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Bridlington update – January 2024 Issue

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For current information and guidance on Covid-19 please visit <https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>. This is a 'one stop shop' for Covid-19 which is constantly being updated with the latest guidance from the government and health officials.

If after viewing the current information and guidance you still have concerns in relation to an Individual, business or group of people not following the rules relating to Covid breaches please report via 101.

Can we also ask that if you become aware of persons living in your communities that you deem are vulnerable or isolated who are not receiving any support from Government agencies or volunteer organisations you please let us know via our email address:

Communities-BridlingtonTeamALLSTAFF@humberside.pnn.police.uk

1. What's Happening In Your Area?

Disruption of Drug activity – Ongoing core priority

Drug taking and dealing in the streets around the town centre of Bridlington continue to be our focus. We have received information and targeted areas of concern. Addresses with increased activity will be monitored adding to the intelligence picture. We continue to review this intelligence, obtain warrants, and target areas and individuals of concern using our stop and search powers. We continue to work with residents, Pro-active Patrols and BTP.

Operation Shield has led to numerous drug arrests. Clear, Hold, Build will further impact in this area. You can report anonymously via 'CrimeStoppers' at <https://crimestoppers-uk.org/>

Shop Thefts – Ongoing core priority

We are addressing this issue in areas of high demand. We are liaising with the retail premises in the HILDERTHORPE ROAD, PROMANADE, and ST JOHNS STREET areas to offer crime prevention advice and reduce demand which has risen through shop thefts. High visibility foot patrol in these areas will be conducted and working alongside are patrol officers we will deal with any offences positively. Working with the shops and using CCTV evidence we will look towards criminal behaviour orders for the prolific offenders. This priority links in with Operation YULETIDE.

ASB – Town wide – Ongoing core priority

We continue to engage with the community and monitor areas subject to ASB. Conducting high visibility patrols and liaising with housing and social care have reduced reported incidents. We are supporting local businesses with regular patrols and work with other agencies and children's homes to support youths and promote positive relationships. Liaison with schools continues. Local officers



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are working with housing and social services in relation to visiting youths and parents to minimise ASB.

Youths have already been identified and we are utilising the fairway system to deal with this. We have signed youths up to Anti-Social Behaviour contracts and parents are aware of the issues they are causing. Any offences will be dealt with positively and we will look towards Youth Justice Service intervention where appropriate.

HumberTalking

Humber Talking is still being undertaken in the Bridlington area. We will be adhering to social distancing guidance and will not be entering houses but speaking to members of the public who want to take part on their doorsteps. If you would rather participate online and highlight any issues you think the Police should be dealing with, please visit the website

www.mycommunityalert.co.uk/humbertalking

Your responses help us better understand our area and prioritise issues to be tackled.

2. Meet your officers –

You will see us out and about as we continue to do our job and keep our communities safe. As always there are several ways you can get in touch with us if you need us. Please check our social media channels for updates of surgeries and events we will be attending.

Stay informed through our social media channels, find us on Twitter, Facebook and Instagram @humberbeat. For incidents that don't require an immediate response call our non-emergency 101 line. You can also report non-emergency crimes online via our reporting portal. In an emergency always dial 999.

Police Station Front Counters – Bridlington - WE ARE OPEN

Our normal opening hours are 8am-8pm Monday to Friday and 8am to 6pm Saturday and Sunday. We are closed between 1pm to 2pm each day.



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3. Local News

Detailed crime and ASB data for your area can be obtained by visiting www.police.uk and entering your postcode into the 'What's happening in your area?' section.

01/12/2023 - Detectives launched an investigation into a reported sexual assault on a woman on Rope Walk in Bridlington on Monday 27 November.

Updating on the investigation today, Friday 1 December, Detective Chief Inspector James Clough said: "Over the course of the last few days, detectives within our Protecting Vulnerable People unit have been conducting numerous enquiries to establish the circumstances surrounding the incident that was reported.

"As a part of our enquires, CCTV has been retrieved and reviewed from the exact location, alongside the surrounding areas and varying times either side of the reported incident, scene searches have been conducted and clothing has been seized.

"With this case, we have found there is no forensic or digital evidence, witnesses or information available that is able to support and substantiate the report. The woman has been updated as to our enquiries.

"We will always thoroughly investigate any report of a sexual offence and conduct detailed analysis of all evidence to piece together and to ascertain all the facts.

"If you have been a victim of a sexual offence, or know someone who has, please get in contact with us."

You can contact us on our non-emergency number 101. Always call 999 in case of an emergency.

