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Bridlington update – February 2026 Issue

Meet Your Team



1119 Ian Foster
Inspector



2052 Chris Almond
Sergeant



Andrew Sawyer
PC



0505 Georgina Kirkwood
Sergeant



0019 Stacey Hartley
Police Constable



1855 Sam Hoggard
Police Constable



0304 Jordon Petch
Police Constable



0657 Tricia Hook
Police Constable



1830 Matthew Ferris
Police Constable



0996 Sebastian Petch
Police Constable



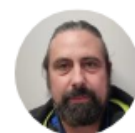
7773 Kim Jewitt-Holder
PCSO



7884 Gerald Quinn
PCSO



7846 Leonard Sandison
PCSO



7791 Mike Singh
PCSO



7765 Shona Cooper
PCSO



7767 Colette Gunning
PCSO



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Make The Right Call



@humberbeat

999



There is a danger to life
A crime is in progress or has just happened
A dangerous incident on the roads
Suspicious incident that needs immediate attention
Immediate action is required to save lives, stop injury or catch criminals

101



To report a crime NOT ongoing
Give us information about crime or concerns in your local area
General enquiries
To discuss anti-social behaviour or other non-urgent matters

ONLINE




humberbeat.police.uk
Report a crime
Record an incident
Request an update
Advice and information

To report crime 100% anonymously contact Crime Stoppers on 0800 555 111 or visit

<https://crimestoppers-uk.org/>

CrimeStoppers.
Speak up. Stay safe.

Receive real time alerts about what's happening in your area



MyCommunityAlert.co.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 continue to receive information and target 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, BTP and use of a drugs dog.

A number of warrants have been executed at various addresses, and a closure order issued for one of the addresses. A further order is being processed for another address.

Operation Shield continues to lead to numerous drug arrests. Clear, Hold, Build will further impact in this area.

You can report anonymously via 'CrimeStoppers' at

<https://crimestoppers-uk.org/give-information/forms/give-information-anonymously>

NPT have recently been undertaking proactive patrolling as a whole team to flood hotspot areas. Positive stop searches for drugs have been made. The use of a drugs dog is ongoing and has produced positive results.

Shop Theft – We will continue to address high demand locations, working with retail premises in the area of Promenade, St Johns Street and Hilderthorpe Road.



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We will, by default, carry out high visibility foot patrols in these areas and will deal with any offences positively in conjunction with our Patrol colleagues. We continue to liaise with shop managers offering assistance and crime prevention advice. The shop watch radio scheme continues to be used.

HumberTalking

Humber Talking is still being undertaken in the Bridlington area.

We will be speaking with householders on their doorstep however 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 – Forthcoming Surgeries

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.

Your local officers are generally out and about dealing with various community related issues.

Surgeries continue in the coming weeks and months with the local Community team pitching up in various locations around the Bridlington area, giving general crime prevention and advice on policing matters.

Please visit <https://www.humberside.police.uk/area/your-area> and enter your location to see what meetings and events are coming to your area.

If you want to contact the community team directly on a non-emergency matter, please email us at

Communities-BridlingtonTeamALLSTAFF@humberside.pnn.police.uk

If you need to speak to us more urgently and for matters that do not 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.**

Stay informed through our social media channels, find us on X (Formerly Twitter) @Humberbeat_ERYN, Facebook and Instagram @humberbeat.

