

Foreword

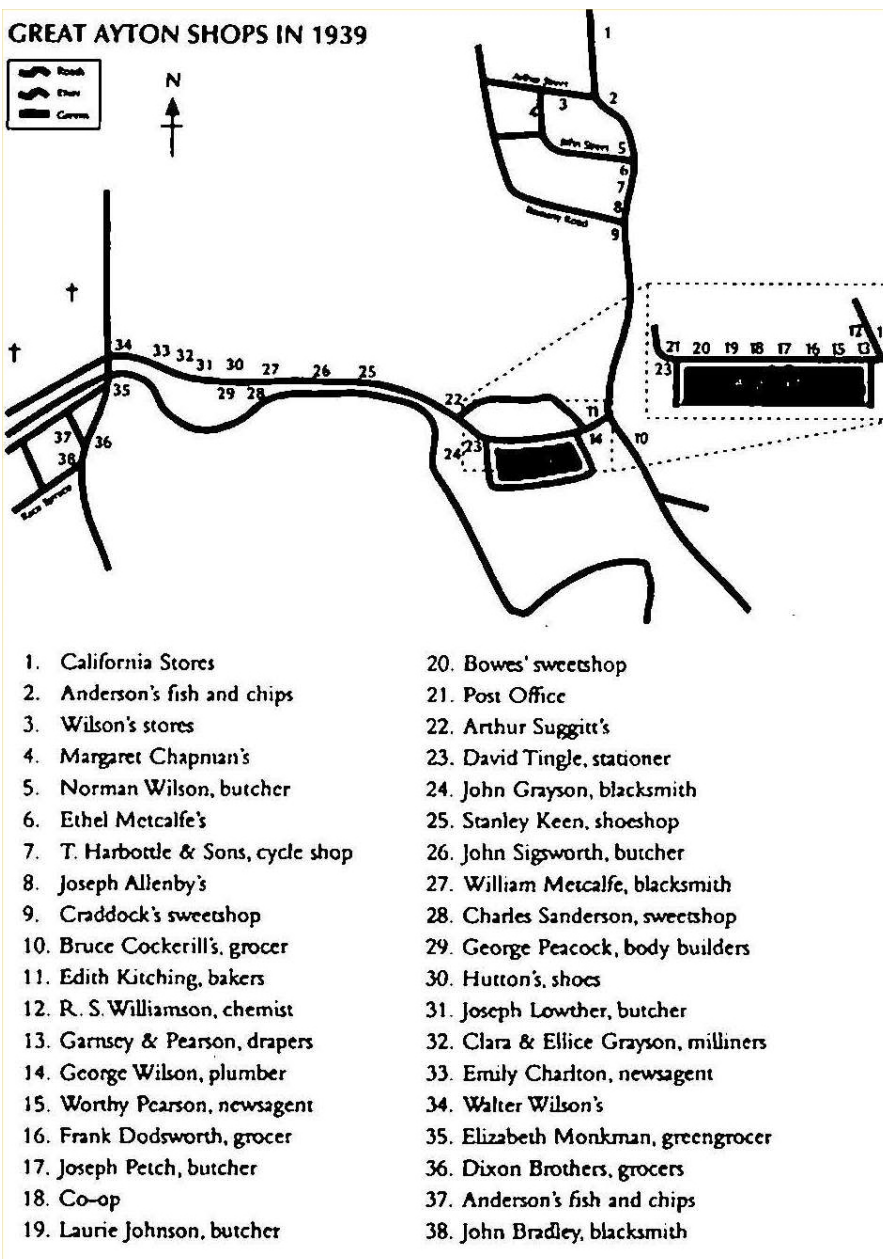
I have allowed the word “shops” to include all shops, pubs, restaurants and small businesses (e.g. plumbers).

