

Haughton in Bloom in April



Part 1



The new bed in the churchyard is planted with primroses and a selection of roses.



New blooms in Grassy Lane. A forget-me-not nestles between dandelion and dock and a crab apple extends its branches towards the light.





Tulips pop up amongst the mass of flowers in the tractor tyres and in the mountain ash tree plot. The wallflowers are coming into bloom at the War Memorial.





After the air pollution and the Saharan dust of early April, one of the coots enjoys a tranquil paddle on the pond at Four Lanes End.



This caterpillar is taking a risk - it looks exposed to predators on this Back Lane buttercup leaf, even with its camouflage.





A small fly has been attracted to this white dead-nettle, found in Back Lane.



The beautiful blossom amongst copper leaves belongs to an ornamental tree planted on the green in St Giles Grove.



Many of the mixed shrubs in the borders at the Village Hall are in flower, including ribes, orange blossom and winter jasmine. The bumble bee is there, enjoying the delicate flowers of the mahonia.





This mahonia hedge has a section with yellow flowers and a section with orange ones. The undergrowth has been weeded recently by a volunteer.



The new fence panel at the cemetery has been placed inside the picket fence to hide the bins from Rectory Lane.





*The
blackthorn
blossom mixes
with the ivy
on the corner
of Back Lane
and Dale
Lane. There
are still many
berries on the
ivy in this
area.*



*One gone to seed already,
but another on the way*





*A forget-me-not
pokes
through the
cemetery
fence.*



A mixture of daffodils and hyacinths brightens the bus shelter and cycle-rack area.



A very wet afternoon follows the laying of the hardcore surface to the pedestrian gate in Grassy Lane.



*The greening of Grassy Lane -
forget-me-nots bloom,
sycamore leaves emerge and a
green shield bug basks on a
cuckoo-pint leaf.*

Evergreen, fresh green and green still to come ...





Spring in Newport Road



Grass verges at the east gateway, Four Lanes End, are given the first cut of the season.





*A small
tortoiseshell
butterfly lands
on a Dale Lane
dandelion.*



Mowing stripes at the playing field



In Dale Lane

*Garlic mustard
in Back Lane*





*The first
dandelion in
Grassy Lane is
fully open.*



*This buttercup is on the
sunny side of Brazenhill
Lane.*

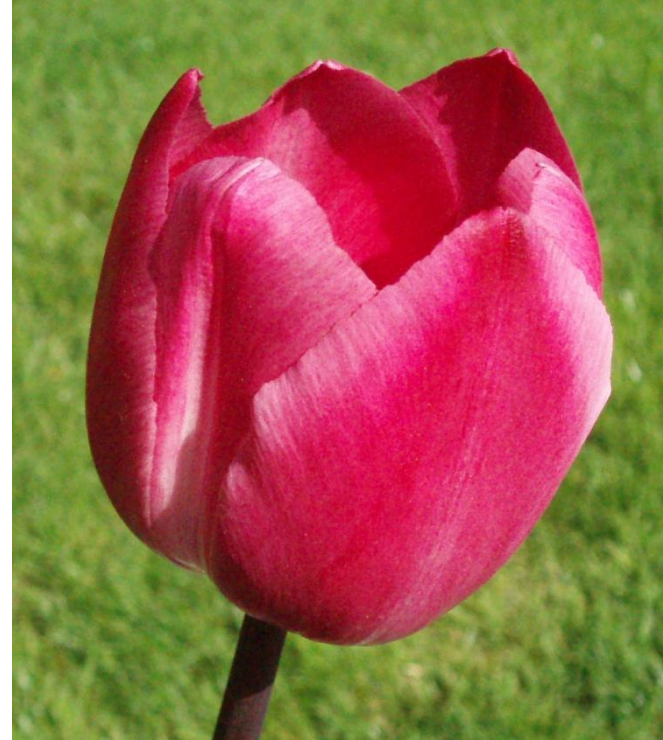
The new bed in the churchyard has been extended and more plants have been added. Roses, primroses, forget-me-nots, pansies and spirea are included here.





*These fresh daffodils
and soon-to-bloom
tulips can be found
at the bus stop
opposite Prince
Avenue.*





*Tulip
time in
Newport
Road*