Police Surgery Schedule – Bridlington & Surrounding Areas



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Weekly Events

Tea and Toast @ **Hinge Centre**

📍 Quay Road, Bridlington

🕒 Every Friday, 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM

Tea Morning @ **Christ Church**

📍 Quay Road, Bridlington

🕒 Every Monday & Wednesday, 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Coffee Afternoon @ **North Library**

📍 Bridlington

🕒 Every Tuesday, 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM

Soup and a roll @ **Acredykes**

📍 Bridlington

📅 03/02/2026

🕒 12:00PM– 1:30PM

Pop in Centre @ **Bempton and Buckton Community Village Hall**

📍 High Street, Bempton

📅 09/02/2026

🕒 10:00PM– 12:00PM

Warm Space @ **St Michael's Church Hall**

📍 Saint Michael's Walk, Bridlington

📅 10/02/2026

🕒 10:30PM – 12:00PM

Flamborough Parish Council Meeting @ **Flamborough Pre-school**

📍 South Sea Road Bridlington

📅 02/03/2026

🕒 7:30PM– 8:00PM

Flamborough Village Surgery @ **Flamborough Library**

📍 South Sea Road Bridlington

📅 03/03/2026

🕒 3:00PM– 4:00PM



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As with anything we arrange in advance there is a potential for us to be called away unexpectedly to deal with an urgent matter.

What is Humber talk?

Launched in 2018, Humber Talking is aiming to understand the needs of our local communities across Hull, East Yorkshire and Northern Lincolnshire.

It enables residents to meet local officers face-to-face and to share any concerns. Our aim is to hear the views of every single household across our force area.

What are the issues that affect your community that you want the police, our partners and community members to resolve? For example, road safety, criminal damage, drug dealing and anti-social behaviour.

What causes you the greatest concern in your street? For example, beggars, fly-tipping, speeding, gangs?

Have you been in contact with any of the authorities such as police, fire, local authority or health and, if so, how was the response?

How confident are you that the police would be there if you needed them?

What is “My Community Alert”?

My Community Alert is a free messaging system operated by Humberside Police, Humberside Fire & Rescue Service, and Humberside Office of the Police & Crime Commissioner, 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.



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issues that might affect you or your family. Sign up for free on [mycommunityalert.co.uk](https://www.mycommunityalert.co.uk) to start receiving real time updates now.

<https://www.mycommunityalert.co.uk/>

3. Local News, General Information & Appeals

08/01/2026 - In line with the Home Office Winter of Action initiative, local Neighbourhood Policing Teams who cover the Driffield and Bridlington areas within the East Riding of Yorkshire have been reflecting on the successes they saw, and continue to see the impact of, as part of our Safer Streets Summer.

We spoke to Neighbourhood Policing Inspector Ian Foster:

<https://www.humberside.police.uk/.../patrolling-the.../>

**YOU TOLD US
ANTI SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR
WAS A PRIORITY IN
BRIDLINGTON
HERE'S HOW WE'RE
RESPONDING:**

- Partnership working
- Lasting, preventative solutions
- 351 miles of high-vis patrols along the coast
- Plain clothed drugs operations
- Criminal and civil orders
- Addressing vulnerabilities and safeguarding concerns

**FOR WHAT'S HAPPENING
ON YOUR STREET, SIGN UP
TO MY COMMUNITY ALERT**

#WinterSaferStreets

09/01/2026 - Christmas may be over, but our focus on those who think its ok to drive under the influence of drink and drugs will continue. Last night officers from Bridlington patrol team 3 saw a vehicle being driven at excess speed on Sewerby Road. Checks showed the vehicle had no MOT and the driver, a 25 year old local male, also failed a roadside drugs wipe and was arrested. He has since been released under investigation to allow for a blood sample to be analysed and if this comes back over the limit he will face court and a driving disqualification. There is no place on our roads for those who think the rules don't apply to them and we will continue to remove those who pose a risk to the wider public.





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11/01/2026 - Humberside Police are investigating a report of a burglary on Trafalgar Crescent, Bridlington. Previously circulated on MyCommunityAlert.

The incident occurred between 11/1/26 at 1800 hours and 24/1/26 at 1240 hours The offender(s) approached a Conservatory door and forced entry.

