

# Heritage Statement for The Shoulder of Mutton

## 2 Dunford Rd, Holmfirth, HD9 2DP

**Project:** The Shoulder of Mutton PH,  
2 Dunford Rd,  
Holmfirth  
HD9 2DP

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Prepared by the agent (Bridgewater Group) to support a planning application installation of external aluminium pergola with louvered roof with power for heating and lighting to existing patio.



**Site & Surrounding Area:** The site is located within the town center of Holmfirth; A picturesque village in Yorkshire, nested deep into the heather moorland of the Peak District. The village is famous as the place where Last of the Summer Wine, a long-running British TV comedy was filmed. It has several independent shops and bars giving the town its unique identity, making it a very popular tourist location for both days and weekends.

**Current Use:** The property is a licensed premise public house owned by Star Pubs and Bars with mangers accommodation on the first floor and beer garden to front and rear.

**Statement of Significance:** Having researched the Shoulder of Mutton PH, the village of Holmfirth and the surrounding area, we have been unable to find any other information other than the public house is sandstone built, with a stone slate roof. It first appears on maps as a public house from 1892. However, in 1803 the first licensee of The Shoulder of Mutton is listed in the surviving Brewster Session Record and some historians believe the building dates back further to 1788. This building is not listed, however lies within the Conservation Area of Holmfirth within Kirklees and close to other buildings with historical value. The area was defined as such in 1972 and was formed to protect the heritage created with the late Georgian/Victorian Mills, which was the basis of the wealth that the area was built from.

Our proposed works are intended to enhance and improve the property and its external areas. The proposal will have no impact on the appearance or historical fabric of the existing building and as there are only minor proposed alterations to the existing rear external drinking area and no alterations to the existing frontage, there should be no change to the archaeological, architectural, artistic, or historic value of the building in this conservation area.