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Protecting Communities, Targeting Criminals

## Bridlington update – March 2024 Issue

### Meet Your Team



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Inspector



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Sergeant



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Police Constable



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Police Constable



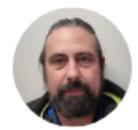
**0163 Maria Adlington**  
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Police Constable



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PCSO



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PCSO



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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](mailto: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 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 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.

### **ASB – Town wide – Ongoing core priority**

We continue to engage with the community and monitor areas subject to ASB. A recent spike in youths engaging in ASB in the Town Centre and at Leisure World, Promenade has been noted. We will conduct high visibility patrols and liaise with housing and social care. We are supporting local businesses with regular patrols and work with other agencies and children's homes to support



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youths and promote positive relationships. Liaison with schools continues. Local officers 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](http://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 and General Information

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

**05/02/2024** - Following numerous reports of off-road motorcycles being ridden dangerously around BRIDLINGTON over a period of several days, Team 1 Patrol officers have attended a local address and arrested a male on suspicion of dangerous driving and other offences. One motorcycle has also been seized. As always please continue to report matters of concern to us.



**06/02/2024** - Mini Police from Quay Academy carrying out Environmental Visual Audit in regard to Crime Prevention and keeping our property safe. On the 7<sup>th</sup> at Quay Academy pupils took part in a session learning about how to keep themselves safe whilst Online.

**16/02/2024** –  
Bridlington  
Neighbourhood

Policing Team, The Rural Task Force and our partners were at The Lifeboat Station talking to local people and marking pedal cycles. This was advertised at the time on social media channels.

**17/02/2024** - After reports to Police of a Silver BMW vehicle driving in a careless manner, Bridlington Patrol Officers located this vehicle, and it was subsequently seized under Section 59 Police Reform Act 2002. We will continue to target those who prove a danger to other road users.

**16/02/2024 - Arrest** - Bridlington Patrol Team 3 - Yesterday a vehicle was seized as the driver had no insurance. The driver also provided a positive drugs wipe and was arrested on suspicion of driving over the limit for a controlled drug. They have since been released under investigation to allow for their blood to be analysed, if found over the limit they face a driving disqualification. We will continue to target those who make our town and roads unsafe.

**25/02/2024** - Two vehicle RTC on the A165 Bridlington Road near to #FRAISTHORPE on Saturday afternoon.





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Witness accounts and some valuable Dashcam footage show the white Mercedes to have drifted across onto the wrong side of the road and into the path of the grey Audi, in what was almost a head on collision.

Fortunately, only minor injuries sustained by the driver of the Audi. Driver of the Mercedes reported for driving without due care and attention.

**27/02/2024** – Rural Task Force – Op Galileo hare coursing patrols have continued over the weekend in partnership with Humberside Fire & Rescue Service drone & Farmwatch members. The team will continue to take positive action to deter rural crime & wildlife crime in Humberside.



**28/02/2024** - Chief Constable Paul Anderson said: “Last year saw the successful initial launch of Operation Shield with more than 900 arrests, and nearly 300 people charged. This new month-long intensification period is a continuation of this, developing the previous work done by our officers.”



Operation Shield is back to clamp down on criminals across our force area, and we would always encourage you to report you to report any offences to us so we can build the bigger picture and take action. You can provide information to the charity Crimestoppers completely anonymously on 0800 555 111, or on their website [www.crimestoppers.org.uk](http://www.crimestoppers.org.uk).

Keep an eye on our local channels across the next four weeks for updates on what’s happening in your area.

Read all about the return of Op Shield here: <https://ow.ly/bVBf50QILha>

**Update** - Op Shield officers have carried our nine warrants and arrested 77 people for a number of offences, including ten linked to domestic abuse suspects, in their first week of intensified action.

**29/02/2024** - Four men have admitted going equipped to steal and causing criminal damage in relation to an incident in East Yorkshire in 2022.

Scott Turton, 43, Andrew Richardson, 43, Marc Scantlebury, 40, and Robert Armstrong, 42, all of Houghton Le Spring, all appeared for sentencing at Hull Magistrates Court last week, after pleading guilty at an earlier court hearing.



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The men were found by farmers on private farmland near Hayton in East Yorkshire using metal detectors without permission, on Friday 18 March 2022.

Officers attended and worked with the farmers, using specialist equipment, to locate the men. All four were subsequently arrested in nearby fields.

Following a complex investigation, with the assistance of Heritage England and Northumbria Police, the four males were charged with criminal damage and going equipped to steal.

Richardson was ordered to pay fines and costs totalling over £200 as well as £125 compensation. Armstrong was sentenced to 21 weeks and ordered to pay £125 compensation. Turton was given a 16-week suspended sentence, fined £350 and ordered to pay £125 compensation.

Scantlebury was given a 21-week suspended sentence, fined £350 and ordered to pay costs of £129 and £125 compensation.

All four were given deprivation orders for their metal detecting equipment.

The officer in the case PC Rich Fussey from the Rural Task Force said “The act of illegal metal detecting or Nighthawking is an issue that impacts many of our landowners across the East Riding of Yorkshire.

