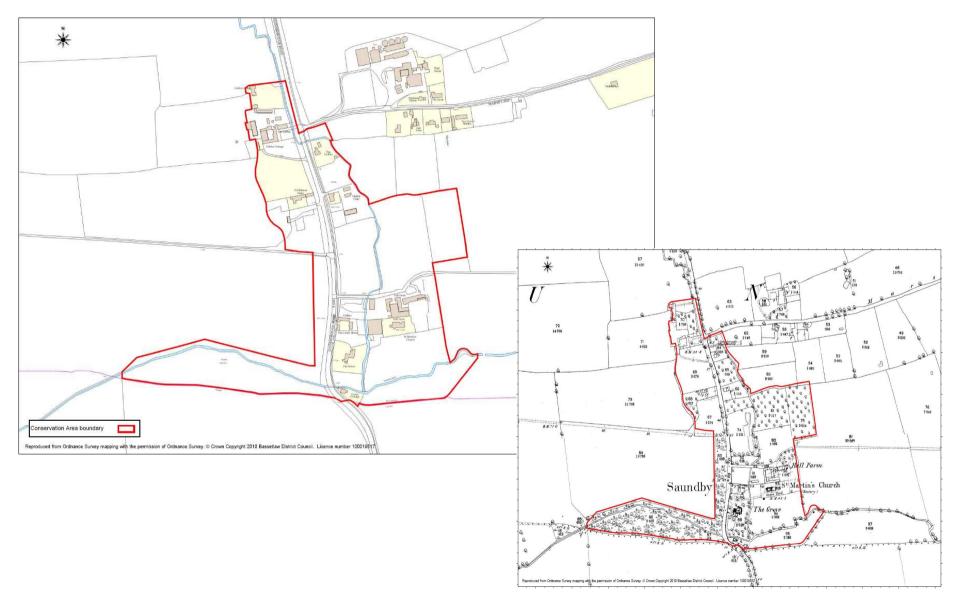
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Saundby is a small village 7 miles northeast of Retford, less than a mile south of Beckingham. Saundby is mentioned in Domesday as land belonging to the Archbishop of York. The church, which is dedicated to St Martin, contains an inscription in memory of William de Saundby who died in 1418.

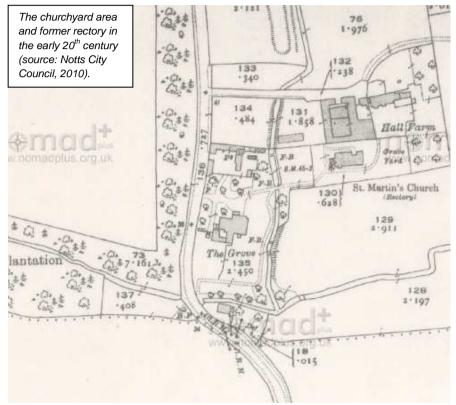


Clockwise from top left: Grove Cottage; looking north along Saundby Rd c. 1930 with The Gables to the left; large mature trees at the corner to The Grove (looking south); Saundby Road and Middle Farm (right hand side) c. 1930 (source: NE Midlands Photographic Record, 2010).

Saundby is a pretty area, which despite the busy A620, has a strong agricultural character with many fine trees, green verges and hedges.

The grouping around the churchyard including St Martin's Church, the Grove and Hall Farm are all listed buildings. The Grove dates to the early 19th century, and was formerly the rectory. Hall Farm is also early 19th century. This grouping is a significant character area within the conservation area.

The cottage at the southern entrance to the hamlet is a good example of Victorian architecture with elaborate barge board detail and quality materials, whilst the farms and houses at the northern end possess a good variety of 19th and 20th century architecture, being set in generous plots with attractive trees, verges and hedging.



The wider area of Saundby has historic interest, including old orchard spaces. The plantation along Saundby Beck is an attractive element of this wider area. The dense woodland to Saundby Road has long been a characteristic of the area.

Overall, Saundby is a small and well defined area, and contains a positive historic character that largely reflects the early 19th century development of the hamlet.