

Minutes for 2 meetings at Ann Blaine's home. 14th and 23rd July 2015

Present 1. Tuesday 14th July 2015 Jane, Martin, Gaynor, Nigel and Ann Blaine

Present 2. Thursday 23rd July 2015 Gaynor, Nigel and Ann

Character of Shearsby group - salient points discussed

Nigel will report on the group's findings after the final meeting.

1. Whole parish to be defined, area – follow boundary line.
2. Rural setting, majority open farmland with outlying farms.
3. Recognise farms and buildings away from village.
4. Rework character statement of the village from 2001 to bring up to date.
5. Main settlement, village itself and setting, built environment etc.
6. Note significant buildings and status. Where the pub or church may close - make reference to Localism Act 2011 – Harborough Council policy on assets of community value etc.
7. Note hedgerows and native tree species.
8. We could possibly liaise with the village history group if relevant factors needed to be included.
9. We will try to include identifying features of our built environment e.g. types of roof etc.
10. We discussed the need for a further survey of residents but decided our group will be reporting on streetscape and built environment which does not need opinion or abstract views.
11. We ought to have a good relationship with HDC regarding any proposals that could affect the village in the future. They could advise us at an early stage when approached by a prospective developer or architect. Our local councillor may be able to help in this area.
12. Nigel will write a profile of the parish and village to be discussed at our next meeting at Gaynor's home. Date of next meeting to be arranged.