

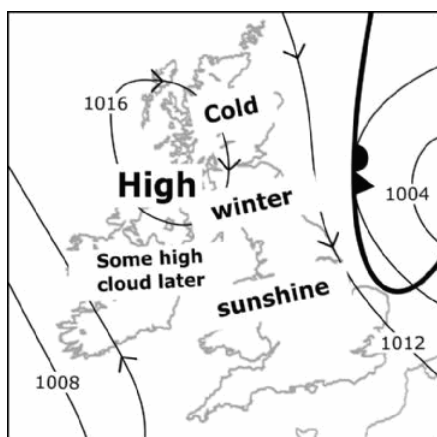
Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

The entire Yorkshire Dales National Park and North Pennines AONB, including the Three Peaks and Cross Fell, plus Howgills, also south to Forest of Bowland.



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General Summary for Tuesday, 17 February, 2026



British Mountain Summary:

Based on forecast chart for noon 17 February, 2026

Early snow showers in northern Scotland and north Wales, these easing to dry and sunny conditions across the country. Lying snow remains on most slopes above 700-800m, locally lower. A blustery morning, particularly eastern areas where powerful gusts will reach gale force, but easing to fairly small effects widely.

Headline for Yorkshire Dales & North Pennines

Cold winter sunshine, blustery early; some low slopes thaw

Detailed Forecast for Tuesday, 17 February, 2026

How windy? (On the summits)	Northerly 30 to 35mph early morning, risk stronger around dawn and notably in the east, where reaching 40mph, but easing, to N-NE'ly 20mph, lower in the south and west.
Effect of wind on you?	Prepare for significant wind chill in the morning, very blustery conditions for a few hours at least, but improving to fairly small effects.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	Precipitation not expected Chance of a few snow flurries pushing onto easternmost North Pennines in the morning, but the fells likely entirely dry.
Cloud on the hills?	Very little if any
Chance of cloud free summits?	90%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Bright sunshine, some broken cloud for a time toward the east and north. Superb visibility, a little snow lying on high ground could be very bright.
How Cold? (at 700m)	-3 or -2C. Early in day, feeling like -12 to -15C directly in the wind, easing.
And in the valleys	-2 to -4C, coldest in the north. Rising up to +2C in the Yorkshire Dales, nearer 0 or +1C North Pennines, freezing again overnight.

	Wednesday 18 February	Thursday 19 February
How windy? (On the summits)	Southeasterly 25-35mph. Rising with time and notable gustiness over highest terrain, may be quite powerful near Three Peaks.	East-southeasterly 30-40mph, gusty over high tops but an easing trend with time, low speeds possible, but detail uncertain.
Effect of wind on you?	Strenuous walking most of the day with considerable wind chill - buffeting gusts often challenge stability in exposure.	Strenuous-to-arduous walking with wind chill and balance challenges in gusts, but effects easing with time.
How wet? (Precipitation and its impact)	No precipitation expected	Any precipitation unlikely
Cloud on the hills?	Variable over high tops Cloud banks will variably drift over the high fells, but clear periods will also occur.	Little or no cloud A small chance of a few fleeting cloud caps over the high fell tops, but likely free of cloud most or all day.
Chance of cloud free summits?	80%	90%
Sunshine? Air clarity (below cloud)	Often sunny but weakened by high cloud Very good visibility.	A mix of high cloud and sun early, trending towards sunnier conditions but always some high cloud around. Good visibility, some haze.
How Cold? (at 700m) And in the valleys	-2C, may locally lower to -3C in the northeast. Feeling like -10 to -15C in direct wind. Widely frozen from dawn, -2 to -4C. Rising to around +1C, locally warmer near Three Peaks.	-1 or -2C. -1 or 0C from dawn, lifting to 3 or 4C, mildest near Three Peaks area.

Planning Outlook

All mountain areas of Britain from Wednesday, 18 February, 2026

Much terrain frozen midweek, frost into valleys and glens. Strengthening wind on Wednesday with considerable gustiness. Gales likely in Wales; possible snow moving into Wales as well, which may move further north but detail is uncertain. Late in the week and through next weekend, a switch to southwesterly winds is expected, bringing a change to milder conditions - lifting above freezing to tops in England and Wales, and generally higher freezing levels in Scotland; periods of thawing likely to Munro summits, though some further snowfall at times on higher Munros during periods of cooler northwesterly wind. Rain most frequent over western hills. Generally windy with upland gales.

Forecast issued at 15:52 on Monday, 16 February, 2026

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