**Village can look back on 100 years and many service**

Although a large number of houses have been built in Gainford in the last few years, the older part of the village still looks much the same as it did a century ago.

While the population was smaller than it is now, it was probably a better place, with less traffic and pollution, and people had more time to enjoy the village instead of travelling to the big towns.

There were plenty of businesses in the high street of 1886 which are still here today, including the well known Fern's, which fed in town, which fed to attract customers from a wide way as well as from Gainford.

It is only recently that they have really started to feel the pressure of the traffic from the road, and a number of others have done in the village over many decades in the past.

It is really a charming village, with the few who live here still have the chance to look looking at it.

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