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Driffield/Rural/East Wolds & Coastal Wards



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Driffield Police Station Front Counter OPEN

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 9am-5pm (Closed 1pm-2pm).



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Call in for advice, to report an incident, or just a chat

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Driffield Community Team

Your Neighbourhood Policing Team (NPT) plays a vital role in tackling many of the local issues that matter to you. They are out in your area every day, and always available to offer crime prevention advice or for you to raise concerns with.

Each NPT consists of a dedicated Sergeant, Police Constables (PCs) and Police Community Support Officers (PCSOs), all under the command of an Inspector. While they may be the ones you see the most, the NPTs do not work alone. They are supported by staff and officers from across the whole Humberside Police force area, and they work closely with local authorities, community leaders and residents to decide the local policing priorities for the area and find useful, long-term solutions. Our approach is shaped by four key themes: We protect vulnerable people and keep people safe; We are out in your communities, visible, listening and working with you to deliver the services you need; We successfully tackle crime and ASB; We will be there when you need us.

Cllr Leo Hammond, Deputy Police and Crime Commissioner along with Hornsea Neighbourhood Policing Team met with Bewholme residents to discuss traffic management solutions to reduce speed and create safer roads in the village #OpSnap #SaferRoads





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- Driffield NPT finished delivering the Mini Police programme at Nafferton School on 17th June. Extremely positive feedback was obtained from staff and students. Plans are already underway for delivery of the next Mini Police programme at a different school beginning in September 2025.
- Driffield NPT have continued to work closely with East Riding Council ASB Team and Housing Team in order to conduct regular joint visits and street surgeries.
- Driffield NPT have attended Driffield Show along with Roads Policing and Rural Task Force. It is estimated that over 30,000 people attended the event. A debrief has been conducted with the organiser and plans are underway for next year's event which will be the 150th Driffield Show.
- Driffield NPT have delivered talks to numerous schools in the area regarding the Lifestyle Project which will run during the school summer holidays.
- Driffield NPT have continued to visit Parish Council meetings to speak to local councillors regarding any issues/concerns.

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Planned Engagement Activities:

What	When (dd/mm/yy)	Where (location)	Who (is attending/delivering?)
Driffield Manor Surgery	08/08/2025 (10.30-	Driffield Manor,	7656
	11.45hrs)	Middle Street North	
Driffield Steam Fair town	09/08/2025 (16.00-	Driffield Town	1001 & 7656
run-through	20.00hrs)	Centre	
Driffield Youth Action Trip	11/08/2025 (All Day)	East Barnby, North	1001, 2431 & 7656
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Driffield Library Surgery	12/08/2025 (10.00-	Driffield Library,	7656
	12.00hrs)	Cross Hill	
Patch Walk with ASB	15/08/2025 (13.30-	ASB Hotspots in	1001 & 7568
Officer	15.00hrs)	Driffield	
Active Fridays	15/08/2025 (19.00-	Driffield Leisure	2431 & 7656
	20.00hrs)	Centre	
Meals for Misters	20/08/2025 (11.45-	Cass Hall, King	7656
	13.00hrs)	Street, Driffield	
Active Fridays	22/08/2025 (19.00-	Driffield Leisure	1001 & 7568
	20.00hrs)	Centre	
Driffield Library Surgery	28/08/2025 (10.00-	Driffield Library,	7656
	12.00hrs)	Cross Hill	
Driffield Craft Group	01/09/2025 (10.00-	Cass Hall, King	7656
	11.30hrs)	Street, Driffield	
Driffield Games Group	02/09/2025 (10.00-	Driffield Library,	7656
	11.30hrs)	Cross Hill	
Meals for Misters	03/09/2025 (11.45-	Cass Hall, King	7656
	13.00hrs)	Street, Driffield	
Memory Café	03/09/2025 (13.00-	Driffield Methodist	7656
	14.00hrs)	Church	
Active Fridays	05/09/2025 (19.00-	Driffield Leisure	2431
	20.00hrs)	Centre	
Cuppa and a Chorus	09/09/2025 (10.00-	Driffield Library,	7656
	11.30)	Cross Hill	
Active Fridays	11/09/2025 (19.00-	Driffield Leisure	7568
	20.00hrs)	Centre	
Brandesburton Parish	15/09/2025 (19.00-	Brandesburton	1001 & 7568
Council	20.00hrs)	Community Centre	
Meals for Misters	17/09/2025 (11.45-	Cass Hall, King	7656
	13.00hrs)	Street, Driffield	
Cuppa and a Chorus	23/09/2025 (10.00-	Driffield Library,	7656
	11.30hrs)	Cross Hill	
Active Fridays	26/09/2025 (19.00-	Driffield Leisure	2431 & 7656
	20.00hrs)	Centre	

