

<u>Bridlington update – August 2025 Issue</u>

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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 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/

We continue to review intelligence. NPT have recently been undertaking proactive patrolling as a whole team to flood hotspot areas. Positive stop searches for drugs have been made.

ASB including nuisance motorbikes – Town wide – Ongoing core priority

We continue to engage with the community and monitor areas subject to ASB. Currently 3 hotspot areas have been identified as Alderson Court, Remembrance Court and Britannia Road as well as town-wide issues with off-road motorbikes. Leaflet drops with ERYC ASB officers have been conducted. New fencing has been erected around the fields on Gypsey Road to prevent bikes using the fields and causing damage.

There have been several seizures of motorbikes recently, including electric Sur-Ron style bikes. This enforcement action has been promoted on social media and My Community Alert.



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 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.

Operation Yellowfin will be carrying out patrols in the areas affected.

Shop Theft – We will continue to address high demand locations. Work is ongoing with retail premises in the area of Promenade, St Johns Street and Hilderthorpe Road. 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 - Tea and Toast - Every Friday 10am to 11am - HINGE CENTRE, QUAY ROAD, BRIDLINGTON

Police Surgery - Tea morning - **Monday and Wednesday 11am to 12pm - CHRIST CHURCH, QUAY ROAD**

Police Surgery – Coffee Afternoon - Every Tuesday - NORTH LIBRARY - 2pm to 4pm

Flamborough Village Surgery dates -

They will take place on Tuesdays at FLAMBOROUGH LIBRARY, SOUTH SEA ROAD, FLAMBOROUGH between 15:00 and 16:30.

They are on the following dates: 16/09/2025 and 09/12/2025.

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

3. Local News, General Information & Appeals

03/07/2025 - Two men have been charged following reports of a van being broken into on Travis Street in Bridlington at around 11.40pm on Thursday, 3 July.

Adam Crossman, 41, of Windsor Crescent in Bridlington, has been charged with theft from a motor vehicle and possession of a controlled Class B drug. He was remanded into custody to appear at Hull Magistrates' Court at a later date.

Ben Dobson, 38, of Hessle Road in Hull, has been charged with theft from a motor vehicle. He was also remanded into custody to appear at Hull Magistrates' Court at a later date.

It was reported that a number of tools, believed to be worth approximately £4,500, had been taken from a vehicle on Travis Street in Bridlington on Thursday, 3 July.



10/07/2025 - Residential Burglary

A house burglary has occurred on **South Back Lane**, **Bridlington** on 10/7/25 between 05:20 and 06:18. Crime Reference No: 25000095472. If anyone has seen anything or has any CCTV which might aid Police then please contact 101 quoting this number.

Circualted on MyCommunityAlert at the time.

11/07/2025 - Todays warrant execution on Nelson Street in Bridlington is a key step in restoring safety and stability to our community. We remain committed to the Clear, Hold, Build strategy, removing criminal elements, maintaining secure spaces and investing in long-term community resilience



12/07/2025 - Male arrested - Patrol officers were

called to reports of a black VW Gold allegedly being driven dangerously around Bridlington. Moments later the vehicle was involved in a road traffic collision outside Leisure World, leading to three people sustaining minor injuries. The driver of the Golf then fled the scene, abandoning the car.

Thankfully an off-duty officer was enjoying a meal at a nearby eatery with his family, and never truly being off duty, the officer sprang into action and pursued the driver. The man was subsequently swiftly detained and arrested nearby.

Michael Holdsworth, 37-years-old, of St Stephen Road in Bridlington was consequently arrested and charged for driving whilst unfit through drugs and alcohol, driving whilst disqualified, driving without insurance, failing to stop, and failing to provide a specimen for analysis.

Following his appearance at Hull Magistrates Court on Monday, 14 July, Holdsworth pleaded guilty to all offences and has been sentenced to nine months in prison, disqualified from driving for five years with the requirement to take an extended test, and handed a fine of £154.