If you have any CCTV footage (including video doorbell), saw anyone acting suspiciously in the area around this time or have any information about the offenders please contact the police on the non-emergency number 101 quoting occurrence ref: 26*10659

14/01/2026 - Four people were arrested following a series of drugs warrants executed in Bridlington this morning (Wednesday, 14 January 2026)

Through a collaborative effort involving the Neighbourhood Policing Team, Kinetic Intervention Team, Kinetic Organised Crime Group Team and the Dog Section, officers attended addresses on Richmond Street, Kirkgate Mews, Fairfield Road and Great Meadow Road.

Upon conducting searches of the properties, officers reportedly discovered and seized a quantity of cash and mobile phones believed to be linked to drug supply.



Two women, 34-years-old and 42-years-old, and two men, 29-years-old and 69-years-old, were arrested on suspicion of being concerned in the supply of class A drugs. They have since been released on bail whilst enquiries continue.

17/01/2026 - It's been a busy week for Bridlington Patrol Team 3 with a wide variety of incidents being dealt with. However, we have continued to target those who use the roads to commit offences.

Wednesday - One driver was stopped after being seen to be involved in a road rage incident, he subsequently failed a drugs wipe and was arrested. He has now been released under investigation whilst his blood sample is analysed.



Thursday - A vehicle was seen driving suspiciously in the town centre and was stopped and checks showed the driver was uninsured and unlicensed. The driver has been reported for both offences and the vehicle was seized.



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Friday - The below van failed to stop for police in the town centre. The vehicle was later located abandoned and has been seized. The driver will also now be reported for a number of traffic offences.

This focus on those causing a danger and a nuisance on the towns roads will continue and we will use all the powers at our disposal to achieve this aim.

19/01/2026 – Bridlington man appears in court for shop thefts –

On Friday 9th January Ian Walker, 55, of Trinity Road, Bridlington appeared at Hull Magistrates Court in relation to a series of shop theft in Bridlington. This resulted in Walker being sentenced to a total of 22 weeks imprisonment, which has been suspended for 12 months to allow Walker opportunity to comply with the requirements of a community order.

When dealing with these offences PC Pollard of Bridlington's patrol team has also successfully applied for a Criminal Behaviour Order which will remain in place until January 2029. The CBO imposes the following conditions on Walker:

- 1) Not to remain on any retail premises when he has been asked to leave by staff.
- 2) Not to enter any store from which he has received an official banning order from the store or the police.



This incident demonstrates our commitment to dealing robustly with incidents of shop theft in the town and using all the tools at our disposal to prevent further offences.

19/01/2026 – Bridlington woman charged with Thefts - A woman has been charged in connection with thefts in Bridlington between Wednesday, 7 January and Monday, 12 January 2026.

Chontelle Baxter, 33-years-old of South Back Lane in Bridlington has been charged with theft from a shop, theft and possession of a class C drug. She has been remanded into custody to appear at Hull Magistrates Court on Thursday, 22 January 2026.

It was reported that a woman had allegedly stolen a mobile phone from a flat in Bridlington. A second report was then received stating that a woman had entered a retail store and allegedly left with clothing items without making payment. Upon her arrest, officers also located and seized a quantity of Class C drugs.

22/01/2026 - Following a report of a **business burglary in Bridlington town centre** in the early hours of this morning, a **32 year old local man, has this afternoon been arrested** and remains in custody assisting us with our enquiries.

This is a great example of the results produced by our collaborative working with East Riding of Yorkshire Council and information sharing between ourselves and their CCTV operators.



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23/01/2026 - A man has been **arrested** after Community Patrol officers were made aware of a **suspected drink driver on Lansdowne Road in Bridlington** at 3.20am this morning (Friday, 23 January 2026).

When requested, the driver failed to stop on Quay Road, and a short pursuit ensued before the vehicle eventually came to a stop on Hill Street.

The driver, a 33-year-old man, is then alleged to have exited the vehicle and made off towards Moorfield Road in an attempt to evade officers.

He was swiftly detained and subsequently arrested on suspicion of driving a motor vehicle dangerously, failing to stop, failing to provide a specimen for analysis, and using a vehicle without third party insurance.

