



Airmyn NEWS

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Daffodils in bloom (above and p8) CREDIT: RUTH LOWE

New beginnings for a new year

Welcome to the first *Airmyn News* for 2026, which coincides with a new editor as I take over the reins from Ruth Lowe, herself standing in for Megan Queijo. Huge thanks to both – and indeed to the whole *Airmyn News* team, past and present – for their work and commitment over the years.

To echo the sentiment expressed by our vicar, Philip Ball, in the February edition of *Airmyn Parish Magazine*, much of the work that goes on in our own and countless other villages throughout the land is done by a small army of volunteers who give up their time freely to pull together for “the greater good”. Their work is vital, but often unseen and underrated, so here’s to the volunteers!

It’s my aim with each quarterly issue to reflect as much of this good work as possible, so please do send your notices to airmynnews@yahoo.com (the deadline for the June issue is May 20th). I look forward to hearing from you.

Sara Backhouse

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Police Drop-In Surgery
Friday, March 20th, 6-7pm
Airmyn Memorial Hall

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AIRMYN VILLAGE HALL
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APR 7TH
MAY 12TH
JUNE 9TH

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CHURCH CORNER

News and views from St David's



The 350th anniversary of the building of the nave section of the present-day Airmyn church occurs this year.

If you look up at the sandstone coat of arms on the west exterior wall of the church, just below the bell turret, those are the arms of Anthony Smithson, who was Lord of the Manor of Armin from 1656 until his death in 1688. You may still be able to make out the date 1676 which is incised into the top of this coat of arms and it was Anthony Smithson who had the nave section of our present-day church built in that year, exactly 350 years ago. It replaced an earlier church which had been declared to be beyond repair two years earlier.

We are to mark this anniversary with a special service of thanksgiving for the church's continued presence at the heart of our village and we will seek to remember how it has helped many past generations of Airmyn villagers at various contrasting stages in their lives. The church is probably the oldest building in the village, although three or four houses along the High Street are of a similar vintage.

We hope for a really good attendance at this service but the day will also be celebrated with a Big Breakfast which will be served in the Airmyn Memorial Hall from 9am until midday and everyone will be equally welcome to attend here as well.

Exhibition in church

There will be an exhibition in the church to celebrate its 350th anniversary starting on Sunday, May 10th and ending on Sunday, May 17th. We will be displaying photographs, documents and other artefacts which will reflect aspects of the history of St David's Church here at Airmyn. If any readers of this newsletter have any items whatsoever which they feel might be of interest for inclusion in this exhibition and which they are prepared to lend us for the week, please contact any member of the PCC and let them know about what you have.

Another very significant anniversary for our church

It is exactly 300 years this year since the first Airmyn parish registers recording all baptisms, marriages and deaths in the village began to be kept. Prior to 1726, Airmyn people had been obliged to be buried either at Hook or at Snaith. Baptisms had always been allowed here but no records of them had ever been kept and there are no records of marriages ever having taken place in Airmyn church before that date.

These original registers were surrendered into the Diocesan archives at Balby in Doncaster way back in 1979 but arrangements are being made with the archivist at Doncaster Museum for them to be loaned back to us and put on display in the church as a part of the week-long exhibition in May. They are extremely interesting and thought-provoking when you have the chance to examine them and to read parts of them. The Airmyn registers are complete from 1726. There are no missing years.

Concert in St David's Church by the Castleford Male Voice Choir

There will be a concert in St David's Church on Easter Saturday, April 4th, commencing at 2pm, to be given by the Castleford Male Voice Choir. Those of you who have been to any of their previous concerts here will not need reminding about just how good they are. Tickets will be £8 each once again and will include refreshments, which will be served during the interval. The event will last about two hours in total, perhaps slightly longer.

Tickets can be obtained from Mrs Cathy Galloway or by asking any other PCC member.

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Slow computer?

Virus or Ads keep popping up?