15/07/2025 - Two arrested after car driven into shop, Bridlington

Two men have been arrested following reports of a car colliding with the front of a shop on St John Street in Bridlington on Tuesday, 15 July.

At around 11.30pm, it is reported that a car collided with the front of a shop on St John Street causing extensive damage, before allegedly making off from the scene in the vehicle.

A 36-year-old man has subsequently been arrested on suspicion of conspiring to destroy property, failing to stop, driving a vehicle whilst unfit through drugs, driving a motor vehicle dangerously,



driving otherwise than in accordance with a license and using a motor vehicle in a public place without third party insurance.

A 20-year-old man has also been arrested on suspicion of conspiring to destroy property. Both men remain in police custody whilst enquires continue. Thankfully no one is believed to have been injured in the incident. We appeal for anyone with information that may assist our enquiries to please call us on our non-emergency number 101, quoting investigation reference 25*98418.

16/07/2025 – Today in BRIDLINGTON, our eagle-eyed town CCTV Operator spotted a vehicle of interest, which was believed to be linked to a recent incident. Patrols were deployed and Neighbourhoods Sgt ALMOND intercepted the vehicle, which subsequently failed to stop for Police. A pursuit occurred around the town and following an exceptional team effort, especially from Neighbourhoods and Patrol Team 3, the pursuit was brought to a safe conclusion. Two males were subsequently arrested for multiple offences and they currently remain in custody for questioning. The vehicle was also seized, along with a quantity of cash.



18/07/2025 - Man charged with stalking and drug offences

A 54-year-old man has been charged with stalking and drug offences in Flamborough and Leeds between May and July 2025.

Wayne Taylor, of Dunnock Place in Leeds, has been charged with stalking, possession of a class A drug, and breach of a restraining order.

He appeared at Hull Magistrates Court on Wednesday, 16 July where he was remanded into custody to appear at court at a later date.

19/07/2025 & 25/07/2025 - Officers have been out and about the town on foot this evening as part of **Operation Prowess**. These patrols are designed to target hotspot areas to reduce crime and ASB in your community.

During today's patrols it was great to speak to a number of local residents, employees and visitors and get your view on what's important to you. During these patrols an adult male was also detained and searched under section 23 Misuse of Drugs Act. No drugs were found on this occasion, but we will continue to target those bringing harm to our community.



25/07/2025 - House burglary Update - Queens Square, Bridlington

Approx. 0305 hours a male was seen trying door handles in the QUEENS SQUARE area of BRIDLINGTON, if you have any CCTV footage of a male in all dark clothing in or around the area, please contact Police on 101 quoting 25000103282.

Circulated on My Community Alert at the time.

25/07/2025 - House burglary Update - Alderson Court, Bridlington

The incident occurred at 4.00am on the 26/7/2025. The offender(s) approached the rear door and attempted to gain access by damaging door handle.

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: 25*104096.

Circulated on My Community Alert at the time.

4. Scams / Crime Prevention / Public Safety



Has your child taken part in the Mini Police Project?

If so, why don't they join the New Mini Police Challenge for the summer holidays. To find out more, click here:

11/07/2025 - Citizens' Academy is Back – this time at the Bridlington Community Hub!

Humberside Police have teamed up with Community VISION CIO and the Bridlington Community Hub to launch Citizens' Academy 2025.

This is an exciting opportunity to learn more about what we do and see first-hand how we work.

The programme will provide a small group of individuals with an insight into all areas of policing along with a chance to have your say.

The Citizens' Academy will begin in September 2025 so to find out more and register, fill out this form:

https://ow.ly/seQf50Vlt9a





NFU Mutual Funded Suicide Prevention Training For Rural Communities

There is a growing understanding that more awareness is needed in Suicide Prevention and Mental Health affecting the farming and rural communities.