05/12/2023 - Officers reported seeing the driver of a vehicle acting suspiciously earlier. It subsequently made off at speed and was lost in the traffic. PS ALMOND from the Neighbourhood Policing Team went out and located the said vehicle. It transpires the vehicle was on cloned number plates and was also uninsured. The vehicle has subsequently been seized and gone for a ride on the back of a recovery truck!



06/12/2023 – Rural Task Force officers have been out forensic marking high value property on farms such as GPS devices and farm machinery.



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Make sure you record serial numbers and keep property locked away. 🚗

06/12/2023 - As a result of intelligence received, Bridlington Neighbourhood Policing Team seized and removed yet another uninsured vehicle from our roads. The driver also had no valid driving licence. We will not stop targeting offenders.

06/12/2023 - A 22-year-old man has been charged after he was arrested yesterday (Tuesday 5 December) in connection with a number of drug related offences between Tuesday 13 December 2022 and Monday 4 December 2023 in Bridlington. Edward Prendergast, aged 22, of no fixed abode has been charged with two counts of conspiring to supply Class A drugs. He was remanded into custody to appear at Hull Magistrates Court this morning.

12/12/2023 – Rural Task Force – Op Galileo hare coursing patrols have continued today providing a high visibility presence around our rural community affected by Wildlife Crime & the associated Anti-Social Behaviour. Please contact us to report Rural Crime or Wildlife Crime.



16/12/2023 - The Bridlington NPT held a surgery at the Promenades Shopping Centre on Saturday the 16th December between 11:00hrs and 13:30hrs.



27/12/2023 - Whilst Sgt ALMOND from your local Neighbourhood team was out on mobile patrol, he located this stolen van which was secreted in the shadows. It has been seized and will be recovered for forensic opportunities in a bid to try and identify the offender. Please consider fitting additional security to your vehicles in order to deter thieves.

30/12/2023 - Bridlington Neighbourhood officers have been out and about today, deterring criminality, reassuring the public and catching offenders. It may be late evening but one male has just been arrested on suspicion of committing a spate of high value shop thefts today. He fled the store with stolen items but was soon intercepted, detained and the goods were recovered. He is now en-route to our custody suite where he will be processed.

31/12/2023 - The rain may have eased but many roads are still saturated with standing water, so please drive to the conditions. If you are out tonight, enjoy the celebrations but please drink responsibly.

As 2024 dawns, we will continue to target criminality and bring offenders to justice. We really do want to make BRIDLINGTON a better place, so please continue to provide any information that will help



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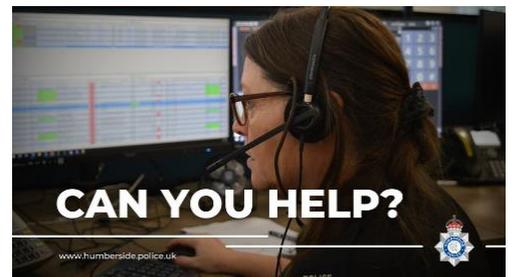
us, either by speaking to officers in person, via 101, at the Police Station, or via Crimestoppers which is completely anonymous.

From Sgt ALMOND, and all of the BRIDLINGTON Neighbourhood Team, here's to a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year.

4. General information and Appeals

08/12/2023 – APPEAL - A man has been charged after reports of an aggravated burglary at a jewellers on Prospect Street in Bridlington at around 2pm on Friday 8 December.

Levi Friend, aged 19, of Nineveh Gardens in Leeds has been charged with aggravated burglary other than dwelling and possessing a knife blade/sharp pointed article in a public place.



He has been remanded into custody to appear at Hull Magistrates Court today (Monday 11 December).

Two men who were also arrested in connection with the report have been released on conditional bail whilst our enquiries continue.

It is believed that three men gained entry to the front of a shop by causing damage to the windows and reportedly stole jewellery from inside before fleeing the scene in a red Fiesta.

We continue to appeal for anyone who witnessed the incident or may have video footage from around the time the incident occurred near to the area, to contact us on our non-emergency number 101 quoting log 242 of 8 December.

Alternatively, if you wish to remain anonymous, you can report via the independent charity Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

Over 850 arrests as Op Shield pursues throughout OpYuletide

If you think our #OpShield teams are taking break this festive season – think again.

Officers have been continuing to keep up the pressure throughout the Christmas period, from hitting addressing and forcing doors open, to proactively seeking repeat offenders and targeting those that cause the most harm to our communities.

