Axminster – A fascinating East Devon Market Town

In the late Iron Age, the Axe Valley was the boundary between the tribes of Dumnonii (in Devon and Cornwall) and Durotrigan (in Dorset and Somerset). Today, [illegible] is a popular destination for visitors of the surrounding countryside and is in between the Axminster area has [illegible] Castle Hill and Castle Hill and Castle Hill.

[illegible] developed in the Anglo-Saxon period with [illegible] first recorded in AD 1020. The Minster Church was first mentioned in [illegible] was recorded on the town's shield [illegible] to the town of Wessex, including remains of the original church and the earliest part of the present church is the carved Norman doorway.

Fire has shaped the town. During the English Civil [illegible] was the most destroyed town in England when all but the Minster was razed to the ground by Parliamentarian forces. Again in 1760 a fire in Market Place [illegible] was damaged but was rebuilt from surviving [illegible] Axminster was being home to [illegible] to organise the town centre, providing the space [illegible] and create [illegible] figure is now known today.

The Market Charter for Axminster was granted in 1253. Axminster's market was held in the [illegible] including sheep fairs, and fairs.

Axminster still a weekly produce market on Thursdays in Trinity Square, the town in accordance with accepts the Fair Axminster carpet was created in 1755 by Thomas Whitty as a factory behind the house in West Street. After its [illegible] the original factory was [illegible] Wilton Road, a carpet factory running [illegible] Axminster has [illegible] problems are [illegible] A [illegible] Axminster Carpet factory [illegible] Axminster Carpets [illegible] and is a key factory [illegible] Axminster Carpets [illegible] Axminster Heritage Centre [illegible] Axminster.