Parish & Town News

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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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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.

We continue to review and develop intelligence around drugs misuse and supply within Driffield and surrounding areas. We have actively targeted vehicles and carry out a number of stop searches on individuals that have produced positive results.

We continue to work with licenced premises carrying out visits and incorporating the use of pub watch and banning notices to target individuals linked to drug misuse. Use of a passive drugs dog has yielded some positive results and been welcomed by the local community.

For operational and data protection reasons we are unable to give specific details of locations / premises or persons that we are currently investigating. We have been working with other agencies to tackle individuals of concern linked to drug misuse.

We ask that you continue to report concerns around drug misuse / dealing at the time. You can report anonymously via 'CrimeStoppers' at https://crimestoppers-uk.org/

- Staff from Driffield NPT continue to attend Active Fridays to combat ASB in the town.
- Staff from Driffield NPT have conducted joint visits with partners from housing agencies.
- Staff from Driffield NPT continue to attend the town council meetings on the first Tuesday of every month.
- Staff from Driffield NPT have been conducting street surgeries to offer advice on crime prevention, fraud, safeguarding advice and ASB.
- Staff from Driffield NPT attend Nafferton Primary School every week to deliver the Mini Police programme to a class of 10 students.
- Staff from Driffield NPT hired the Crime Prevention Bus and attended two villages during the evening to give residents the opportunity to speak to their NPT staff.
- Staff from Driffield NPT attended a Careers Fair with the Rural Task Force during the previous period in order to speak to students and prospective new recruits.
- Staff from Driffield NPT attended a morning of action at Bainton in conjunction with the Rural Task Force in which a number of drivers were dealt with for traffic offences.

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The Driffield Community Team attended the Meals for Mr's at the Cass Hall in Driffield, the gents learned about Bee Keeping after their lunch, Meals for Mr's is a biweekly event contact the community team for information #Driffield #communitypolicing #Driffield_TC



Nafferton Primary School Mini Police stayed after school to issue advice to car drivers about the dangers of illegal parking around schools on Zigzags, Double yellow lines, parking on a road junction and blocking drop kerbs. #minipolice #Driffield #communitypolicing



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ENGAGEMENT

Planned Engagement Activities: (Pop-Up Surgeries, Safer Schools, Online Zoom Sessions, KIN contact, Newsletters, Social Media, Humber Talking)

What	When (dd/mm/yy)	Where (location)	Who (is attending/delivering?)
Games Group	03/06/2025 (10.00- 11.00)	Driffield Library, Cross Hill	7656
Mini Police	03/06/2025 (12.00- 15.00hrs)	Nafferton Primary School	1001, 7568 & 7656
Driffield Town Council	03/06/2025 (19.00- 20.00hrs)	Driffield Community Centre, Mill Street	1001 & 7568
Driffield ShopWatch Meeting	04/06/2025 (09.00- 10.00hrs)	Central Computer Shop, Driffield	7656
Memory Café	04/06/2025 (13.00- 14.00hrs)	Driffield Methodist Church	7656
Cuppa and a Chorus	10/06/2025 (10.00- 11.30hrs)	Driffield Library, Cross Hill	7656
Mini Police	10/06/2025 (12.00- 15.00hrs)	Nafferton Primary School	1001 & 7568
Street Surgery	13/06/2025 (10.00- 11.30hrs)	Northfield Road, Driffield	1001
Operation Swift	13/06/2025 (09.00- 12.30hrs)	Bainton Layby	7568
SOPS Meeting	13/06/2025 (13.00- 14.00hrs)	Driffield School, Manorfield Road	1001 & 7568
Mini Police	17/06/2025 (12.00- 15.00hrs)	Nafferton Primary School	7568 & 7656
Driffield Youth Action Meeting	19/06/2025 (11.00- 12.00hrs)	Driffield Youth Centre, Skerne Road, Driffield	7568
Driffield Squirrels Group Talk	25/06/2025 (17.00- 18.00hrs)	Driffield Police Station	1001 & 7568
Games Group	01/07/2025 (10.00- 11.00hrs)	Driffield Library, Cross Hill	7656
Memory Café	02/07/2025 (13.00- 14.00hrs)	Driffield Methodist Church	7656
Cuppa and a Chorus	08/07/2025 (10.00- 11.30hrs)	Driffield Library, Cross Hill	7656
Meals for Misters	09/07/2025 (11.45- 13.00hrs)	Cass Hall, King Street, Driffield	7656
Driffield Show	16/07/2025 (All Day)	Driffield Showground	1001, 2431, 7568 & 7656 Plus numerous specials, volunteers etc.

