore the village will be split into three talks. During COVID restrictions in March 2021 the B6306 from Linnels to Colpitts was covered by a ZOOM presentation, then 'A Journey along the C275' was presented in November 2023. This talk is not only about what you can see today, but how the generations before us lived, worked and spent their leisure time. Maps, aerial photographs, printed records, census returns, gravestones, religion, newspaper reports, planning applications, local magazines, photographs & postcard evidence will be used to look back into Slaley's history.



Hexham Courant 18/7/2019 issue - Looking back 100 years = 1919

Hexham Rural Council heard from its sanitary inspector that some residents of Slaley obtained their water from a well in a field some 200 yards from the main road, while others got theirs from a pump in a field at the opposite side of the road. One farmer drew his water from a well 640 yards from his house. Above **Slaley Trekking Well** in 1913 with Maude Dart (Aunt of Barry Dart & Jean Ridley, Flothers Farm).

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