

Things to do and see in Morpeth

The Chantry – a 13th century chapel, is now home to the Tourist Information Centre, England's only Bagpipe Museum and Morpeth Local Crafts Centre. This is a good place to find local information, maps and gifts. The Chantry Tea Room makes home-made food to eat in or take-away.

Sanderson Arcade – smart selection of shops and cafes, built after the floods in 2008 and opened in 2009 by Joanna Lumley.

Court House – just south of the main bridge, which was built by Thomas Telford in the 1830's, is the former Court House built in 1822 by John Dobson. It is currently used as an antiques shop.

St Mary's Church is a fifteen minute walk south along the main road towards Newcastle. The grave of Emily Wilding Davison, the suffragette who campaigned for women to get the vote, is here. Her gravestone bears the epitaph "Deeds not words".

Market Place. The town was given permission to hold a market in 1199, which was especially important for the buying and selling of cattle, and by the mid-18th century it was one of the most important cattle markets in the country.

Oldgate: this street dates from 1239. There is a 17th century clock bell tower and the Georgian **Collingwood House**, home of Admiral Lord Collingwood of Trafalgar fame. The **cheese shop** is also here.

Morpeth Castle: only part of the 12th century curtain wall and 14th century gatehouse remain.

Carlisle Park offers a variety of walks and activities. Extending along the southern bank of the river, it has the **William Turner Garden**, an aviary, a paddling pool, playground, an ancient woodland, tennis courts, bowling greens, a skate park and a statue to Emily Davison. The park has one of the only four floral clocks in England.

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