I have divided Great Ayton shops into the areas:

- High Street facing the High Green
- High Street near Low Green
- High Street shops facing the River Leven
- High Green Arcade
- Low Green
- Park Square
- Station Road
- Newton Road

And produced sheets for each area that include old photographs; a list of shops in 1939; a google map of the area showing the present shop locations; a list of the shops in 2008-10 with photographs and appropriate history.

History of the shops prior to 1939



The book “Great Ayton - A History of the Village” by Dan O'Sullivan provides some of the history of the shops prior to 1939.

“Before the war the village was perhaps more of a village than it is today, with a far smaller percentage of commuters to Teesside, and more local employment available, both in shops and in domestic or agricultural service. The village shops, which mostly made their own deliveries, were numerous, and used by practically everyone. There was, for instance, in Bridge Street, the grocery of Dixon Brothers, employing about eight assistants. A house since pulled down, at the entrance to Farndale's Yard, was Moody's Cleveland Stores, and at the other end of the village were the Coop, Dodsworth's and Cockerell's. The business started by Worthington Pearson flourished, although he himself had died in 1927. Horses were still very important, and there were three blacksmiths: William Metcalfe, at what is now Beech Close, John Bradley in Bridge Street, and John Grayson - the last to go - next to the waterfall. There were also shoe-makers (the Huttons, and Oliver Jackson at Marwood Cottages), carriage upholsterers (George Peacock on the High Street), pastry cooks, milliners, drapers and many others. Undoubtedly the village felt

itself to be a community. When, in 1938, the Post Office laid down that henceforth 'Middlesbrough' was to be part of the Great Ayton postal address, there was an outcry from villagers who felt they had little in common with neighbouring Teesside".

These can be divided into different types:

Refreshments			
	Pubs	3	Royal Oak, The Buck Inn, Tile Sheds (renamed to Newton Rose around the year 2000)
	Takeaway	2	Anderson's Fish & Chips (2)
Food/Drink			
	Grocers	5	Bruce Cockerill, Frank Dodsworth, Co-op, Dixon Brothers, Walter Wilson's
	Convenience Stores	2	California Stores, Wilson's Stores,
	Bakery	1	Edith Kitching
	Butchers	5	Norman Wilson, Joseph Petch, Laurie Johnson, John Sigsworth, Joseph Lowther
	Green grocers	1	Elizabeth Monkman
	Sweetshop	3	Craddock's, Bowes, Suggitt's, Charles Sanderson
General			
	Chemist	1	R S Williamson
	Newsagent	2	Worthy Pearson, Emily Charlton
	Post Office	1	Post Office
	Funeral Services	1	Harbottles Joiners & Funeral Director (not marked above?)
	Bikes	1	T Harbottle & Sons
	Draper	1	Garnsey & Pearson
	Milliner (hats)	1	Clara & Ellis Grayson
	Plumber	1	George Wilson
	Stationer	1	David Tingle
	Shoe Shop	2	Stanley Keen, Hutton's
	Blacksmith	3	William Metcalfe, John Bradley, John Grayson (last one remaining – put out his fires in around 1970)
	Body Builders & Carriage upholsterers	1	George Peacock
	General Stores	3	Margaret Chapman's, Ethel Metcalfe's, & Joseph Allenby's

2010 Shops, Pubs & Restaurants



The 2010 shops can be divided into different types:

Refreshments			
	Pubs	3	Royal Oak*, The Buck Inn**, Newton Rose
	Restaurants	5	Casey's Brasserie, Joplins, Whinstone View, Royal Oak*, The Buck Inn**
	Cafes	4	No 5 Coffee House, Tally's Café, Coffee Bean, Suggitt's***
	Takeaway	3	Ayton's Fish & Chips, Gullivers Fish & Chips, Vinos
Food/Drink			
	Supermarkets (inc newspapers/alcohol)	2	Co-op, McColls
	Convenience Stores (inc newspapers/alcohol)	2	The Alternative Store, Ayton Store
	Bakery	1	Sam's Home Bakery
	Butchers	2	D Petch, Stokesley Butchers
	Green grocers	1	Johnson's Fruiterers
	Sweet shop	1	Suggitt's***
	Delicatessen	1	The Captain's Deli
	Eggs	1	School Farm
Personal Services			
	Health & Beauty	3	Body Bliss, The Sanctuary, Amethyst
	Hairdressers	5	Heads, Jennifer Jayne, Park Rise Ladies Hair Saloon, Walkers Hair, Watson-Wright
	Dentist	1	Alpha Dental Studio
Gift Stores		3	Coopers Gifts, Willow Home & Gifts, The Premier Collection
Garage Services			
	Car maintenance	2	A.M.R, Autos, D.F. Motors
	Fuel	1	Great Ayton Service Station
General			
	Bank	1	Natwest
	Chemist	1	Coopers Chemist
	Hardware	1	Thompsons
	Newsagent/Post Office	1	Worthy Pearson
	Florist	1	Bloomarie Florist
	Dress Shop	1	Seasons
	Seamstress	1	Spinning Wheel
	Funeral Services	1	Ayton & District Funeral Service
	Books	1	Book Emporium
	Computers	1	Ayton Computers
	Bikes & Running	2	BikeTraks, Cleveland Runner
	Solicitors	1	Kitching, Kneale & Co
Accommodation			
	Guest House	1	Royal Oak*
	B&B	2	Susie D's B&B (116 Newton Road), Bridge Guest House (5-9, Bridge Street), Traveller's Rest (97, High Street)
Small businesses			
	Taxis	3	Roseberry Cabs (established since 2000, Station Yard), Ayton Taxis (25, Greenacre Close), H B Cabs (9, The Hawthorns)
	Painter & Decorator	3	John Hunton (4, Roseberry Drive), Colin Gregg (25, Angrove Close), Nigel Atkinson (59a, High Street)
	Plumbers	1	Ayton Plumbing & Heating Services (5, Arthur Street)
	Builders	3	Ayton Building Services Ltd (16, Easby Lane), J Pearson (6, Park Square), Paul Atkinson (16, Greenacre Close)



	Paving & Driveways	2	Ace Paving (Harland Hill, Little Ayton), Michael Atkinson (9, Linden Grove)
	Carpenters	3	Atkinson Richard Joinery (31, Arthur Street), LJC Joinery Services (22, Roseberry Crescent), W Harbottle & Sons (15, Station Road)

* The Royal Oak acts as a pub, restaurant and a guest house.

** The Buck Inn acts as a pub and a restaurant.

*** Suggitt's is both a sweet shop and a café.

Businesses not included on the location reviews

<p>Grenhow Hill Farm, Pannierman Lane AMR Auto Gas Proprietor: Andrew Reid AMR Autos used to be located on Newton Road, dating back to the 1970's, but moved to Stokeskey around the year 2000 with a block of flats replacing the garage space. AMR Autos moved back to Great Ayton in about 2007.</p>	<p>B1292 Just outside Gt Ayton Whinstone View Bistro The Bistro offers a variety of dining areas including alfresco dining in the summer months in the patio area and on the terrace and a real flame fire for cosy winter nights. This business started about 20 years ago. For a time it was necessary to sign in but then its license was enhanced so it acted as a extra pub for Great Ayton, and had the name "Whinstone Caravan and Camping Park". Since about 2005 it switched to being a bistro, with the need to eat as well as drink. Luxury lodges have been built in the grounds and caravans</p>
	

Differences between 1939 and 2010

The shops that have disappeared between 1939 to 2010 include: drapers; milliners; stationers; shoe shops; blacksmiths; body builders & carriage upholsterers.

The new shops in 2010 include: cafes; restaurants; bakery; delicatessen; health & beauty; hair dressers; dentist; gift shops; garage services; bank; hardware store; florist; dress shop; seamstress; book shop; computer shop; solicitors.

Reference: "Great Ayton – A History of the Village" by Dan O'Sullivan