He was further arrested on suspicion of common assault of an emergency worker while in police custody, where he remains at this time.

We continue to encourage members of the public to report any road traffic offences and dangerous driving to us by calling our non-emergency number 101 or 999 in an emergency, when safe to do so. You can also submit video evidence of driving offences that you or other members of the public have witnessed via our online reporting tool Op Snap.

Update – 28/01/2026 - A man has been charged with six offences after officers were called to reports of a suspected drink driver in Bridlington on Friday, 23 January 2026.

Richard Arkless, 33-years-old, of Tennyson Avenue in Bridlington, has been charged with driving above the alcohol level limit, driving without due care and attention, failing to stop when required, criminal damage to property, assault by beating of an emergency worker, and using a vehicle without third party insurance.

He has since been bailed to appear at Hull Magistrates Court on Thursday, 12 March 2026.

It is reported the driver failed to stop for officers on Quay Road, prompting a short pursuit leading to Hill Street. He is alleged to have attempted to flee on foot towards Moorfield Road before being detained and arrested.

28/01/2026 - Additional 18-years imprisonment for convicted child sex offender - A man who raped and sexually abused two children over several years has been jailed today for 18 years and has also been handed an indefinite Sexual Harm Prevention Order, concluding a complex four-year investigation led by detectives in our Protecting Vulnerable People Unit.

Paul Tyler, 66-years old of Trinity Road in Bridlington, pleaded guilty to 11 offences including rape of a child under 13, at earlier court hearings, and appeared today (Wednesday, 28 January) at Hull Crown court where he was sentenced.

Hear from investigating officer Detective Constable Clare Gascoigne who commends the extraordinary bravery of the man and woman who came forward to report Tyler's offending against them: <https://www.humberside.police.uk/.../additional-18-years.../>



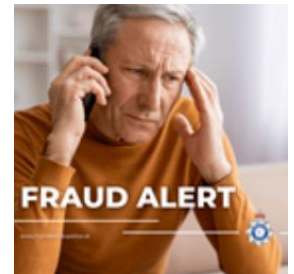
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4. Scams / Crime Prevention / Public Safety

Reports of Courier Fraud are rising - Learn how to spot the signs

Reports of courier fraud, also known as impersonation fraud, are increasing in our area. This week alone, our Economic Crime Unit has launched two investigations following reports from residents in Hull. We want to make sure you know how to protect yourself.

Courier Fraud involves individuals falsely impersonating someone you trust. This may be a member of family, police officer, bank official or any other trusted organisation. This can be online or over the phone.



These fraudsters impersonate trusted individuals or organisations in attempt to take money from their victims. They often instruct victims to withdraw large sums of cash, claiming it will be collected by a courier, or ask them to send the money through the post.


These calls can look legitimate, and scammers use devices that can change the appearance of their phone number on your device. If you receive an unexpected call that you think is a scam, hang up, wait a few minutes, and call 101 to contact the police.



Please share this information with anyone you know who may be susceptible to this kind of phone call and inform them of this type of scam, remember:

The police will never call you and ask you to verify your personal details, ask for your PIN by phone or offer to pick up your card by courier.

The police will never send a courier to your home to collect bank cards, cash or other valuable items.

Don't trust caller ID display on your phone – it is not proof of identity

 You can also download the 'Friends Against Scams' App to keep up to date on the latest scams, and use their Ask Silver AI checker to assess the trustworthiness of a website or text you have received. To find out more click here: <https://www.friendsagainstscams.org.uk/>

 If you believe you have been a victim of fraud, call 101 to report it to police or alternatively report fraud online at: <https://www.reportfraud.police.uk/> 

Advice - Rogue Traders and Cold Callers

Humberside Police receive many reports each year about Rogue Traders or Cold Callers trying to force people to buy things or pay for work to be completed.

On many occasions it is the most vulnerable members of our community that are targeted.

