

Whitehills & District Community Council



Rocks

The rocky foreshore at Whitehills has always proved fascinating for villagers and visitors alike. The more prominent rocks have all been given names.

SCAPPAS CRAIG - Close to the shore and situated between the site of the old harbour and The Hythe.

FITE COO (White Cow) - Beyond that the rock island known as "Cable Tail". Situated on this rock is a metal mooring ring which was used to fasten cables to assist sailing vessels exiting the harbour.

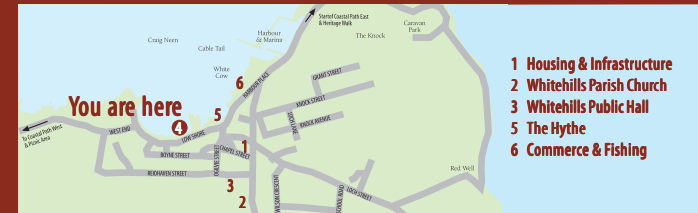
ROCKIN' CRADLE - A huge rock which seems to rest on a small ridge of rocks.

SCOTTIES CRAIG - Partly on the beach and partly on the grassy embankment opposite the dwelling house Craigneen Cottage. "Scotties Craig", was presumably named after a local resident.

CRAIGNEEN - A long rocky structure which forms the western boundary of the bay. This rocky peninsula is composed of high rocks on the east side with a sheer drop into the sea. The rock slopes gently westwards and contained within this area is a range of large deep pools populated with a wide variety of small fish, crabs and other sea creatures.

HIGH MONUMENT - Near the foot of the low cliffs at an area known as the "Foulka", is an outstanding rock structure known as the "High Monument". This rocky pillar always proved a challenge for youthful climbers.

Further west of the village is another rocky headland stretching out into deep water, known as "Stake Ness". Proposals to develop this area as a nuclear power station were happily abandoned.



Main picture:
View from Craigneen
1. The "wall" or well
2. The Shore
3. Ebb Tide