- ♦ In the UK, 462,100 people work in agriculture which is 1% of the workforce but 19% of all deaths in the workplace
- ♦ 95% of young farmers believe mental health is the biggest hidden danger
- ♦ 91% say poor wellbeing directly links to unsafe working practices
- ♦ Many farmers work 60–80+ hours per week, often in isolation and under immense financial stress
- ♦ In 2022, 44 suicides were recorded in farming and agriculture

As a result, we are pleased to advertise a free 3.5 hour online training course covering Suicide Prevention within the rural communities which has been kindly funded by the NFU Mutual Charitable Foundation.

To register please click on the link or follow the QR code on the poster below for more details.

https://lnkd.in/eu2UHVdz



Sow a seed of HOPE: Funded Suicide Prevention Training in Yorkshire for rural communities

Do you work in farming or agriculture? Want to know how to support someone with thoughts of suicide?

This SPEAK (3.5 hours) training course has been kindly funded by the NFU Mutual Charitable Trust.

For any questions or further information, please contact: englandnorth@papyrus-uk.org Date: 18 September 2025 Time: 13:00-16:30

Location: Zoom



Scan the QR code to register.





Thought provoking, and has increased my confidence in the support I can give to pupils and students in my care.



SPEAK Training Participant





Registered Charity Number: 1070896 OSCR Registered Charity Number: SCO52556 Registered Company Number: 03555482



Reduce the risk that you become a victim of lock snapping

Across the Humberside area we are still seeing offenders gaining entry to properties by snapping lock cylinders, hence the name lock snapping.

When the cylinder is snapped it allows access to the locking mechanism of a UPVC door, which then allows the door to be opened, the process is very quick and quiet.

The good news is there are some simple tips you can follow to reduce the risk of this happening at your property.

- Fit an anti lock snap cylinder to your door, this is identified by a 3-star kite mark on the cylinder or a 3-diamond kite mark.
- Ensure that the cylinder is correctly measured and doesn't stick out to allow pliers or grips to be used to snap it.
- Use a 2-star kite mark door handle, which will provide additional security for the cylinder.
- Cover your door with motion activated CCTV that will alert you if anyone approaches the door.
- Use dusk to dawn lighting, or a light with a PIR sensor that will illuminate anyone who is near your door.

The pictures below show the kite marks on the anti-lock snap cylinders.





The below picture shows how the cylinder should look when fitted correctly.



If you require any further information, you should contact an accredited locksmith who can advise on the correct cylinder for your door.

Further crime prevention advice is available on the Secured by Design website.



Action Fraud is urging people to look out for rogue QR codes, after 784 reports of 'quishing' were made to Action Fraud between April 2024 and April 2025, with almost £3.5 million lost.

A new alert has been issued by Action Fraud, warning about quishing, a form of phishing where a fraudulent QR code is scanned, designed to steal personal and financial



information. The warning encourages people to stay vigilant and double check QR codes to see if they are malicious, or have been tampered with, before scanning them online or in public spaces. Action Fraud can reveal that quishing happens most frequently in car parks, with criminals using stickers to tamper with QR codes on parking machines. Quishing also occurred on online shopping platforms, where sellers received a QR code via email to either verify accounts or to receive payment for sold items.

Reports also showed phishing attacks were taking place impersonating HMRC, or other UK government schemes, targeting people with QR codes designed to steal personal and financial details.

What can you do avoid being a victim of quishing?

- QR codes used in pubs or restaurants are usually safe to scan.
- Scanning QR codes in open spaces (like stations and car parks) might pose a greater risk.
 Check for signs that codes may have been tampered with (usually by a sticker placed over the legitimate QR code). If in doubt, do not scan them: use a search engine to find the official website or app for the organisation you need to make a payment to.
- If you receive an email with a QR code in it, and you're asked to scan it, you should be cautious due to an increase in these types of 'quishing' attacks.
- Finally, we recommend that you use the QR-scanner that comes with your phone, rather than using an app downloaded from an app store.

