

**Crag Cottages A0185**

Site Type	bastle (remains)
Site Name	Crag Cottages
Other Name(s)	
Ownership	Ridley Stokoe, Tarsset, Hexham, NE48 1LG
Related Sites	

## LOCATION

National Grid Reference	NY 7526 8557	Km Square	NY 7585
TAG 2006 Atlas : Map	L2	Air Photo. No	Run F—OS/74062—113

Modern Parish	Greystead
Historic Parish & Township	Greystead -- Smalesmouth

## LISTINGS

Scheduled Ancient Monument	x	Listed	x
National Monument Record	78 NE 27	English Heritage Pastscape	1388127
Historic Environment Record	7003	HVA	x
Grundy	GREY 14		

## EVIDENCE

Extant Remains
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## DESCRIPTION

There is a row of ruined cottages above Stokoe Craggs, and once called Crag Cottages for that reason. The main building measures about 33 feet by 20 feet and still has some thick walling, as high as 8 feet in places. This was undoubtedly a bastle, but the building adjoining to the its east is puzzling. It measures 40 feet long, but is only 15 feet wide. It is therefore more like a long house, but its construction is very bastle-like, and there is a partly-blocked gun loop in its gable wall. [Pastscape]

Ryder in Frodsham (2004) writes : Stokoe Craggs introduces us to another interesting subject the development of farmsteads in the post bastle period , to produce an elongate range of buildings, the classic linear farm so characteristic of most of the country before the Agrarian revolution of c1800. At Stokoe Craggs the first addition, built on to the entrance end of the original bastle/house was a rather longer building provided with a cross-passage set against the end wall of the earlier structure.... Later still the range was extended by another block, almost certainly a barn or byre ; beyond this comes the final ruinous section of the line of building , but here the walls are thicker again, hinting that there may have been a second bastle here. The farm seems to have been abandoned around the beginning of the Nineteenth century and, lying remote from any road , has seen little interference since.

[ A plan and drawings are attached, p270]

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IMAGES

None.

NOTES

No Public Access

REFERENCES

	Frodsham, P.(2004) <i>Archaeology in Northumberland National Park</i> . Council for British Archaeology, Research Report 136. York. ISBN 1-902771-38-9.	
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