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Thefts from building sites and properties being renovated.

We are still seeing thefts taking place from building sites and properties under renovation.

We are encouraging members of the public to report anything suspicious, especially if someone is seen paying attention to certain properties or equipment on or around building sites.

The items that are being targeted include -

- Plant equipment
- Tools that are left on site.
- Diesel Fuel.
- Building supplies.

If you are offered items at a considerably reduced price, please consider that they may be stolen and contact Humberside Police to report it.

If you own, manage or work on a building site and you are concerned about security, construction site security information is available in this guide.

If you are renovating a property, ensure that you consider the following advice to reduce the risk that the property is targeted.

- Keep the exterior well lit at night using dusk to dawn lighting and warning signs.
- If you cannot remove valuables, store them in a secure place, like a safe or behind locked doors in rooms that aren't part of the remodel.
- Use property marking property-marking.pdf (securedbydesign.com)
- Ensure the area around the house is clean and free of building materials and easily accessible tools - Talk with the contractors. Learn what their policy and practices are when it comes to tools and building materials and take an active interest in how they are keeping items secure.
- If you are staying somewhere else during the construction, consider using a surveillance system to monitor the activities while you are gone.
- Be onsite, but out of the way as much as possible. Drive by the property and check up on things. Make surprise visits to the house, this will let any dishonest workers know that you could show up anytime.

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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

Rural crime has no set definition but can be very broadly classified as any crime and anti-social behaviour occurring in rural areas. It is often linked to Organised Crime Groups (OCGs) who target and exploit rural communities across a range of crime types, for example organised plant theft, livestock theft, burglaries targeting firearms, poaching and hare coursing.

The NPCC (National Police Chiefs Council) has developed a Rural Affairs Strategy which sets out police priorities in this area:

- Farm machinery, plant and vehicle theft including quad bikes, modern and vintage tractors, tools and equipment from outbuildings.
- Livestock offences including theft, worrying and attacks.
- Fuel theft including heating oil, diesel and petrol.
- Equine crime including horse trailer and horse box theft, horse theft, tack theft, fly grazing and neglect.
- Fly tipping including household and commercial waste, waste through organized criminality.
- Poaching which crosses over with the wildlife priorities including hare coursing, deer poaching, fish poaching.
- Heritage crime It is also important to recognise that rural crime and antisocial behaviour have an adverse impact on the historic environment and heritage assets found across the United Kingdom - including the theft of metal from church buildings, unlawful metal detecting and interference with historic shipwrecks.

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A 51-year-old man has been handed a twelve-month community order, issued an electronic tag, and ordered to pay over £500 in compensation following an investigation by our Rural Task Force into illegal hare coursing in Burton Agnes last year.

Bernard Jardine, 51, of Bishop Auckland, County Durham pleaded guilty at Hull Magistrates Court to hunting a wild mammal with dogs, being equipped to search for hares with dogs and trespassing with intent to search for hares with dogs. In addition to the community order, electronic tag and compensation, Jardine was also ordered to forfeit his thermal scope, locator handset and bleeper dog collar.

Jardine, in the company of his two lurchers was found trespassing on private land whilst using his dogs to course hares without permission.

Segreant Kevin Jones from Humberside Police Rural Task Force said: "Illegal hare coursing is a UK Wildlife Crime priority. "The criminality involved is serious, organised and sophisticated in their planning often involving cross border offending. Not only does it involve barbaric acts against protected wildlife species, but it causes harassment, alarm, distress and annoyance to the rural communities. "Poachers do not care about trespassing across farmland, intimidation to farmers and landowners, and the damage they cause. "I hope the outcome at court along with the seizures sends a strong message to anyone with intentions on travelling to Humberside to conduct illegal hare coursing activities. We will be ready to take positive action utilising all the available legislation.