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Humberside Police - East Riding of Yorkshire North

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Officers from Driffield police station in company with Trading standards have attended a convenience store in Driffield today following community led intelligence. Within the store there was illegal tabacco found hidden amongst other drug related product. #communitypolicing





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#Driffield

Officers spotted this Motorcycle driving around the town earlier today. Officers quickly conducted checks and it became apparent that the driver had no insurance and was not driving within the provisions of his licence.

The vehicle has been seized under s165 RTA 1988 and the driver has been summonsed to Court for the following:

Driving a Vehicle without Insurance

Drive Otherwise In Accordance With a Licence

This now means means the driver will receive a hefty fine and points on his licence.

We will not tolerate this in our town as we continue to try and make our roads safer for everyone.

#SaferRoads #ProactivePolicing #NotOnMyPatch



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RURAL TASK FORCE

- Sgt 2310 Kevin Jones, Team Lead: Heritage, Wildlife & Rural Crime Sergeant
- PC 212 Richard Fussey, Goole, Howdenshire, and Beverley.
- PC 433 Josh Fawcett, Bridlington, Driffield and Hornsea.
- PC 206 Sam Blakenbrough, Holderness
- PC 2429 Nick Beech, Market Weighton, Pocklington and Vale of York

#RuralTaskForce

NORTH YORKSHIRE THEFT OF AGRICULTURAL GPS UNITS

Please be aware of the theft Agricultural GPS Units that has occurred in North Yorkshire. We know in the past these offenders tend to move quickly between counties & across the North of England. So please keep your equipment secure & remember the 3 x R's of #RuralCrimePrevention

- * R Record Serial Numbers, VIN numbers and **CESAR** numbers
- * R Review your Farm Security check CCTV working, lock gates & secure equipment away
- * R Report Suspicious Activity

We are in contact with the regional forces & National Rural Crime Unit, and will continue to monitor the emerging issue.

#RuralCrime #InYourCommunity National Rural Crime Network Humberside Police and Crime Commissioner



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HUMBERSIDE THEFT OF AGRICULTURAL GPS UNITS

Please be aware of the theft of Agricultural GPS screens from a sprayer & combine that has occurred on a farm close to #Cowlam #Driffield off the B1253 approx 01:00hrs this morning (Fri 11th July).

If you have witnessed any suspicious vehicles or persons in this area at this time, or have CCTV in the area that has captured any footage you feel is related to this incident please contact Humberside Police on 101 quoting Log 107 11/07/25 occ 25*95878.

Please keep your equipment secure and remember 3 x R's of #RuralCrimePrevention

- * R record serial numbers, VIN numbers and CESAR numbers
- * R review your farm security check CCTV working, lock gates and secure equipment away

* R - report suspicious activity

We know in the past these offenders will travel cross border and move across the North of England so please keep equipment secure, remove valuable GPS units and report suspicious behaviour on 999.

#RuralCrime

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Officers had a number of stands at the event, including wildlife and rural crime, neighbourhood policing and roads policing including the Bike Simulator, Op Yokohama and Op YellowFin off road bike team.

Neighbourhood Policing Inspector Rob Danby said: "We love to attend these engagement events because they give us a real chance to talk to members of the public about how we can help them. "Policing is not always about chasing criminals, it's about building relationships and trust between us and our communities. If people trust us, they can tell us about crime which helps us to take action and tackle these local issues.

"I'd like to thank everyone who came along to the event and took the time to speak to our teams, but don't worry if you missed us as there will be lots of other local events taking place throughout the summer that the neighbourhood policing teams will be going to.