As a result, our dedicated teams have made a further 197 arrests, with 52 people charged and 36 remanded.



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Phases one, two and three has seen some impressive results, taking the overall Op Shield figures to a grand total of 872 arrested and 278 charged since the operation launched in September.

Sixty-three fail to appear warrants and recalls to prison have also been actioned in the past three weeks, and in the last week alone, £57,500 worth of cannabis has been seized.

We would like to everyone who has supported us with our operation so far, it's because of the information you provide that we're able to act on suspicions and concerns within your communities.

You can provide information to the charity Crimestoppers completely anonymously on 0800 555 111, or on their website www.crimestoppers.org.uk.

5. Scams and Crime Prevention

Make it a resolution to keep your bike safe - OpYuletide

Bikes have often been favoured as gifts during the festive period – whether it's your first bike or the latest top of the range racer! No matter what you spend on them, they are still a valued gift.

Being such a popular gift, it's important to ensure they are kept safe and secure.



Unfortunately, cycle theft remains high in our force area and we are encouraging cycle owners to ensure they register their bike, whether it is new old, on Bike Register: <https://www.bikeregister.com/> or Immobilise: <http://www.immobilise.com/>.

A lot of cycle theft is undertaken by opportunist thieves who notice an unlocked and unattended cycle as a perfect target for their crime.

It's important to remember to be careful when sharing details about bikes on social media, as some use it to target high value cycles and identify possible cycles to steal.

If you are looking to buy a bike, always make sure you are buying from a reputable source.

Consider some of the following crime prevention advice:

- Ensure your bike is always locked when not in use, in a secure building.
- If you're out and about, make sure your bike is locked whenever you leave it unattended.
- Storing bikes in a garage or shed? Secure them with a strong lock and consider fitting an alarm.
- Remove cycle carriers from your car when they're not in use.



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- Think twice when sharing your riding stats or pictures of your bike on social media, especially if your home is visible in the photograph. Be sure to check your security settings as well if using them and set at least a 1000m exclusion zone around your house.

Taking small steps like this which improve security can help prevent and deter thieves.

Find more advice at our website: <https://www.humberside.police.uk/cp/crime-prevention/keeping-vehicles-safe/how-safe-is-your-bike/>

Scam Text Messages

Have you ever received a text message that you weren't quite sure about? Maybe it asked for you to "verify" your personal or financial details?

You can report suspicious text messages by forwarding them to 7726.



One punch can kill – stop, think, walk away.

In the last two years, six men in our communities have lost their life because of one accidental run in in a busy bar, one difference in opinion over a game of sport, one too many drinks on a night out.

Not only this, but numerous people have suffered serious, life changing injuries as a result of one punch too.

This festive season, in the hope of sparing other people the same heartache, families affected by one punch have come together to talk about how one split second decision has had a devastating impact on their lives.



Major Crime Team Superintendent Al Curtis, said: "Naturally, more so at this time of year, across our region, we see an increase in members of our community, heading to pubs, bars, and restaurants to celebrate the festivities.

"Whilst the majority of people arrive home safely, unfortunately, for some families, it is the start of a living nightmare when they receive the heart-breaking news that their loved one has sustained life changing or fatal injuries from a single punch.

"Alcohol naturally impairs our ability to make rational decisions and in recent years, we've seen an increase in the number of incidents we're being called to, predominantly involving two men, who,



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whilst out enjoying a drink, have ended up in an altercation which has then had detrimental consequences.

“With help from families whose lives have changed from one punch, we hope to raise awareness and save countless other lives by encouraging people to stop, think and just walk away. No argument is worth a life without a loved one.

“It’s really important that people know our officers are out and about patrolling hotspots, particularly pubs, clubs and bars, working alongside licensed premises.

“We want our force area to be a safe place where members of the public can go out and enjoy the Christmas break and get home safely.

“If you’re heading out, whether that is just to enjoy a drink, or the festivities, my message to you if you find yourself in a confrontational situation is to stop, think, and just walk away. It will save lives.”

If you have been a victim of crime, you may need further support and information to assist you through the process. You can visit our website for further support and download a copy of our victim support leaflet.

If you feel that you have been scammed and would like to speak to someone face to face please come into your local police station for a confidential chat. It is highly likely that it will be a known scam and you will not be alone. If your local police station is closed or you are unable to get there promptly, please do not delay. Call Action Fraud or Humberside police on the numbers below for advice.

If you think you might have been a victim of fraud report it to Action Fraud by visiting actionfraud.police.uk or by calling 0300 123 2040, alternatively call Humberside Police on 101. In an emergency or if a crime is in progress dial 999.