"I would like to pass on my continued thanks to the Farm Watch Community and Humberside Fire and Rescue Drone for supporting our response to this incident - together we make the East Riding of Yorkshire a hostile place for Wildlife Crime. If you witness any suspected hare coursing in progress please contact the police on 999 quoting Operation Galileo."

#RuralTaskForce and #DriffieldRuralResponseTeam set to work today finding and recovering 3 stolen guad bikes. Great teamwork and a happy reunited owner of the machines #RuralCrime #RuralPolice Humberside Police and Crime Commissioner @NCATT UKPolice National Rural Crime Network **#OpCoastline #InYourCommunity**



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FORCE NEWS

On Monday 7 April, Humberside Police hosted the launch event for Lifestyle 2025, our longest running youth engagement project with sponsors, youth centres and colleges in attendance as it returns for another exciting year.

This initiative has been making a significant impact since 1989 and continues to empower young people across the region to undertake community projects that make a real difference in their local areas. Lifestyle 2025 aims to build on the success of previous years by encouraging even more young people to get involved. Over the past 36 years, more than 195,000 young people have participated in the programme benefitting their communities. They have learned new skills through various impactful projects, from creating community gardens and wheelchair accessible open spaces to collecting for food banks





Two charged following Kinetic Roads Crime Team stop

A man and woman have been charged after officers from our Kinetic Roads Crime Team spotted a vehicle suspected to be involved in criminality on the A614 in Howden on Sunday, 4 May.

Natalie Ayre, 32-years-old, and Kieran Collett, 30-years-old, of Driffield Road in Langtoft, have been charged with possession with intent to supply class A and class B drugs, and both were remanded into custody to appear at Hull Magistrates Court.

Upon stopping the vehicle, officers carried out a search under the Misuse of Drugs Act and an estimated £13,000 worth of what was believed to be class A and class B drugs were discovered.

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Humberside Police among top performers in 101 call handling

Following today's national 101 dataset publication (Thursday, May 29) by the NPCC, Humberside Police is proud to be recognised as one of the top-performing forces in the UK for call handling efficiency.

With strategic improvements, data-driven operations, and highly trained staff, the force has strengthened its ability to respond to both emergency and non-emergency calls swiftly and effectively.

Since April 2024, Humberside Police has significantly reduced 101 call response times, with average wait times dropping to just five seconds (median average call wait time of two seconds), placing the force among the top in the country.

The force also continues to meet and exceed key national targets:

96.2% of 999 calls answered within 10 seconds, ensuring rapid emergency response.

95.5% of 101 calls answered within 30 seconds, reinforcing accessibility and public trust.

Humberside Police's national ranking highlights its commitment to maintaining high standards and ensuring the public receives efficient and responsive service.

For urgent emergencies, when someone is in immediate danger or a crime is in progress, call 999. For non-emergency police assistance, including reporting past incidents, seeking advice, or providing information, call 101.

Humberside Police have been informed that fraudsters are sending messages to victims' phones claiming to be the victims' MUM or DAD. You will receive a text message claiming to be either your mum or dad and that this is their new mobile number. Victims have texted back asking why it came from an unknown number and received a reply to say they had deleted the old number already and saved this new number, as they thought that was the right way to save their new number. There are different variants of this scam: phone broken, abroad, in hospital and many more.

The endgame for the fraudster is financial gain, and at some point during the messages, they will ask you to pay an invoice or advise you they are unable to access their internet banking and need you to send them money or send funds to an account with new details. The scam is to obtain further details from you so they can access any accounts you have online.

You can access the full alert on the FraudWatch website here:https://www.fraudwatch.org.uk/2025/05/27/trigger-fraud-alert-26/,

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General Information & Crime Prevention



Sexual Extortion

Nationally, we are seeing a rise in Financially Motivated Sexual Extortion also known as 'Sextortion.'

