

**Mobile Earth**  
**Example entry: Shifted from Shap**



Title of your photo	<b>Shifted from Shap</b>
Photo location (e.g. use post code, grid reference, What3Words, latitude/longitude coordinates or a short url link to a placemark on Google Maps).	Locke Park, Barnsley W3W <a href="https://www.what3words.com/horn.arts.calm">///horn.arts.calm</a> Lat: 53.543192, Long: -1.489271
A few sentences (250 words maximum) highlighting and explaining the physical geography in your photo that shows an example of the mobile earth.	<p>In the middle of Locke Park in Barnsley sits a big boulder stone, looking proud and splendid in its surroundings. Many people know Barnsley was a coal mining town and the rocks of the Barnsley area are sandstones and shales and coal. But the boulder in Locke Park is made of a granite, and there is no natural granite near to Barnsley. The big boulder has big pink crystals in it that are only found in the granite of Shap on the edge of the Lake District, so we can trace where it came from. <a href="https://www.what3words.com/wording.worldwide.dust">W3W <a href="https://www.what3words.com/wording.worldwide.dust">///wording.worldwide.dust</a></a></p> <p>The answer to this mobile boulder mystery lies in physical geography and the ice sheets of the last Ice Age which became so thick they spread over the Pennines and moved rock from the Lake District all the way to Yorkshire. It is a glacial erratic, and now sits where it shouldn't be. And what is more, this boulder has also been moved by the Victorians from where it was originally found, a few miles away, and into the park, where it can be found today. This splendid shift from Shap is a great example of the mobile earth.</p> <p>(196 words)</p>