"Our local teams are available to listen to your concerns and help resolve issues so whenever you need them, they will be there. You can always call for us on our non-emergency number 101 but If you are going to a local fair or event this summer and see our stands, please come and talk to us."



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Safer Streets Spotlight: PC Richard Fussey - Rural Task Force

As part of the national Safer Streets initiative, we're highlighting our officers working at the heart of our communities those tackling crime in some of the most remote and often overlooked areas. Today, PC Richard Fussey shares his experience as part of the Rural Task Force covering the Northbank.

"I joined Humberside Police in 2018 after working in education and countryside management. I'd always had an interest in the policing side of things, particularly wildlife crime, which I first got into during college. When the opportunity came up to apply, I'd already spent two years on patrol in Hull, which was a great way to learn the job. I'd also completed my policing qualifications and had some great advice from former wildlife crime officers who encouraged me to go for it. I started in the Rural Task Force in June 2022, and after just a few months in the role, I knew this was where I wanted to be.

I've always been passionate about the countryside and rural crime. It's an area that's often overlooked, and the victims whether they're farmers, landowners, or wildlife can be silent and unseen. Hares, birds of prey and endangered species they can't speak for themselves, but it's our job to protect them. I wanted to be part of a team that puts rural communities first and makes sure they're heard and

The Rural Task Force is a small but dedicated team just four of us plus our sergeant covering over 1,000 square miles across the East Riding. There's no such thing as a typical day. Our work changes with the seasons. During hare coursing season, for example, I might be out early on a morning looking for vehicles of interest and doing proactive patrols. Other days I'm working on information-led operations like Op Walrus, which targets organised crime groups involved in GPS thefts from farms, a national concern. Some days are more engagement-focused, like attending agricultural shows or visiting farms to offer crime prevention advice. We also support Neighbourhood Policing Teams and patrol officers with rural and wildlife crime elements, including animal welfare and heritage crime.

We deal with a wide range of offences hare coursing, night poaching, badger baiting, nesting bird disturbances, agricultural thefts, and illegal metal detecting, for example. One of the larger successes was the recovery of £350,000 worth of stolen GPS equipment with 48 devices located in total. This case came from strong partnership work and a vehicle stop that led to a full investigation with CID.

Partnership work is essential to what we do. We work closely with the National Wildlife Crime Unit, the National Rural Crime Unit, relevant border agencies, local farm watches, and animal welfare organisations. They provide witness statements, local knowledge, and help us build trust in communities that haven't always had a consistent policing presence. Our team represents a renewed and focused commitment to tackling rural and wildlife crime.

We've seen a 15% reduction in rural crime nationally over the past year, and that reflects the dedication of officers and the strength of our partnerships.

My message to rural communities is simple: if you see something, report it. Whether it's a crime in progress or something that doesn't feel right, please get in touch. Your information helps us identify vulnerabilities and continue improving safety across our rural areas."

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Crime Prevention

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
- 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.

My Community Alert

Have you ever seen a police car or fire engine pass by only to discover the road ahead is closed? Or heard a rumour about a run of crime in your street and wished you had known about it sooner?

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.

Subscribe to My Community Alert to be the first to know about issues that might affect you or your family.

Please click here to complete the survey

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FRAUD ALERT

We have an urgent Trigger Fraud Alert for you. This is taking place in our area - please share with friends and family to keep them safe. We have attached an image version of the alert to this email.

Humberside police have advised about a tactic that is being used by fraudsters. Recently reported in the Grimsby area.

The fraudsters are portraying to be your bank or a police officer and sound legitimate, as they may know some of your personal details and invent an incident: Calling to inform you your card has been cloned.

The fraudster may tell you to hang up and call 101 or your banks real number to check they're genuine. They may say "wait for the beep, then make the call". This is the trick. Even if you dial a new number the scammer stays on the line without you knowing. You think you're speaking to your bank or police but you're still talking to the scammer.