This is where the victim is tricked into sending a nude image/video of themselves to the suspect. The suspect will then threaten to distribute this to the victim's friends and family through social media unless the victim gives them a sum of money or gift cards.

The National Crime Agency has prepared the attached guide which is specific to 13-17 year olds and is advice for parents. There is some links on the attachment with advice for adults who fall victim to this.

Should you fall victim to this, please contact us on 101 and do not send the suspect any money or gift cards.

Distracted driving takes one second to take a life

Being behind the wheel in today's fast paced world means more potential distractions than ever, from in car entertainment systems and mobile phones to conversations, food, or even your own thoughts. But when you're driving, even a split second of lost focus can cause serious injury or cost lives and if not your own, then someone else's.

Last year, distracted driving accounted for 8% of fatal collisions in our force area. As such, officers from our Roads Policing teams see it all too often, collisions that began with something as simple as a split-second distraction.

By incorporating the following small steps into your routine, you can save lives:

- Set your destination as well your choice of listening i.e. playlist, podcast, or radio before you set off.
- Switch your phone to 'Do Not Disturb' while driving.
- · Pull over safely if you need to make a call.
- · Recognise when you're not in the right frame of mind to drive and wait.

Driving safely is about respect for the vehicle, the road, and everyone around you. It takes one second to lose your license, one second to ruin your life, one second to take a life.

Join Community Speedwatch

To become part of CSW, please go to <u>CSW Online</u> to register and for more information. CSW Online works on behalf of the police and communities to organise and coordinate CSW activity.

Volunteers receive training, and neighbourhood policing team staff will support them.

Humberside also has its own Community Speedwatch. If you are interested in setting up a group, contact the **Humberside Scheme Coordinator**















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Most offences that involve a vehicle being broken into are normally committed by opportunist thieves who will walk the streets looking for items that have been left in the vehicle.

This could include money being left in the centre console of a car or a van being broken into by offenders who are expecting to find tools inside.

In both cases, the owner must then deal with the damage that has been caused by the offender, and those repairs often cost more than any items that were taken.

So, what can you do to reduce the risk of your vehicle being targeted? Below are some tips to consider to make your vehicle less attractive to a thief.

- · Keep the vehicle locked at all times and ensure you double lock it.
- Make sure that your vehicle alarm is set.
- Do not leave any valuables or "interesting" items on display.
- Don't leave tools in a van overnight.
- Consider using 'No tools are left in this vehicle overnight' stickers.
- If possible, park your vehicle in a garage or out of site, if that isn't possible, park on a drive or as close to your home as you can.
- Consider fitting motion activated CCTV that will alert you to movement near your vehicle.
- When away from home, park in a busy, well overlooked area. If the car will be there after dark, try to find somewhere that is illuminated.

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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

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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/socialmedia-survey-2023/

Police Station Front Counters - Driffield - WE ARE OPEN

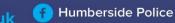
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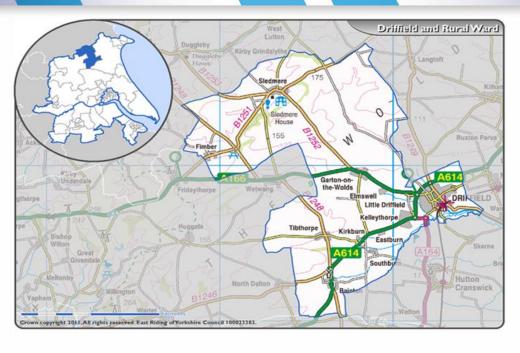




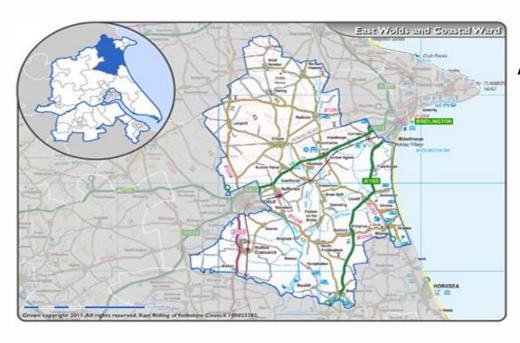








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