



Hunmanby Parish Council Newsletter

Welcome from the Chairman – Dorothy

This past year has flown by. The Parish Council has been working hard behind the scenes, and we hope that many of the projects currently underway will come to fruition during the coming months. Some projects develop quickly, and we would love to hear your thoughts on running a village-wide Yard Sale in May, along with a possible Pre-Loved Sale. If you would be interested in either event, please contact Bim on 01723 331575 or 07592 970385, or email coordinator@hunmanbyparishcouncil.gov.uk so we can gauge interest.

Helen Gorton (Chair of Premises)

The wall on Bowling Green Lane next to the play area is in a dangerous condition and will need replacing. This will require work to remove soil and other materials down to the original foundations. This will probably mean part of the road will have to be closed. The Parish Council will try to arrange the work during school holidays to minimise inconvenience to those using this route to the school. Work is continuing on the Arthur Brownridge nature area. The Parish Council is waiting for funding from North Yorkshire Council for fencing, path materials and vehicular access.

Village Co-ordinator Bim

A big thank you to all the volunteer coordinators from the various Community groups in the village for making Christmas special for our locals to enjoy a sing song, good food and great friendship. Playzone update: I'm pleased to say we have now received an official offer letter from the Football Foundation and also a letter of intent. We have also received outside funding from the "Mayoral Movement and Activity and Sport Investment Fund". Site surveys have been carried out. Things are beginning to happen and planning will soon be submitted for approval. If you are aware of any groups from the village who would be interested in using the Playzone, new groups as well as existing groups i.e girls/women's football, walking football, walking netball, groups from outside the village please get in touch with the Parish Council.

Digital Drop in Sessions

Want help with your smartphone, tablet or laptop. Need help with anything online or tech-related. Join us at the Community Centre – Parish Council Chamber, for friendly patient support at your own pace – whether you want to learn how to send emails, use online services, or just feel more confident with your device. Our next sessions are Friday 13th and Wednesday 18th and 25th March between 10 am and 12 noon. Contact: Annette /Bim 07592 970385 Parish Council Office 01723 33157 Email: hunmanbychampion@gmail.com

Youth Club

The Youth Club continues to go from strength to strength, meeting on the first Wednesday of the month at the Community Centre from 6.45 pm – 8.15 pm. It's a friendly, energetic space where young people can meet, learn new skills and enjoy activities together.

St Catherine's Hospice

St Catherine's Hospice will be at the Community Centre on 11th March, 15th April, 13th May and 10th June between 10 am until 11.30 am. They will be collecting donations and would be grateful if they were in carrier bags please. The representatives from St Catherine's can also offer advice and point you in the right direction for access to Hospice Services.

Happy Days

Happy Days continue to hold regular Wednesday coffee mornings at the Community Centre between 10 am and 12 noon. They are also organising another Community Event to celebrate the arrival of Spring on Thursday 12th March from 12 noon until 3 pm. Tickets are priced at £3 each and can be purchased at the coffee mornings.

Food Safety Hygiene Course

We have a food safety hygiene course booked at the Community Centre on 24th March between 10 am and 4 pm. It's a FREE course. Bring your own lunch. If you would like to attend please visit the website or alternatively contact the Parish Council Office for a paper enrolment form which requires completing before the event. The course, is now on North Yorkshire's website, for those that are able to enrol online. Please visit: <https://ebsontrackprospect.northyorks.gov.uk/Page/Prospectus>

Health Checks

On 25th March between 9.30 am and 12 noon at the Community Centre we have Pharmacy Plus East Yorkshire coming to provide FREE community health checks. They offer, Ear health checks, Blood pressure checks, Weight and BMI checks along with brief health advice and signposting where appropriate.

Dog Fouling

It would appear that dog fouling is becoming an issue within the village as the council have received numerous complaints. If you have a dog and exercise the dog in the village then please ensure you have a poo bag and pick it up and bin it. Dogs are not allowed onto the Playing Fields on Sands Lane or any other playgrounds. These play areas are for children. Keep the village clean and tidy for everyone to enjoy. Members of the public can report owners who allow their dogs to foul public areas via the website: <https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/environment-and-neighbourhoods/animals/dogs/dog-fouling>. Hunmanby Parish Council is not authorised to hand out fines, this can only be done by North Yorkshire Council. CCTV and Ring Door Bell are useful.

Hunmanby's New Vicar

Hello! If we haven't met my name is Peter Kay (yes, I know...sigh...) and I have the privilege of being the relatively new Vicar here at All Saints Hunmanby, along with four other churches along the Vale. Together they are known as the Hertford group of churches, after the river that rises in the springs here and flows back into the Vale. I was born in Sheffield, and have been a "Rev" since 2011 - I was a vicar in Bedfordshire for 8 years, and most recently had a lovely 2 1/2 years in the port town of Goole in a short-term position. With my wife, Tess, and our son it's been a delight to settle in and start getting to know people in the area, and also to celebrate our first Christmas here recently. Although leading our churches is an important part of the role I aim to be someone who people see as 'their vicar' - so whether or not you go to church please feel free to get in touch. I try to be 'around and about' as well, so please do say hello if we meet.
God bless you, Peter.

