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The legend of the Hairy Hand.

Here at the top of Hartland Tor there's an amazing view of Postbridge and the East Dart valley and from here we can see various locations where a number of Dartmoor myths and legends take place.

And I suppose we could start with the most famous one that involves Postbridge and that of course is the *hairy hands*. Now as Dartmoor myths and legends go, this is a fairly modern one in so much as it dates back to the early 1900s when a lot of motorists driving in the Cherrybrook Bridge area complained of hairy hands suddenly gripping their own hands and wrenching the steering wheel from their grasp and causing them to crash at the side of the road.