



Hunmanby Spring Newsletter

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Welcome from the Chairman - Dorothy

Many of you will know that the Parish Council purchased a piece of land adjacent to the playground off Bowling Green Lane. The aim is to restore the ancient pasture to encourage wildlife and wild flowers, creating a wildlife reserve.

We already have a baseline survey of birds in this habitat and intend carrying out an annual survey. Eventually we hope to erect a Hyde so people can view and identify the different species.

It is proposed to hold a meeting on site on Thursday 19th June at 10am so that local residents can come and discuss the plans. Anyone interested in this project can attend, perhaps your expertise will be valuable in making this project a success.

We look forward to seeing you, please wear stout footwear, we will meet at 10am near the fenced children's playground.

Our caretakers are working hard to keep Hunmanby looking its best. As the grass cutting season continues, we kindly ask residents to avoid parking on highway verges.

Parking on the grass prevents caretakers from cutting those areas and causes ruts and long term damage to the verges. Thank you for helping us maintain a tidy and attractive village.

Help Shape the Future of Our Community Centre

The Parish Council owns the community centre building, while its day-to-day operations are managed by a dedicated committee of volunteers. Originally built as the village school, the building is now 120 years old — and with age comes the need for continual maintenance.

This month, we had to make the difficult decision to remove the bell tower due to an irreparable crack in the surrounding brickwork. With ongoing repairs and increasing maintenance costs, the Parish Council is now exploring an application to the Heritage Lottery Fund. Our goal is to extend, modernise, and preserve the building, ensuring it remains a valuable community asset for at least the next 50 years — while also making it more cost-effective to run.

As part of the funding process, we are asking residents to complete a short survey. Your feedback will play a crucial role in shaping the future of the community centre — from how it is currently used to what you'd like to see in the future. This is your chance to help guide the development of a key village resource for generations to come.

You can access the survey by scanning the QR code at the bottom of this article. A paper copy has been included in the newsletter and spare copies will also be available at the community centre — simply drop them in the post box at the entrance.



Thank you for taking the time to share your views. Your input truly matters.

Village Co-ordinator Bim

Welcome to our latest newsletter. The Parish Council has been busy as the village comes alive in the spring. We're excited to share news and updates, activities and opportunities happening in and around the village and ways to get involved. Thank you to everyone who volunteers, supports, participates and gets involved – it really does make a difference.

Digital Champions: We run free drop in sessions, but also welcome one-on-one. Help with mobile phones, downloading apps, Blue Badge applications and more. Come along, even better bring a friend. Digital help sessions are open to all ages and abilities. No question is too small.

Defibrillator: Thanks to everyone who joined the hands on defib training in April.

Community Day: Thanks also to everyone who made the Community Day such a success.

Groups like Mind, Hunmanby Free Fridge and Yorkshire Coast Sight Support joined us – plus Dizzy the guide dog. It was a brilliant chance to learn, connect and celebrate local services. A huge thank you to all the volunteers, and to everyone who stopped to say hello.

Pre-loved day: Money raised from our Pre-loved sale has been distributed to local groups who applied. Thank you for your generosity.

Children's event: We were thrilled with the turnout at our Quickline - supported half-term event activity for 8-12 year olds. More events like this will be planned.

Youth Club: We're delighted to confirm Hunmanby Youth Club is now open, see details below. Volunteers are welcome. If you're curious about helping out, come along and see what's involved.

Property Marking with the Police: Thanks to everyone who came to our Property Marking evening on 5th March. These events help keep our community safe – more will be advertised soon.

Arthur Brownridge Reserve: We're pleased to announce we've received 135 trees for planting at the Arthur Brownridge reserve. This is part of our ongoing commitment to green space in the village.

Dates for your diary:

Digital: next sessions 4th June 11th June and 25th June

10 am until 12 noon, Hunmanby Community Centre

for more information please email: hunmanbychampion@gmail.com Call 07592 970385

Library Bus: Saturday 21st June, 10 am until 12 noon, Cross Hill

Prefer home delivery? Visit: northyorks.gov.uk/digital-library Call: 01609 533800

Email: libraries@northyorks.gov.uk For in person help visit Filey Library

Citizens Advice Van: next visits 27th June and 25th July, 10 am until 12 noon, Hunmanby Community Centre. You can get free, confidential advice on benefits, debt, housing and more.

Free helpline Monday – Friday 9 am – 4.30 pm 08082 787900

Youth Club: next meetings 4th June and 3rd July, 6.45 – 8.15 pm, Hunmanby Community Centre

Facebook: Hunmanby Youth Group. Volunteers are always welcome. If you are curious about helping, out come along and see what is involved.

St Catherine's: next visit 11th June and 9th July, 10 am until 12 noon, Community Centre

Having a wardrobe clear out? Bring donations (in bags please, no furniture) to reception on the day. We encourage you to stop by and speak to these vital services.