If you have information regarding those responsible for fraud, please contact Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

HMRC's top tips for avoiding scams are:

- Recognise the signs - genuine organisations like banks and HMRC will never contact you out of the blue to ask for your PIN, password or bank details.
- Stay safe - don't give out private information, reply to text messages, download attachments or click on links in emails you weren't expecting.
- Take action - forward suspicious emails claiming to be from HMRC to phishing@hmrc.gsi.gov.uk and texts to 60599, or contact Action Fraud on 0300 123 2040 to report any suspicious calls or use their [online fraud reporting tool](#).



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- HMRC Debt management teams do contact members of the public by phone about paying outstanding debts.
- If a customer (or agent) isn't confident that the call is from HMRC, we will ask them to call back. Depending on the circumstances and to give the customer confidence it is actually HMRC calling, information may be disclosed to the caller which only HMRC is party to
- Calls from the majority of HMRC offices will leave caller identification data, i.e. the number the caller has used to contact you from

Never click on a link and if in doubt make your own independent enquiries.

For up to date advice on scam HMRC phone calls, [visit gov.uk](https://www.visit.gov.uk).

Please take time to visit the websites detailed below:

www.ageuk.org.uk/barnet/our-services/latest-scams

<https://www.actionfraud.police.uk/news>

www.takefive-stopfraud.org.uk/

www.citizensadvice.org.uk/consumer/scams/check-if-something-might-be-a-scam/

To report a crime in progress, always call 999. Call 101 for non-emergencies and to report any information, or you can call Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.

For further crime prevention advice and general information please take a look at our website by visiting. <https://www.humberside.police.uk/information-advice>. You will also find the latest news & appeals and find out more about My Community Alert.

“My Community Alert” is a free messaging system operated by Humberside Police and Humberside Fire & Rescue Service, giving you live information about incidents happening in your area. Choose how you receive messages, by either phone or email, how often you want to hear from us and about the issues that matter to you. When something happens that you've told us you want to hear about, your local officer will send you the details, whether that's notice of a road closure due to a collision or a burglar who has been caught in a nearby garden. Subscribe to My Community Alert to be the first to know about issues that might affect you or your family. Sign up for free on mycommunityalert.co.uk to start receiving real time updates now.

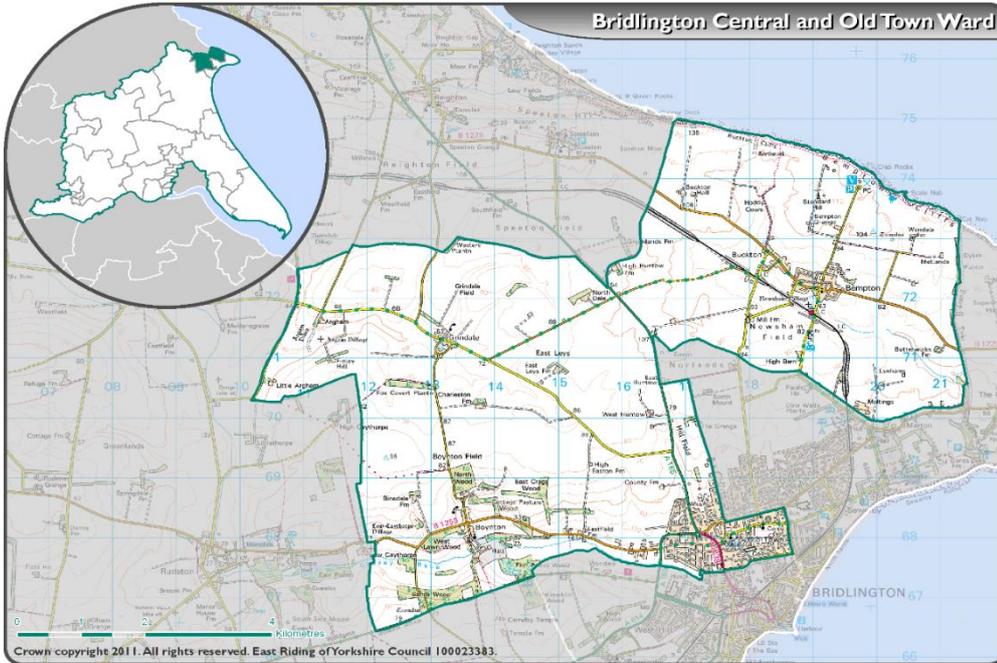
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