

Sheep Wash behind North Farm

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The age of the Harthill sheep wash is unknown. However, the process was used to wash the sheep to clean their fleece prior to shearing.

It is thought that the dam could only have been used as a sheep wash, as sheep dipping, is when the animals are immersed in water containing insecticides and fungicide. The use of these chemicals in a river or stream would be near impossible due to the dangers and constant dilution.



1. The old track to Woodall which is marked on the 1720 Map

2. Although overgrown the path to the old sheep wash can still be seen.



3 and 4.
Show the smooth stones on
the bottom of the sheep wash



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5. 6. and 7.
The following three photographs show the stones with
slots in them so that boards can be slid into position to
dam the water.



5.



6.

