

Happy New Year

2026



Driffield/ Rural/East Wolds & Coastal Wards



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FRONT COUNTER

Driffield Police Station Front Counter **OPEN**

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

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

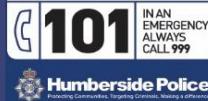
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DRIFFIELD NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICING TEAM



Memory Café	07/01/2026 13.00-15.00	Driffield Methodist Church, Driffield	7656
Cuppa and a Chorus	13/01/2026 10.00-12.00	Driffield Library, Cross Hill	7656
DYA Meeting	13/01/2026 14.00-15.00	Scotchkburn Garth, Driffield	1001 & 7568
ASB Meeting	21/01/2026 19.00-20.00	Burton Ages Sports Club	1001 & 7568
Love Driffield Foodbank	22/01/2026 10.00-12.00	Market Place, Driffield	7656
Cuppa and a Chorus	27/01/2026 10.00-12.00	Driffield Library, Cross Hill	7656

Anti social behaviour (ASB) is a serious issue that negatively impacts all our communities, and it's our problem-solving champions AKA our neighbourhood policing teams who tackle ASB and get to the root cause of any issues alongside response officers, and investigation teams.

It's business as usual for all our teams, but as we move into January, we will be continuing to support the Home Office initiative, Winter of Action, which is a continuum of the Yuletide Winter of Action, shining a spotlight on the teams that sit at the very core of policing.

Over the next few weeks, we're going to be sharing a series of case studies from all over our force area, which shine a light on all the proactive problem-solving our Neighbourhood Policing Teams have been focusing on in your area.

[Hear more from force lead for ASB, Superintendent Doug Blackwood.](#)

Patrolling the coast and tackling ASB

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 about the work his teams have been up to.](#)

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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

Two men handed with CBO's following court appearance.

Following the work carried out by officers from our Rural Task Force, two men have been issued with Criminal Behaviour Orders (CBO) of seven years following their appearance at Beverley Magistrates Court on Monday, 29 December 2025.

Lewis Sheridan, 39-years-old, of Thicketford Road in Bolton, pleaded guilty to trespass with intent to search for or to pursue hares with dogs, and being equipped for searching for hares with dogs.

Joel Miller, 29-years-old, of Bryn Crescent in Rhuddlan, pleaded guilty to trespass with intent to search for or to pursue hares with dogs, being equipped for searching for hares with dogs, and failure to provide driver details when requested.

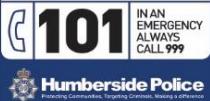
Find out more: <https://www.humbeside.police.uk/.../cbos-issued-by.../>

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CRIME PREVENTION

Make it a resolution to keep your bike safe #OpYuletide

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

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

Unfortunately, cycle theft remains high in our force area and we are encouraging cycle owners to ensure they register their bike, whether it is new old, on Bike Register:

<https://www.bikeregister.com/> or Immobilise: <http://www.immobilise.com/>.

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

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

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

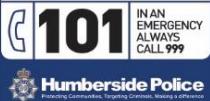
[See more crime prevention advice.](#)

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Any vehicle can be stolen — but high-spec models and sports cars remain the most sought after.

Cars today can be taken in a variety of ways. Faraday bags can help, but only for some vehicles. They are not a universal fix. If you're unsure, ask questions and do your research.

Many people don't realise that some cars can be stolen without the key being present. Offenders can exploit the vehicle's own signal to clone its identity. This isn't a myth — it's reality.

Secondary security is now essential

If you own something desirable, modern, shiny, or in demand, you must consider extra protection:

- Aftermarket alarms (always check your warranty first)
- Steering locks
- Immobilisers
- Pedal boxes
- Tracking devices — not mobile-phone app trackers, which are easily disabled

These measures don't make your vehicle impossible to steal, but they make you a far less attractive target.

We strongly advise checking the list of most stolen cars in the UK this year so you understand your risk level.

