Mission Statement

“To achieve continuous improvement in visitor satisfaction and to be perceived by visitors and other organisations as the most respected volunteer managed aviation museum in Great Britain”.

The aims of the Museum

The first airframe was secured in 1963 thereafter the Museum was incorporated as a Limited Company No.930888 [April 1968] and formally registered as a Charity No.256434 [September 1968].

After a number of years spent preparing its permanent site on the Winthorpe Showground, a former World War II training base, the Museum was officially opened to the public on Saturday 14th April 1973.

The Museum relocated to its present leased site on the eastern side of Winthorpe Showground during the winter of 1977/78 and started the long process of re-establishing its collection.

At Easter 1990 the Museum opened its first Aircraft Display Hall to the public and it provided 1,860 square metres of undercover aircraft display space, and currently houses 28 of the Museum’s aircraft and cockpits.

In 1994 the trustees started negotiations to purchase farmland on the museum’s southern boundary with the aim of guaranteeing the Museum’s long-term future. Formal searches and formalities were eventually completed, allowing the purchase of 5.01 hectares of farmland to be completed prior to Christmas 1995.

In 2004 the Museum completed the construction of a second Aircraft Display Hall, which now houses 14 aircraft and cockpits. Occupying 2,400 square metres, the building was completed, thanks to a grant of £453,000 from the Heritage Lottery Fund, and the fund raising efforts and donations from the members and visitors.

After a period of continuing expansion for the aircraft collection, plans were drawn up to build a new Café. This project was completed and opened to the public in 2018.
Benefits of Museum Membership

The £40.00 membership fee is paid annually. As a new member you will be allocated a membership card, which entitles you and those members of your family living at the same address to:

- Unlimited FREE visits to the Museum whenever it is open to the public
- Discounted prices on books and models purchased in the Museum Shop
- Receive a copy of the Museum’s DISPERSAL newsletter, which is distributed every quarter

Helping at the Museum

Some members choose to help with work around the museum site e.g. opening cockpits, stewarding, general work and maintenance around the site, washing and painting aircraft, working in the cafe and fundraising. New and existing Members who wish to work in this way are asked to contact the Volunteer Coordinator at the Museum who will arrange an induction and then organise appropriate training.

Museum Rules

The following basic rules have been approved by the Museum Trustees, for the benefit of both the members and the safe operation of the museum. We request that you read and consider these rules before signing and returning the membership application form.

1. Membership is open to all enthusiasts aged 18 or upwards.
2. Membership includes those members of your family living at the same address.
3. The Museum and its Trustees cannot accept responsibility for loss of, or damage to members’ property on site or whilst on Museum business.
4. The Museum reserves the right to refuse any application for membership or renewal thereof, without providing any reason.
5. Any member deemed to be in breach of the Museum’s rules or policies, or of disobeying the instructions of an appointed officer will be liable to forfeit their membership immediately without any refund being due.
6. The Museum’s name shall not be used for any individual’s private gain or purpose whatsoever.

Gift Aid Declaration

Did you know Newark Air Museum is a registered charity?

If you’re a UK taxpayer and you make your membership application under the terms of GIFT AID, the museum is able to reclaim an extra 25% from the government and this does not cost you anything.

You will need to confirm that you are a UK taxpayer and that you understand that if I pay less Income Tax and / or Capital Gains Tax in the current tax year than the amount of Gift Aid claimed on all of your donations it is your responsibility to pay any difference. You are also acknowledging that you understand that we will reclaim 25p of tax on every £1 that I have given.

Such GIFT AID claims can make a massive difference to charities like the Newark Air Museum. For example your £40.00 membership fee would generate an extra £10.00 for museum funds and this extra money will go towards the improvement of our visitor facilities and exhibits, or perhaps even help to buy a new exhibit.

As you can see by completing the enclosed GIFT AID declaration form when you apply for membership it can really make a significant additional contribution.

Please become a GIFT AID MEMBER today.
Newark [Notts & Lincs] Air Museum Ltd
Membership Application
Registered Charity Number 256434

Please complete this form in block capital letters

Membership number _____________________

Title ______ Full name ________________________________________

Address ____________________________________________________

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___________________ Post code ____________________________

Telephone number ____________________________________________

I agree to abide by the rules of Newark [Notts & Lincs] Air Museum Ltd

Signed _______________________________ Date __________________

Please make cheques for £40.00 annual membership payable to:
Newark Air Museum Ltd. then either leave it in the Museum Shop, or post it to:
Mr S Blyth
Newark Air Museum Ltd
Drove Lane
NEWARK
Notts
NG24 2NY

Gift Aid Declaration

Name of Charity: Newark [Notts & Lincs] Air Museum Ltd
Details of donor:

Title ____________ Forenames ________________________________

Surname __________________________ Membership Number ________

Address ____________________________________________________

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______________________ Post code ____________________________

I want the Newark [Notts & Lincs] Air Museum Ltd to treat all donations I have made since the 6th April 2000 & all donations I make from the date of this declaration, until I notify you otherwise, as GIFT AID donations.

Signature _________________________________ Date ________________

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1. I am a UK taxpayer and I understand that if I pay less Income Tax and / or Capital Gains Tax in the current tax year than the amount of Gift Aid claimed on all my donations it is my responsibility to pay any difference. I understand the charity will reclaim 25p of tax on every £1 that I have given.

2. If your declaration covers donations you make in the future then please notify the museum if you change your name or address while the declaration is still in force. You can cancel the declaration at any time by notifying the museum it will then not apply to donations you make on or after the date of cancellation or such later date as you specify.

3. If in the future your circumstances change and you no longer pay tax on your income or capital gains tax equal to the tax the museum reclaims you can cancel your gift aid declaration.

4. If you pay tax at the higher rate, you can claim further tax relief in your self assessment tax return.

5. If you are unsure whether your donations qualify for gift aid tax relief, please contact us, or you can ask your local tax office for leaflet IR65.

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