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Alan on 07989 308951 or email

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Services at St David's Church

March, April and May

MARCH

Sunday 1st	4pm	St David's Day service of thanksgiving to celebrate the 350th anniversary of the building of the nave section of the present-day Airmyn church
Sunday 8th	10am	Morning Prayer
Sunday 15th	4pm	Mothering Sunday service with Holy Communion
Sunday 22nd	10am	Family Communion
Sunday 29th	10am	Palm Sunday Benefice service at Hook

APRIL

Thursday 2nd	7.30pm	Maundy Thursday Benefice service at Rawcliffe
Friday 3rd	11am	Good Friday Benefice service at Airmyn
Sunday 5th	6pm	Easter Sunday service
Sunday 12th	10am	Morning Prayer
Sunday 19th	6pm	Holy Communion
Sunday 26th	10am	Family Communion

MAY

Sunday 3rd	6pm	Holy Communion
Sunday 10th May	10am	Morning Prayer
Sunday 17th May	6pm	Holy Communion
Sunday 24th May	10am	Whitsunday Family Communion
Sunday 31st May	10am	Benefice service at Rawcliffe

N.B. Benefice services are those where the congregations from Airmyn, Hook and Rawcliffe meet together occasionally in just one of the three churches.

Note also that there will be midweek services in a modern idiom each Wednesday in March in Airmyn church at 6.45pm followed by a Lent course starting at 7.30pm.



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Pupils spring into action at Airmyn Park Primary

It has been a busy and exciting term across the school, with every class enjoying hands-on learning activities that have sparked curiosity, creativity and enthusiasm.

Oakhill class

Pupils have been enjoying time outdoors, exploring the school grounds as they search for signs of spring. The children have been carefully observing changes in nature, spotting budding plants (*right*), and discussing how the seasons change. This has helped develop their observation skills and appreciation for the natural world around them.

Cropton class

Hard work on a design and technology project ended with a very tasty result. After learning about ingredients, measuring, and the baking process, the children successfully baked their own bread. The project encouraged teamwork, practical skills and lots of pride in their finished loaves.

New Forest class

As part of Bird Watching Month, pupils have been learning all about local bird species and how to care for wildlife. The children hung bird feeders outside their classroom and have been closely watching which birds visit. This has been a wonderful opportunity to combine science learning with environmental responsibility.



ARCADE ELECTRICS

Inc. Goole Trophy Centre

70 Pasture Road, Goole 01405 761828

Key cutting

Electrical goods

Carpet cleaner hire

Watch battery & strap fitting

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Budding bakers in Cropton class



New Forest pupils monitor their bird feeders

Goole & Howden Hopper Timetable – Monday to Saturday

From 5 January 2026

BUSES FROM GOOLE TO HOWDEN STATION																				
Goole (Interchange)	06 15	06 50	08 00	08 55	09 30	10 05	10 40	11 40	12 30	13 00	13 40	14 30	15 00	15 55	16 10	17 05	17 45	18 55	20 50	22 00
Tom Pudding Way	06 21	06 56	08 06	09 01	09 36	10 11	10 46	11 46	12 36	13 06	13 46	14 36	15 06	16 01	16 16	17 11	17 51	19 01	20 56	22 06
JRS Services	06 23	06 58	08 08	09 03	09 38	10 13	10 48	11 48	12 38	13 08	13 48	14 38	15 08	16 03	16 18	17 13	17 53	19 03	20 58	22 08
Airmyn (Village)	06 25	07 00	08 10	09 05	09 40	10 15	10 50	11 50	12 40	13 10	13 50	14 40	15 10	16 05	16 20	17 15	17 55	19 05	21 00	22 10
Howden (Ozone Park)	06 30	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Howden (Memorial)	06 35	07 10	08 20	09 15	09 50	10 25	11 00	12 00	12 50	13 20	14 00	14 50	15 20	16 15	16 30	17 25	18 05	19 15	21 10	22 15
Howden (Station)	06 40	07 15	08 25	09 20	09 55	10 30	11 05	12 05	12 55	13 25	14 05	14 55	15 25	16 20	16 35	17 30	18 10	19 20	21 15	22 25