If you receive a suspicious email, report it by forwarding it to report@phishing.gov.uk

Find out how to protect yourself from fraud: https://stopthinkfraud.campaign.gov.uk

If you've been a victim of fraud, report it at www.actionfraud.police.uk or by calling 0300 123 2040



In a new Home Office announcement, Giggoers have been urged to be wary of scams when purchasing last-minute tickets on social media after Action Fraud reporting shows £1.6 million was lost to concert ticket fraud in 2024.



On the eve of Glastonbury, British music lovers are being urged to take caution over last-minute tickets for sale on social media.

last-minute tickets for sale on social media, after new figures revealed that the amount lost to ticket fraud more than doubled to £1.6m in 2024.

The government has issued the warning as part of its wider crackdown on scammers and online fraud, designed to ensure money is kept in working people's pockets, as part of the Plan for Change.

With a host of tours and festivals due to take place this summer, including the Oasis reunion tour kicking off in July, new Action Fraud data released by the Home Office today finds the public lost more than £1.6 million in scams related to concert tickets in 2024 - more than double the figure from the previous year.

Around 3,700 gig ticket fraud reports were made to Action Fraud in 2024, with almost half of them referring to offers made on social media platforms. The government has called on tech companies to go further and faster to protect the public from the fraudulent offers being advertised on their platforms.

The data shows that people in their twenties were most likely to become victims of ticket fraud last year, accounting for 27% of all victims, and the government has urged people to follow the government's Stop! Think Fraud campaign advice to ensure they are protected from scams ahead of a busy summer of gigs and festivals.

If you're offered tickets for something in high demand don't let the fear of missing out rush your decision. Take a moment to stop, think, and check if the offer is genuine.

Only buy tickets from the venue's box office or an official ticketing website.

Never move away from an official payment platform to make a direct payment via bank transfer or virtual currency. Use the site's recommended payment methods to stay protected.

https://www.actionfraud.police.uk/news/ticket-fraud-alert



Electric cycles and the law: what you need to know

If you have a cycle that is fitted with a battery it must conform with UK law.

The easiest way to check this is if the cycle has been adapted that is had any power or extra controls as electric bikes limited to 25kph/15.5mph but fitted with off-road switches or modes that, when triggered, enable a bike's motor to continue assisting to speeds beyond 25kph/15.5mph, do not comply with UK e-bike law.

If it falls into this area the cycle will be seized by police and the rider reported for road traffic offences which means there could be a fine/costs to pay and points to add to the riders driving license if they hold one.

The cycle will be taken and disposed of there is no way of claiming the cycle back.



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 <u>phishing@hmrc.gsi.gov.uk</u> and texts to 60599, or contact Action Fraud on 0300 123 2040 to report any suspicious calls or use their <u>online fraud reporting tool</u>.



- 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.

Please take time to visit the websites detailed below:

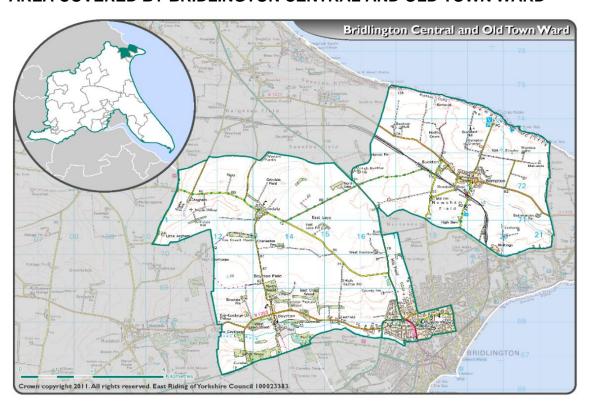
www.ageuk.org.uk/barnet/our-services/latest-scams

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

www.takefive-stopfraud.org.uk/

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

AREA COVERED BY BRIDLINGTON CENTRAL AND OLD TOWN WARD





AREA COVERED BY BRIDLINGTON NORTH WARD



AREA COVERED BY BRIDLINGTON SOUTH WARD

