

Autonomous Community / Department / State	ENGLAND
Town	HYTHER
Building	Saint Leonard's Church
Adress	
	51.072986 1.083654
Protection	
Description	The large 11th century church is up the hill; the tower at its eastern end was destroyed by an earth tremor in 1739 and restored in 1750. The chancel, from 1220, covers a processional ossuary (a bone store, more commonly found on the continent) lined with 2,000 skulls and 8,000 thigh bones. They date from the medieval period, probably having been stored after removal, to make way for new graves. This was common in England, but bones were usually dispersed, and this is thus a rare collection. Several of the skulls show marks of trepanning. This is one of only two surviving ossuaries in England; the other is in Holy Trinity church in Rothwell, Northamptonshire. WIKIPEDIA (28-09-2017)
Bells	
Pictures	1
Current bell ringing	
Conservation, maintenance	
Proposals	
Authors of the documentation	
Date	

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