Buying cars online – especially on Facebook Marketplace

The stolen and cloned vehicle market is out of control, and every day we seize cars from innocent buyers who thought they'd found a bargain. Criminals rely on rushed sales, low prices, and convincing stories.

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To protect yourself:

- Meet the seller at their home, not in a car park
- Ask for ID and go inside the property
- Pay by bank transfer, not cash
- Only buy during DVLA taxing hours so you can tax the car immediately
- Check all VIN numbers and verify the vehicle's history
- Film the transaction
- And remember: if it seems too good to be true — walk away

Times are tough, and cheap deals can be tempting. But please don't become a victim.

We also encourage anyone who owns plant machinery or high-value vehicles to take steps to secure their assets. This includes installing trackers, using security marking kits, and applying physical security measures. Guidance on approved products can be found through Secured by Design.

If you have any information about vehicle or machinery theft, please contact us on 101 or report anonymously via Crimestoppers.

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FORCE NEWS

Introducing Bobbi: Policing's First AI Virtual Assistant

Humberside Police are proud to be one of the first forces in the country to trial a pioneering new way for the public to get in touch.

On Tuesday 25 November 2025 we introduced the AI Virtual Assistant, known as Bobbi, which has been built on the Salesforce Agentforce platform and is designed to answer frequently asked, non-emergency questions that would normally come into our Force Control Rooms and get directed to a call handler.

Alongside our existing online forms, telephone lines, and front counters, Bobbi offers an additional service, giving members of the public the ability to ask questions and seek advice 24/7.

[Find out more.](#)

The Forcer Protocol

Do you know someone who has served our country who is at risk of going missing due to acute mental distress?

We understand nothing is more worrying or distressing than when a loved one, friend, or someone you know goes missing and does not return when expected.

For people living with UK veterans, serving HM Armed Forces personnel or reservists, there may be many complexities, concerns or vulnerabilities surrounding them which may mean that sadly this could be a common occurrence.

We will do all we can to help locate missing people and get them home safely as quickly as possible – particularly when they are vulnerable.

Often, UK veterans, serving HM Armed Forces personnel, and reservists may have known health conditions, triggers, and safe places they may head to when in distress, so having details of these written down in case of emergency can really help speed up the search and help you access the right support.

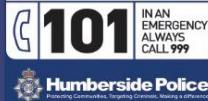
From today (Monday, 15 December 2025), Humberside Police have therefore adopted the nationwide Forcer Protocol, established in honour of Alan Forcer, a veteran who tragically took his own life. The protocol was developed to ensure that no one who has served our country is left without rapid, compassionate intervention during moments of acute mental distress.

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Neighbourhood Watch launches new strategy

As you may know, 2025 saw Neighbourhood Watch come to the end of our five-year strategy. We started work with members, staff and stakeholders to develop a new strategy which will shape our work until 2030.

After extensive collaboration and consultation, the strategy has now been published. We are very grateful to all the members, staff, volunteers and stakeholders who gave up their time to contribute to this important and inspiring work. Read the full strategy document and find out more [on our website](#).

National Crime and Community Survey

The results of the 2025 National Crime and Community Survey are in, and they reveal a nation feeling increasingly on edge. More than thirty-eight thousand respondents shared their experiences.

What emerged is that nearly 42% of respondents believe crime levels in their neighbourhood have risen in the past year, similar to the figure reported in the previous year's survey. Read the full story [on our website](#).

Funding for police announced by Home Office

The Home Office has announced that police forces across England and Wales are set to receive a funding boost of up to £798 million in the next financial year. This brings total funding up to £19.5 billion.

The majority of this funding is for local forces, with an additional £746 million allowing them to prioritise the crimes impacting their communities, including knife crime, anti-social behaviour and shop theft. Full story [here](#).

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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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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 is 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.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>

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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 survey.