Square Dancing

Tuesday weekly 1 pm until 3 pm at the Community Centre. Cost £4 per person per session. Refreshments at end £1. We are a very friendly, not-for-profit group, which supports and donates to local causes. The Club provides regular fun, friendship and gentle exercise which is recognised by the British Heart Foundation, promoting health and wellbeing in Hunmanby and the surrounding

area. The majority of dancers are from Hunmanby but dancers also come from Scarborough, Bridlington, Filey and the surrounding villages. In April each year, a dancer from California in the USA flies over to join us to celebrate the Club's birthday at our Birthday Dance, along with dancers from other UK Square Dance clubs. This year will be our 4th birthday. Fun and friendship set to music. Laughter guaranteed. No experience needed. Contact Ange Alexander 07986 450591/YorkshireCoastWavesSDC@gmail.com

Mobile Library

Hunmanby celebrated a welcome boost to local services with the launch of the new Mobile Library van on Friday 23rd January. The upgraded vehicle was warmly received by residents, offering a brighter, more accessible space packed with books for all ages, audiobooks, large-print titles, and helpful library staff on hand. Next visit dates are Friday 20th March and Friday 17th April between 10 am and 11.30 am.

Home Library Service – Books Delivered to Your Door.

For residents who find it difficult to get out and about to the Mobile Library, North Yorkshire Council offers a free Home Library Service. This service is ideal for people who struggle to visit a library due to age, illness, disability, mobility issues, or caring responsibilities. The Home Library Service provides a warm, personal service designed to keep people connected, entertained, and supported at home.

Digital Champions – Support at Home or in the Community.

Hunmanby is fortunate to have a fantastic Digital Support Hub already running at the Community Centre, offering help with smartphones, tablets, laptops, online forms, and general digital confidence. To complement this, the library service offers a Digital Champions network, providing one-to-one support for residents who may not be able to get out to the hub. If you or someone you know would benefit from a home visit or personalised digital support, appointments can be made by ringing Filey Library. Tel 01609 536608

Bringing Services Closer to the Community

Between the Mobile Library, the Home Library Service, and the Digital Champions network, Hunmanby residents now have more ways than ever to stay connected, informed, and supported.

Hunmanby Community Centre: Live Music in Hunmanby

All at 7.30pm. Doors and Cash BAR at 6.45pm.

Book at <http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/hunmanbycommunitycentre>

Raven - Saturday 14 March £15

Edwina Hayes - Saturday 25 April £15

Virginia's Rolling Folk - Saturday 18 July £15

National Theatre Live in Hunmanby

All at 7pm. All Tickets £10

Book at: <http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/hunmanbycommunitycentre>

Or Pay at the Door (NT Live only)

Bring your own Drinks, Nibbles & Glasses

All My Sons: 18th April

The Playboy of the Western World: 30th May

Les Liaisons Dangereuses: 27th June

Spring Craft Fair Saturday 18 April 10.00 Free Entry, Homemade Cakes

Any queries, please email Sue Leyland at

hunmanbycommunitycentre@yahoo.com

Potholes/Road Issues

Potholes and general road issues can be reported direct to North Yorkshire Council via their website. Alternatively if anything poses a safety risk you can contact Customer Service Centre on 0300 1312131 or via email: Area3.Whitby@northyorks.gov.uk

Dates for your Diary

The Filey Bay Today Magazine which is available to purchase around the village does give you a full list of events that are happening locally and future events too, to put in your diary. You can purchase in local shops for a £1 or subscribe online. They do support local community groups by offering grants once a year which they normally open in January and close in February. I know there are local community groups who have benefitted from these grants. According to the Bay Magazine "Cottage Aid" is returning on Sunday 21st June which happens to be Father's Day and "Hunmanby Car Show and Family Fun Day" will be held on 26th July at HPFA on Sands Lane. You can visit their website: www.fileybaytoday.co.uk for further information on all things that are happening locally and maybe advertise your own event too. You can also add your event on to "This is the Coast Website" which is accessed more widely.

Parish Council Precept 2026/2027

Hunmanby Parish Council has set its precept for 2026/27 at £165,000, shown as 13.73% on council tax bills. While this appears a significant increase, in real terms it equates to £16.61 per year for Band D, £14.77 for Band C and £12.92 for Band B properties — around 25p to 32p per week (for households not receiving benefits).

The increase reflects rising running costs and reduced external funding. North Yorkshire Council has reduced Model Agreement funding by £12,372 this year and has given no assurance this funding will continue beyond 2027/28. Although reserves have been built up to help manage this loss, it creates ongoing financial uncertainty.

The Parish Council owns and maintains a wide range of village assets, including the Grade II listed Pound and Lockup, the 120-year-old Community Centre, playing field, two playgrounds, Cross Hill, Arthur Brownridge Nature Reserve, village verges (cut on behalf of NYC), and the war memorial. All require regular maintenance and inspections.

Progress continues on the new Playzone on Sands Lane, with 75% funding from the Football Foundation, a £30,000 grant, £1,000 from a local businessman, and £45,000 from the Parish Council. A recent survey has also identified essential repairs to a playground supporting wall, estimated at £22,000.

Due to increasing Community Centre maintenance costs, the Parish Council is planning improvements to modernise the building and secure its future, with external funding sought alongside required match funding. The Council is also exploring the acquisition of an additional village asset and remains committed to careful financial management while improving facilities for the community.

Anti-Social Behaviour – Report It & Vandalism:

If you witness any anti-social behaviour in the village, please report it by: either calling 101 or online at www.northyorkshire.police.uk

Reports help the police determine where to focus their patrols. If they don't know — they can't help.

Hunmanby Parish Council Meetings/Contacts

The next Parish Council Meeting Wednesday, 25th March 2026 at 7:00 PM Community Centre, 35 Stonegate, Hunmanby Contact us: 01723 331575 Email: clerk@hunmanbyparishcouncil.gov.uk
Website: www.hunmanbyparishcouncil.co.uk