Remember:

- · Your bank or the police will never call you to ask you to verify your personal details or PIN by phone or offer to pick up your card by courier.
- · Hang up, wait a few minutes, and then call your bank or 101 from a different telephone device and/or use a number you know to be genuine, such as the one on the back of your bank card, or by calling 159.
- · The police or your bank will not contact you out of the blue to participate in an investigation or send a courier to your home to collect bank cards, cash, or other valuable items. Any requests to do so are a scam.
- Don't trust Caller ID display on your phone it's not proof of ID.

Reporting and Support

If you have been a victim and lost money, call 101 and report it to Humberside Police. Visit fraudwatch.org.uk for more information about fraud and where to get support. You can also sign up to receive future alerts at alerts.fraudwatch.org.uk.



Tips to prevent you becoming a victim of fraud

Incidents of fraud that involve electronic communication continue to rise, in 2024 there was a 13% rise in fraud incidents being reported to 421,000 incidents, and with only around 1 in 7 frauds being reported, the actual number is expected to be much higher.

Across England and Wales, fraud accounts for 40% of all reported crime, with an estimate that 67% of reported fraud is cyber-enabled.

Whilst I cannot go into every type of fraud in this message, I will cover fraudulent emails and fraudulent text messages, as these methods are the easiest way for fraudsters to make contact.

Emails and text messages that are sent to fraudulently obtain sensitive information such as personal information, usernames, passwords, bank details and credit card information are called phishing messages - so what are these.

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- Phishing messages appear to come from legitimate sources like banks, social media platforms, or online retailers, but they are actually crafted by attackers.
- These messages often contain links to fake websites that mimic legitimate login pages or download malware onto the user's device.
- Phishing attacks rely on the victim's trust in the sender to convince them to take action, like clicking on a link or providing information.
- Phishing attacks can be broad (sending out mass emails hoping to catch some victims) or targeted (specifically targeting individuals or organizations).
- Successfully executed phishing attacks can lead to identity theft, financial losses, and the compromise of sensitive data.

These types of messages do normally have signs that they are not from person or company they claim to be from.

- A generic greeting such as 'dear customer' rather than your name.
- They frequently contain grammatical errors and spelling mistakes.
- Double-check the sender's email address. Look for inconsistencies, misspellings, or the use of free email providers rather than the sender's official domain.
- They often are written to create a sense of urgency or panic, such as claims of money being owed or threatening account suspension, which is something legitimate organisations rarely do via a message.
- The Logo's or branding may have differences from the legitimate organisation.

What should you do if you think you have received a phishing email or text.

- Do not click on any of the links in the messages.
- Send any suspicious emails to <u>report@phishing.gov.uk</u>
- Forward any suspicious text messages to 7726 (spells SPAM on your keypad)
- If you have pressed any links and believe you may have passed on financial information, contact your bank immediately.
- Report any incidents of fraud to <u>Action Fraud</u> or call 0300 123 2040



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FORCE NEWS

We're looking for passionate individuals to join our Independent Advisory Group (IAG) – a diverse panel of community members who work with the police to offer independent advice, challenge thinking, and help shape better policing.

What is an IAG?

An IAG is a group of volunteers from all walks of life who provide honest feedback and insight on how policing impacts their communities. The aim is to build trust, improve transparency, and ensure that policing is fair and inclusive for everyone.

Why does it matter?

IAGs play a vital role in helping police forces stay connected to the communities they serve. By offering independent perspectives, members help identify community concerns, highlight potential blind spots, and ensure that policing decisions are informed, fair, and culturally sensitive. Your input can influence how we respond to critical incidents, shape local policing priorities, and improve public confidence in the police. It's a real opportunity to be heard and to help shape a safer, more inclusive community for all.

Meetings

Meetings take place bi-monthly and are held at Melton Police Station

To find out more head over to our IAG Website or the email the Northbank Community Cohesion Team.

The officers behind the Prowess

You may have heard of 'hotspot' policing which involves targeting activities in our community where concerns have been raised by residents about crime in their area.

In policing, we love an operation name, and hotspot policing in our area is locally known as Op Prowess. This is nothing new for our officers, it's all part of daily business, but it allows for additional resources and the funding to put proactive, problem-solving policing into practice in the right areas at the right times.

