

**SHARRINGTON CONSERVATION AREA: (Designated 8/6/74)**  
**FORM AND CHARACTER DESCRIPTION**

**1.0** Sharrington is a small but widely dispersed and loose knit village set in open and quite flat countryside in an Area of High Landscape Value. Village properties have been built alongside fields and the large amount of open countryside between these buildings is an important feature which allows the village to retain its rural character. Sharrington Hall occupies a central position in the settlement and roads radiate from this point. Clusters of buildings appear where these radial roads form junctions with peripheral roads. High hedges, fields, ponds and ditches are characteristic features of the Conservation Area, the hedges preventing any overall appraisal of the settlement from a single point. Of the clusters of buildings found in the settlement, that incorporating the church and the village cross is the oldest and most significant. Sharrington Hall with its attendant barns and outbuildings forms another important visual and historic focal point, while Daubeney Hall Farm with its colourwashed long house and barns breaks the layout pattern by being sited on the side of the road connecting the Sharrington Hall group to the church group and the historic village cross. The remaining groups of buildings are comprised mainly of modest two storey Victorian cottages interspersed with more recent dwellings. Many of the buildings are built hard up to the edge of the highway, a factor which, together with high hedges and the absence of footpaths, contributes intermittently to a feeling of enclosure along the village's lanes. Materials found in Sharrington are typical of those used in the central parts of North Norfolk District, namely red brick, flintwork and red and black glazed clay pantiles.

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