New Support - Stop Smoking:

A new service at the Community Centre

Help to stop smoking – Living Well

Appointments Tuesdays 2 – 4 pm, Call 01609 797272

Email: stop.smoking@northyorks.gov.uk

Visit: northyorks.gov.uk/stopsmoking

Ryedale Rovers

Ryedale Rovers is a charity, not for profit organisation, who are looking for volunteers who would be happy to occasionally drive people to and from appointments. If you are interested please contact 01723 335988 or email fileybay@ryedalect.org

National Theatre Live at Hunmanby Community Centre

Next screening 'A Streetcar named Desire' by Tennessee Williams, directed by Benedict Andrews.

Gillian Anderson (Sex Education), Vanessa Kirby (The Crown), and Ben Foster (Lone Survivor) lead the cast in Tennessee Williams' timeless masterpiece, returning to cinemas.

Saturday 5th July at 7pm Tickets £10 Bring your own Drinks, Nibbles & Glasses.

Book at: <http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/hunmanbycommunitycentre> Or Pay at the Door.

Sue Leyland, Secretary Hunmanby Community Centre

<https://sites.google.com/site/hunmanbycommunitycentre>

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Have You Lived in Hunmanby a Long Time?

Has the village changed much? What are your memories of Hunmanby in the past?

The Hunmanby Parish archive is keen to receive details of village life from days gone by, no matter how trivial they may seem. Whether it is who lived where, what shops there were and what they sold, social activities, memories of work and play ... in fact anything at all. Would you be willing to write down your memories of the village as it was? If so please contact the Archivist through the Parish Council, either by email from the Parish Council's website or by calling in at the Parish Council office to the rear of the Community Centre on Stonegate. Have you any old photographs of the village you wish to donate to the archives. Help keep the past of the village alive for the future!

SQUARE DANCE CLUB RAISES £100 FOR HUNMANBY'S NEW YOUTH CLUB

Hunmanby Square Dance Group took part in the Angela Rippon "*Let's Dance!*" national initiative, putting on a free Square Dance in Hunmanby for the village and the surrounding area. It was held on Sunday 2 March 2025, which was the UK's very first "*Annual Dance Day*". Hunmanby Parish Council was kind enough to fund the room hire costs involved. Donations were welcomed in support of the new Hunmanby Youth Club. There were 32 dancers at the dance. Donations and proceeds of the raffle raised £100 for the new youth club.

Hunmanby Square Dance Group dances every Tuesday afternoon from 1 pm to 3 pm at Hunmanby Community Centre. New dancers are always welcome, with or without a dance partner. Contact Ange on 07986 450 591 for further details.

Anti-Social Behaviour – Report It

If you witness any anti-social behaviour in the village, please report it by: either call 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!

American Car & Classic Vehicle Show

Air Ambulance will be running the event on 27th July 2025, at Sands Lane Sports Field, Hunmanby. 10am to 4pm

Make a note in your diaries, more information will be posted on Facebook.

Monica Bridge

It is with great sadness that we have to report that Monica Bridge, the Chair of Hunmanby in Bloom died on March 5th, after a short illness. Monica took over as Chair in 2016, when the group had many active volunteers and were still entering the Yorkshire in Bloom competition. This required a significant amount of work - preparing portfolios for the judges to read, helping to get the village planting looking good and taking the judges around on the day. In 2017 the group were also organising regular litter picks, an annual quiz/pie & pea supper, plant fair, Open Gardens, and a Michaelmas Fair. Monica and her husband John, who had 'retired' to the Old Station House were also very active in The Friends of Hunmanby Railway Station, promoting services and adding to its floral displays. Monica was always hard working, when not gardening or organising, she was making jams and chutneys for sale at Bloom fairs, or inviting volunteers to summer barbeques in her garden, and she did all this with a cheerful, positive manner. All groups, especially ones that have been around since 2004, decline as volunteers get older. Monica, with her light touch, allowed the group to change as circumstances demanded - no longer entering the In Bloom competition, but our focus remaining on keeping the village looking as good as we could. Hunmanby in Bloom is now a very small group and currently without a Chair. Monica will be sadly missed. Regards, Sue Rothery (on behalf of Hunmanby in Bloom) If you wish to help please leave your contact details with the parish council.

North Yorkshire Council – Consultation on draft recommendations for division boundaries in North Yorkshire. Website address:- <https://www.lgbce.org.uk/all-reviews/north-yorkshire>

Polite reminder

Sands Lane sports field and our playgrounds are not dog exercising areas. The pitches are regularly used by football teams who do not wish to spend their time clearing up after your dog. We are surrounded by beautiful countryside, country lanes and adjacent to a dog friendly beach, if these are not suitable then use your own garden.

Hunmanby Parish Council

 Next Parish Council Meeting: Wednesday, 30th July 2025 at 7:00 PM Community Centre, 35 Stonegate, Hunmanby Contact us: 01723 331575 Email: clerk@hunmanbyparishcouncil.co.uk
Website: www.hunmanbyparishcouncil.co.uk