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

Police Station Front Counters – Driffield - WE ARE OPEN

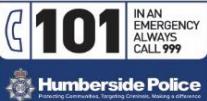
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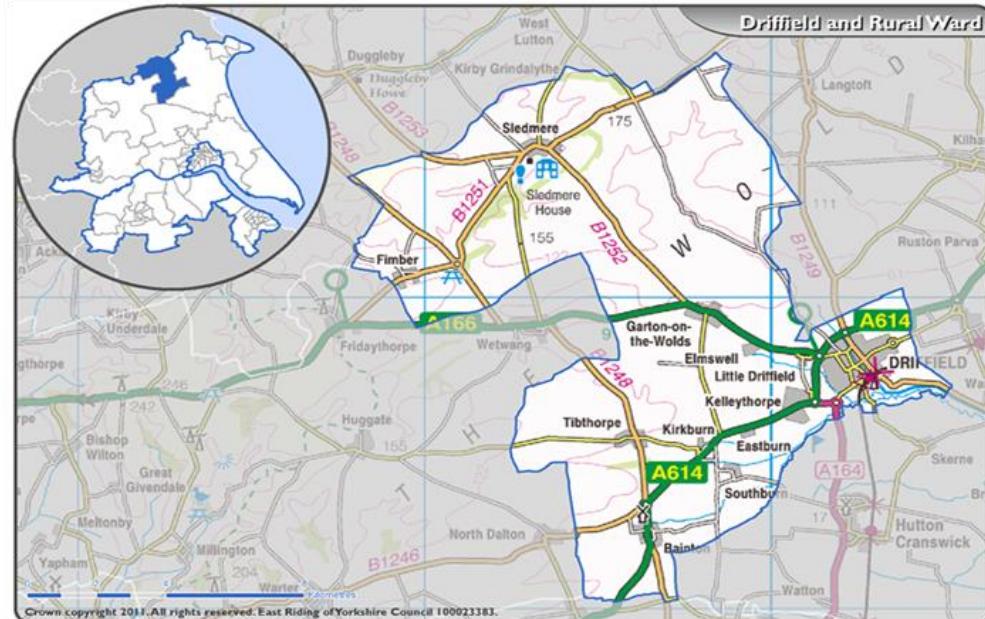
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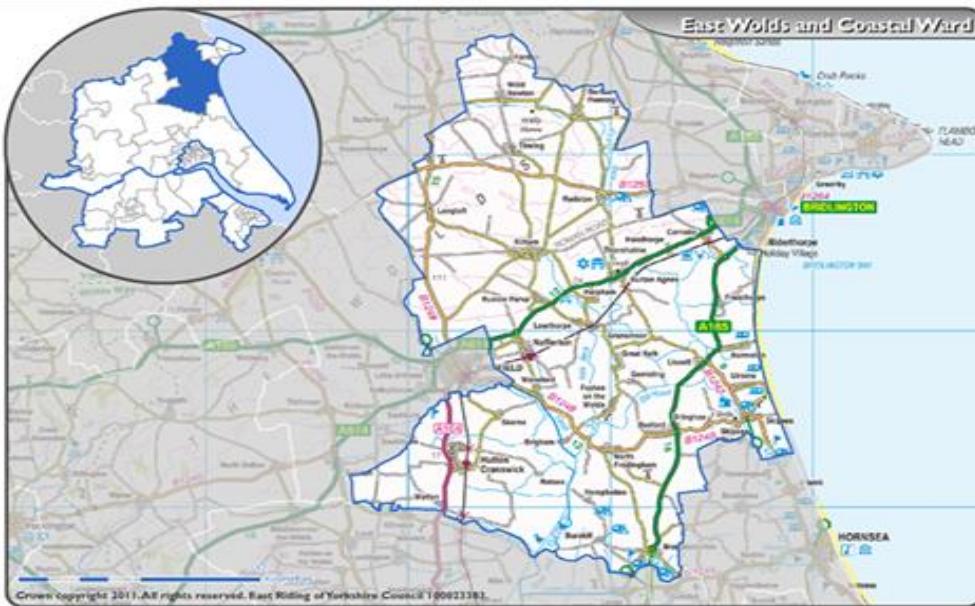


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