Read more here: <https://ow.ly/7JEI50QJnqs>

## 4. Appeals

**09/02/2024** - Do you know the family of 78-year-old Robert Farey from Bridlington, who sadly died in December last year? His death is not being treated as suspicious, however despite a number of lines of enquiry we have not been able to locate his next of kin.

Can you help? If you have any information that would help us find Robert’s next of kin, please call us on our non-emergency line 101 quoting log 277 of 19 January.



**04/03/2024** - Detectives conducting lines of enquiry after a 67-year-old man sustained injuries on the corner of Princess Street in Bridlington between 12.10am and 12.35am on Saturday 10 February, are appealing for witnesses or CCTV footage to assist with their investigation.

Investigating the case is Detective Chief Inspector Alli Sweeting, who said: “At this time, we are unsure as to how the man sustained his injuries and are conducting extensive lines of enquiry to determine the circumstances around what has happened to him.



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“The man was admitted to hospital on Saturday 24 February as a result of his injuries, and so we are urging anyone who saw the man or anyone who may have CCTV footage from around the time or area, to come forward.

“Officers are trying to fully ascertain the entirety of the route he took, but it is believed the man left the Inn pub on foot and walked down Cross Street, along the Promenade, and then onto Princess Street near to the Top 20 Café.

“The man who has been injured is described as white, 5ft 4 inches tall, wearing blue jeans, a dark coat, and a pair of black sketchers. He is also described as bald, and at the time he was wearing glasses and using two crutches.

“Please contact us on our non-emergency number 101 quoting log 199 of 3 March with any information that may assist with our investigation.”

## 5. Scams and Crime Prevention

**My Community Alert** is a free messaging system operated by Humberside Police Humberside Fire & Rescue Service & Humberside Police and Crime Commissioner giving you information about incidents happening in your rural area. Please sign up at [www.mycommunityalert.co.uk](http://www.mycommunityalert.co.uk)



## Stop! Think Fraud

Fraudsters impersonate people or organisations you trust. Find out common tactics they use so you're ready to spot them.

Learn more: <https://stopthinkfraud.campaign.gov.uk/how-to-spot-fraud/>

## Did you know?

Fraud accounts for almost 40% of all crime. In just one year, 1 in 17 adults in England and Wales were victims of fraud. That's nearly 3 million of us.

1 in 5 businesses were also a victim of fraud over a 3-year period. In other words, fraud is rife, and it can happen to anyone.



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## Think you're immune from fraud?

Fraudsters can use highly manipulative methods to get us when our defences are down. Nobody is immune from fraud. We can all be more alert to the risks, and we can all do more to protect ourselves.

## 4 ways to frustrate a fraudster

### Q1. Do you stop to check who's really contacting you?

Fraudsters often call or message people, pretending to be from their bank, other well-known and trusted companies, or even someone they know. They can be very convincing, particularly if they've already managed to get hold of some personal information, for example by looking on social media. Having earned their victim's trust, they often ask them to hand over confidential information, make a payment or give them access to their phone or computer.

### How to reduce your risk

Never take calls or messages like this at face value – always take time to stop, think and check if the caller or sender is who they say they are.

If you've received a suspicious call or message:

- don't be rushed into a quick decision – think carefully before handing over money, personal details or access to your device
- if you have any doubts, hang up and do not call the number provided
- be aware that fraudsters can spoof phone numbers, so the number that appears on your caller ID may not be proof of who they are
- instead, check with the organisation directly using contact details you know are correct, such as those on a utility bill, official website, on the back of your card or by 159 for banks





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- if you get a message from a family member asking you to send money, use known contact details to check if it's real

## Q2. Do you automatically trust offers and click on links?

“Half-price tickets to a sold-out gig!” “Incredible savings on a last-minute holiday – hurry!”  
Fraudsters know most people love a bargain, so they use discounts, time pressure and FOMO (fear of missing out) to pressure them into paying out for non-existent deals. Or they urge people to click on links in phishing messages that can take them to a fake website, where the fraudster can steal cash and personal details, or infect the victim's device.

### How to reduce your risk

If you see a tempting offer:

- don't be rushed into a quick decision – always take time to stop, think and check if the message, offer or advert is genuine
- don't automatically click a link, particularly in unexpected messages
- if you're not 100% sure, don't use the link to click through – go direct to the organisation's website
- always stay on trusted websites and use the site's recommended payment methods
- avoid paying by bank transfer or virtual currency
- think carefully before you hand over any money or personal details

## Q3. Do you use the same password for different accounts?

Lots of people use the same password for multiple accounts, such as email, bank account and social media accounts. Less to remember, right? But imagine if a fraudster gets hold of that password. Now they can access all of their victim's online accounts.

### How to reduce your risk

Choose a different password for each account. Too difficult to remember them all? You can keep track of passwords using a password manager, or by using three random words to make them more memorable.

You should:





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- never choose a password that features names, places and numbers that are personal to you
- choose a different password for each account that is strong and hard to guess but if you can't change them all at once, prioritise your email account

#### **Q4. Do you use 2-step verification?**

Even if someone has chosen strong and unique passwords for their email and bank accounts, there's always a risk – however small – that a fraudster could get hold of them. If they do, there's nothing to stop them accessing those accounts to steal money and other personal details.

