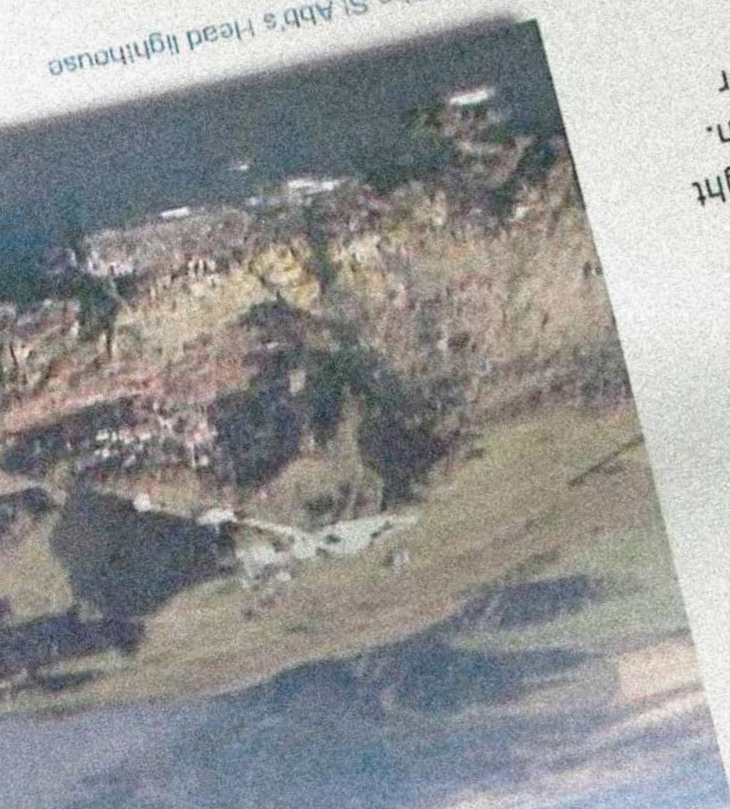


The St Abb's Head lighthouse
 which was originally used
 in 1862. Up until 1966, it
 was built on three full-



Traces of our past
 Aebbe, daughter of
 Aethelfrith, the first
 King of Northumbria
 (at that time all the
 land from the Humber
 to the Forth) was
 abbess of a monastery
 on Kirk Hill from 643 to
 her death around 680.
 Cuthbert, the patron saint of Northumbria, was a visitor to
 the monastery, spending contemplative nights immersed
 in the sea. After Aebbe's death, the monastery was
 accidentally burned down and never replaced. Very slight
 traces of it can still be seen.
 Aebbe was sainted for
 her name was
 later given to this
 headland and the
 neighbouring vil-



St Abb's village

St Abb's Head

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'Saints and Seabirds'



s NNR lies on the Berwickshire coast, five
 north of Eyemouth. From the A1 follow the
 signposted as the Berwickshire Coastal Trail.



National Trust for Scotland is an independent
 aim of conserving, managing and
 and natural heritage
 to enable

red pink and
 hills we know today as the Southern Uplands, with the
 and squeezed into folds. For millions of years these
 sediments in between were pushed up into mountains
 attached, gradually moved towards the European
 wide ocean called the Iapetus separated Scotland and
 deposited underwater as layers of mud at a time when a
 To the west are sedimentary rocks. They were
 weakness between two very different types of rock.
 Pettico Wick lies on the St Abb's Head fault – a line of

Stories in stone

St Abb's Head

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Formed by active volcanoes, St Abb's Head is the best
 known landmark along the magnificent Berwickshire coast.
 The sheer cliffs, offshore stacks and narrow gullies provide
 beauty and a habitat for some outstanding wildlife. St Abb's
 Head is owned and managed by The National Trust for
 Scotland. It is designated a Site of Special Scientific
 Interest (SSSI), a National Nature Reserve (NNR),
 a Special Protection Area (SPA) for its seabird
 interest and the intertidal area is part of
 a marine Special Area of
 Conservation (SAC).