As part of our Safer Streets Summer campaign, we caught up with the brains behind the prowess to learn more about what they've been up to and how multiple teams with a whole host of skillsets come together to make a difference where you live and work.

Whilst the focus of Op Prowess is on areas of communities across our force most effected by crime, 'hotspot' policing primarily aims to tackle crimes such as anti-social behaviour, knife crime, and serious violence.

By identifying these 'hotspots', dedicated officers are then deployed to these areas to assist in significantly reducing the crime levels through a problem-orientated policing approach.

Using high visibility foot patrols to deter criminals from operating in these areas and arresting them, are just a couple of ways of significantly reducing crime, but there's so much more to it, and Op Prowess works really closely with our Crime Reduction Unit (CRU) and Neighbourhood Policing teams (NPTs) to make a tangible difference and ultimately get to the root of the problems.

Read more.

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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.

Burglary is a particularly invasive crime that can have a lasting impact on victims. If you have been a victim and need support and help, you should have been offered the services of Victim Support. You may have declined at the time, or not noticed the offer, but can refer yourself at any time by either calling 0808 168 9111 or visiting their website www.victimsupport.org.uk.

Burglars do not want to get caught, so taking action to make your home or business premises safe and less attractive to thieves can go a long way to reducing the risk.

Not all advice, or security products recommended are the same, or necessarily fit for purpose.

If looking to take positive action to prevent yourself from being a victim of this type of crime, help and advice can be found on the Neighbourhood Watch website.

If you ever experience this issue or have information regarding an incident, please report it using our online reporting tools at https://www.humberside.police.uk/, speak to an operator in our Force Communications Room via our online web chat or call the non-emergency number 101.

Alternatively, you can stay 100 per cent anonymous by contacting the independent charity Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111 or via their untraceable online form at crimestoppers-uk.org.

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Applications to join our Special Constabulary are now open!

Do you have a desire to make a difference and give something back to your community?

Have you always loved the idea of volunteering?

Now is your chance – applications to join our Special Constabulary are now open!

Our Special Constables provide a crucial service across the whole of our Humberside Police force area. They have the same powers and responsibilities as full- and part-time, paid officers.

Our Special Constabulary is made up of like-minded people who all run towards danger, just like our regular officers. Special Constables are an integral part of Humberside Police helping u protect communities across the Humber region.

The role of a Special Constable means that no two days are the same, from arresting wanter people, patrolling community events to attending emergency incidents.





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CONTACT US

Find Us On Line

Below are links to the main sites in each of the local authorities that cover the Humberside Area. A great way to keep up to date with what it going on is on Social Media – especially Twitter – we will share as much as we can but keep your eye out for other partners who are trying to promote the great work they do to help engage families and young people. We also have a Facebook Page @HPYouthEngagementTeam so please follow us on there and remind your communities to get in touch with what's going on in their area!

Please take time to visit the websites detailed below:

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

www.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 visit https://www.police.uk

Follow us:



www.twitter.com/@Humberbeat_ERY



Humberside Police - East Riding of Yorkshire North | Facebook

We would like to hear what you think about our social media channels.

Whether it's things you like, or things you think we could improve, let us know by completing our social media survev.

The survey takes no more than 10 minutes and is completely anonymous: https://www.police.uk/socialmedia-survey-2023/

Police Station Front Counters - Driffield - WE ARE OPEN

Our normal opening hours are 9am-5pm Tuesday Wednesday and Thursday. We are closed between 1pm to 2pm each day. (On occasions the station may be closed during these times due to Sickness, Annual leave, or Training).

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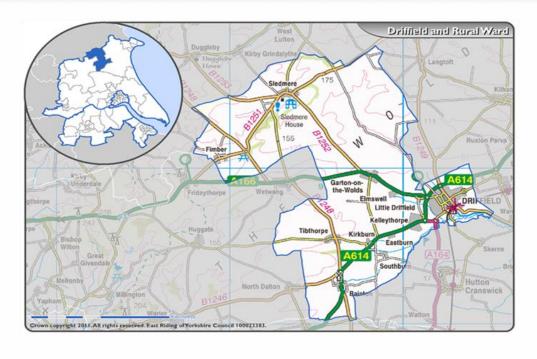




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