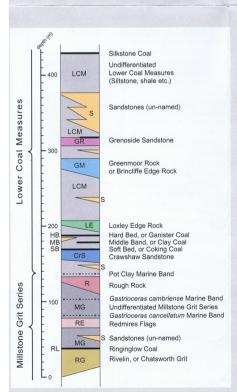


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The Porter Valley was once the home of many small coal mines and stone quarries of all shapes and sizes. This is easily overlooked, since the upper parts of the valley are so rural now, and the lower parts are mainly built-up, but the evidence is still there for those who trouble to go and look for it.

This leaflet describes some of the evidence. It is not given in the form of an itinerary, but it is easy enough to devise a route which will encompass many of the sites described.

The geological column shows the main productive sandstone units and coal seams: some of the intervening shales were also once worked for brick clays.

This leaflet is based on a full 44 page report, Mining and Quarrying in the Porter Valley – Delving into the Past. There is also a leaflet titled The Geology of the Porter Valley – what lies beneath our feet?, based on a full 45 page report of the same title. Copies of these Reports are available for the cost of the printing. The Reports are aimed at the general reader, and may be obtained from the Hon. Secretary, Friends of the Porter Valley, Flora Owen, 42, School Green Lane, Sheffield, S10 4GQ.

