

Manor History File

Manor Name	BACKWORTH
Alias	
Honour/Lordship	Tynemouth Lordship
Ownership	Described by NCH as a township in the manor of Tynemouth, though possessed by Tynemouth priory later than the others in the manor, it is included as part of Tynemouthshire in an 1189 charter (NCH IX, p.32). It was held from them by the Backworth family. In 1241 Robert son of Stephen quit-claimed a carucate of Backworth to the prior for forty shillings, and the priory was able to create a monastic demesne, and a manorial hall, making Backworth one of the ten manors belonging to Tynemouth priory (NCH IX, pp.32-33). A fourteenth century lease shows the old bondage system passing into a tenancy system (NCH IX, p.38). Though NCH lists a number of holders of land in Backworth after the dissolution it does not state the lord of the manor. Kelly gives the lord of the manor and principal landowner as the duke of Northumberland (Kelly, 1921, p.116). It was perhaps sold to the Percy family with other manors after the priory of Tynemouth was dissolved.
Courts	
Sources	Kelly, E.R, (1921), Kelly's Directory of Northumberland, p.116. Northumberland County History (1909) Vol. IX, pp.25-43.
Records Held By Northumberland Archives	No records known.
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