BUSES FROM HOWDEN STATION TO GOOLE																					
Howden (Station)	06 15	06 50	07 25	08 35	09 30	10 05	10 40	11 15	12 15	13 05	13 35	14 15	15 10	15 35	16 30	16 45	17 40	18 20	19 30	21 25	22 35
Howden (Memorial)	06 19	06 54	07 29	08 39	09 34	10 09	10 44	11 19	12 19	13 09	13 39	14 19	15 14	15 39	16 34	16 49	17 44	18 24	19 34	21 29	22 39
Howden (Ozone Park)	06 22	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Airmyn (Village)	06 27	07 02	07 37	08 47	09 42	10 17	10 52	11 27	12 27	13 17	13 47	14 27	15 22	15 47	16 42	16 57	17 52	18 32	19 42	21 37	22 47
JRS Services	06 31	07 06	07 41	08 51	09 46	10 21	10 56	11 31	12 31	13 21	13 51	14 31	15 26	15 51	16 46	17 01	17 56	18 36	19 46	21 41	22 51
Tom Pudding Way	06 33	07 08	07 43	08 53	09 48	10 23	10 58	11 33	12 33	13 23	13 53	14 33	15 28	15 53	16 48	17 03	17 58	18 38	19 48	21 43	22 53
Goole (Boothferry Road)	06 37	07 12	07 47	08 57	09 52	20 27	11 02	11 37	12 37	13 27	13 57	14 37	15 33	15 57	16 52	17 07	18 02	18 42	19 53	21 47	22 57
Goole (Interchange)	06 40	07 15	07 50	09 00	09 55	10 30	11 05	11 40	12 40	13 30	14 00	14 40	15 35	16 00	16 55	17 10	18 05	18 45	19 55	21 50	23 00

*Any enquiries about this service should be directed to Sweyne Coaches on 01405 704263 or mail@sweyne.co.uk

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Dalby students aim for the sky



Dalby class reached for the stars this term by launching rockets into space as inspiration for their writing projects. The excitement of the rocket launches helped spark imaginative stories and descriptive writing, bringing science and literacy together in a memorable way.

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AIRMYN SPRING GALA

SUNDAY 10TH MAY '26

STARTS AT 12 NOON

AIRMYN VILLAGE HALL AND FIELD

Saddle & Glass Bar and Food, Live Music,
Games, Kids' Activities and more

**CELEBRATING 350 YEARS OF
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ART SHOW £1 per entry

Under 16's and Over 16's categories for each of the following:

- 1) Piece of art or craft based on the church or churchyard
- 2) Piece of photography based on the church or churchyard
- 3) Piece of creative writing based on the church or churchyard

Please bring your entries to the village hall between 9am and 10:30am
on the morning of Sunday 10th May 2026

Entries to be judged, then on public view from 12 noon

Entries can be collected from 3pm



A note on padel court plans

Meetings have been held and information has been circulated by the parish council and the developer on plans to build two padel courts at the former bowls club. Further information is expected to be sent by the parish council to residents in due course.

Information and a petition has also been circulated by villagers who have formed an action group against the proposals. The BBC interviewed members of the action group and ran the story about the proposed new leisure facility on *Look North* and on its website in early February (bbc.co.uk/news/articles/cx2lxy7w405o).

INFORMATION BOARD

Airmyn Parish Council

Web: www.airmynparishcouncil.org.uk

Email: clerk@airmynpc.org.uk

Tel: 07557 166909

Office hours vary: please email the clerk for up-to-date details

Facebook: Airmyn Parish Council

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Airmyn Memorial Hall

Web: www.airmynvillagehall.org.uk

Email: bookings@airmynvillagehall.org.uk

Tel: 01405 947117

Facebook: Airmyn Village Hall

St David's Church

Facebook: St David's Church Airmyn

Twitter/X: @St_Davids_1

Email: stdavidsairmyn@outlook.com

Airmyn Community Facebook Page

Private group for sharing general village information. Search Facebook for 'Airmyn Village community (residents only)'.

Airmyn Residents Facebook Page

Private group primarily focused on the padel courts proposed for the village on the site of the former bowls club (see note, above). Search Facebook for 'Airmyn Residents'.

If you wish to add or amend an entry on this information board, please email airmynnews@yahoo.com

Looking ahead...

Save the date for Saturday, September 19th

- Village scarecrow festival and children's party
- St David's Church craft fair

Airmyn Memorial Hall

Woodland Way, Airmyn, DN14 8LY
01405 947117 or 07557 166909

bookings@airmynvillagehall.org.uk

Main hall and 2 meeting rooms available for hire.

Please contact the Administrator for availability and full details.

Suitable for a range of activities, including meetings, training, parties, dance groups, badminton, football, music groups, etc.

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