Please read the below advice to assist in dealing with situations like this -



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- If you are worried about who is at the door, do not open it.
- Don't allow colder callers into your address.
- Don't be forced into making a decision to buy something.
- Be aware, if issues such as holes in guttering are highlighted about your home, this is a tactic that criminals use. If work is agreed, then the price will keep going up.
- Do not hand over any money, and refuse to be taken to the bank to withdraw money.
- If you believe the person is genuine, take a card and say you will contact them later, if they are genuine, they will not mind.
- Put a 'No Cold Callers' sign on your front door or window.
- If you feel intimidated or threatened by a cold caller, shut the door and call the Police.

Please also find attached the Police Crime Prevention Handbook which covers a broad range of crime prevention advice.



The Police Crime
Prevention Handbook

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](http://visit.gov.uk).

Please take time to visit the websites detailed below:

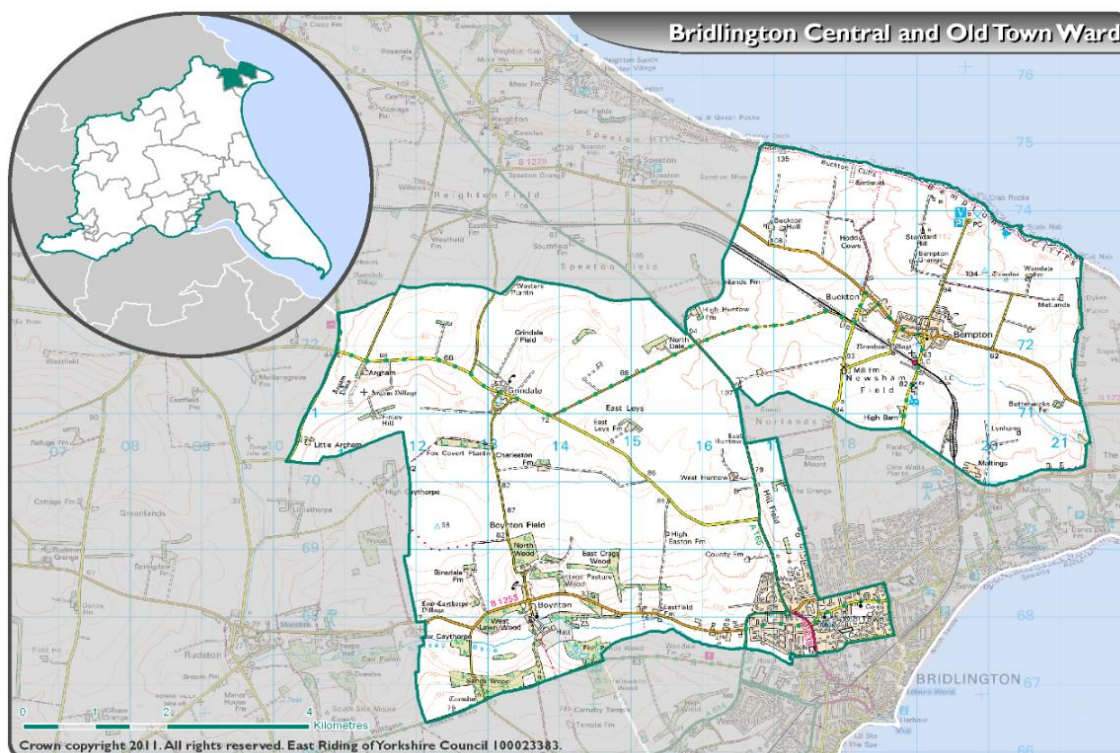
www.reportfraud.police.uk

www.takefive-stopfraud.org.uk/

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

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

AREA COVERED BY BRIDLINGTON CENTRAL AND OLD TOWN WARD





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AREA COVERED BY BRIDLINGTON NORTH WARD



AREA COVERED BY BRIDLINGTON SOUTH WARD