#### **How to reduce your risk**

Setup 2-step verification (2SV) on your most important accounts, such as email and social media. 2SV works by asking for more information to prove your identity when you're logging into an online account. It's one of the most effective ways to protect your online accounts from criminals.

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](http://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](mailto: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](#).
- HMRC Debt management teams do contact members of the public by phone about paying outstanding debts.



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- 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.gov.uk).

**Please take time to visit the websites detailed below:**

[www.ageuk.org.uk/barnet/our-services/latest-scams](http://www.ageuk.org.uk/barnet/our-services/latest-scams)

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

[www.takefive-stopfraud.org.uk/](http://www.takefive-stopfraud.org.uk/)

[www.citizensadvice.org.uk/consumer/scams/check-if-something-might-be-a-scam/](http://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](http://mycommunityalert.co.uk) to start receiving real time updates now.

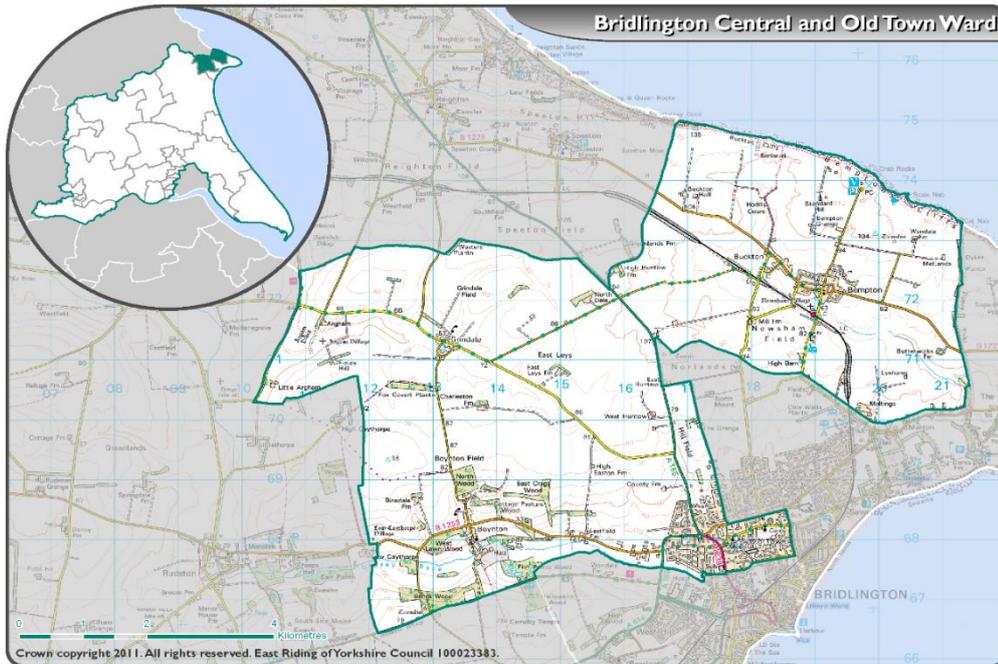
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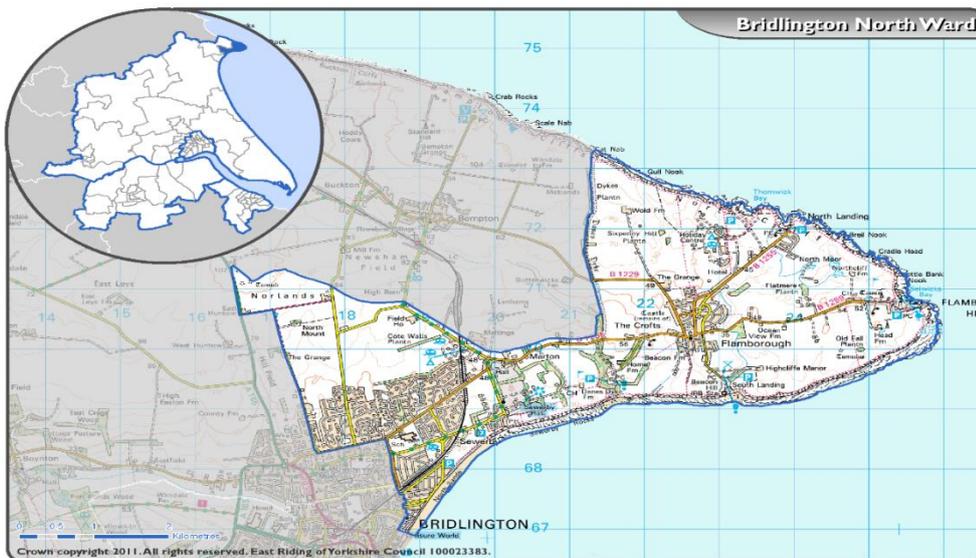
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## AREA COVERED BY BRIDLINGTON CENTRAL AND OLD TOWN WARD



## AREA COVERED BY BRIDLINGTON NORTH WARD





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## AREA COVERED BY BRIDLINGTON SOUTH WARD

