Parish & Town News
SEPTEMBER 2025

Driffield/ Rural/East Wolds & Coastal Wards

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Driffield Police Station Front Counter
OPEN
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 9am-5pm
(Closed 1pm-2pm).

DAVE HINES 8292

FRONT COUNTER

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

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Driffield Community Team

Engagement Activities:

What	When *(dd/mm/yy)*	Where *(location)*	Who *(is attending/delivering?)*
Driffield Craft Group	01/09/2025 (10.00-11.30hrs)	Cass Hall, King Street, Driffield	7656
Driffield Games Group	02/09/2025 (10.00-11.30hrs)	Driffield Library, Cross Hill	7656
Meals for Misters	03/09/2025 (11.45-13.00hrs)	Cass Hall, King Street, Driffield	7656
Memory Café	03/09/2025 (13.00-14.00hrs)	Driffield Methodist Church	7656
Active Fridays	05/09/2025 (19.00-20.00hrs)	Driffield Leisure Centre	2431
Cuppa and a Chorus	09/09/2025 (10.00-11.30)	Driffield Library, Cross Hill	7656
Active Fridays	11/09/2025 (19.00-20.00hrs)	Driffield Leisure Centre	7568
Brandesburton Parish Council	15/09/2025 (19.00-20.00hrs)	Brandesburton Community Centre	1001 & 7568
Meals for Misters	17/09/2025 (11.45-13.00hrs)	Cass Hall, King Street, Driffield	7656
Cuppa and a Chorus	23/09/2025 (10.00-11.30hrs)	Driffield Library, Cross Hill	7656
Active Fridays	26/09/2025 (19.00-20.00hrs)	Driffield Leisure Centre	2431 & 7656

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Could this be BBQ weather?

With the sunshine making a welcome return (we won't jinx the forecast!) and the summer holidays in full swing, it's the perfect excuse to fire up the grill or head out for a picnic. But while we're soaking up the sun, let's also do our bit to keep our communities and countryside safe from fire.

Help us prevent fires and protect our green spaces:

🗑️ Put litter in a bin or take it home

🚭 Make sure cigarettes are fully extinguished

🔥 No campfires or BBQs (including disposable ones) in open spaces – they can easily spark fires and harm wildlife

If you see a fire:

📍 Use the *what3words* app to pinpoint your location

🚫 Don't try to tackle it yourself – stay at a safe distance

📞 Call 999 straightaway

If you see anyone starting fires deliberately, you can report it anonymously to Firestoppers:
📞 0800 169 5558
💻 www.firestoppersreport.co.uk

Planning a BBQ at home?

Here are some top tips to enjoy the heat without the hazards:

✅ Never leave your BBQ unattended
✅ Set it up on a flat surface, away from sheds, trees and shrubs
✅ Keep children, pets and games well clear
✅ Have a bucket of water or sand nearby – just in case
✅ Let it cool completely before moving or disposing of it

Heading out to the countryside?

Please leave the BBQ at home. Disposable BBQs can cause grass fires, are often left behind as litter and pose a real risk to wildlife.

Let's enjoy the summer safely and protect the places we love.

Thanks for helping us keep our communities safe!

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Three men have been arrested following a series of warrants executed under the Police and Criminal Evidence Act, by officers from our Organised Crime Group and Kinetic Intervention teams at properties in Driffield this morning (Wednesday, 6 August).

Upon entering the addresses, officers discovered and seized quantities of class A drugs, cash and paraphernalia.

An 18-year-old man was arrested at an address on Middle Street South on suspicion of being concerned in the supply of class A drugs, possession of criminal property, and possession of a class B drug.

An 18-year-old man was arrested at an address on St Margarets Close on suspicion of being concerned in the supply of class A drugs.

A 35-year-old man was arrested at an address on The Close on suspicion of possession with intent to supply class A drugs.

All three men remain in police custody while enquiries continue.

We remain committed to tackling drug-related crime and disrupting criminal networks operating in our communities. If you have any information about drugs or other criminal activity in your area, please speak to our officers when you see them out and about. You can also contact us via our non-emergency number 101, or call 999 in an emergency.

Alternatively, if you prefer to remain anonymous, you can report information via the independent charity Crimestoppers by calling 0800 555 111.

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This afternoon, officers from Driffield Neighbourhood Policing Team (NPT) supported pupils from North Frodingham Primary School with their Lifestyle Challenge project.

As part of their initiative, the children have chosen to focus on improving road safety by encouraging drivers to reduce their speed through the village.

To raise awareness, a speed monitoring board was positioned at various points around the community. Motorists exceeding the speed limit were stopped by officers and engaged in conversations with both the police and the pupils.

During these interactions, drivers were asked to reflect on the potential consequences of speeding, including how they would feel if their actions caused harm to a child. This personal approach aimed to encourage drivers to consider their responsibilities and the impact of their behaviour on others.

The event not only supported the pupils' project but also highlighted the importance of community and police working together to promote safer roads

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Yesterday, officers carried out high-visibility patrols in #Driffield, supported by Simba, a passive drugs detection dog.

As part of the operation, we visited local establishments and several parks in response to community intelligence regarding suspected drug use and supply.

Thanks to Simba's excellent detection skills, officers were able to identify and act on a number of positive findings.

This information will now enable the Neighbourhood Policing Team to build a clearer picture of those involved in drug supply in Driffield and take action to bring offenders to justice.

Drug suppliers and users are not welcome in our community, and we remain committed to tackling this issue. We would like to thank members of the public for their ongoing support and for sharing intelligence with us.

#OpCoastline #SaferStreetsSummer

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Cycle Security with the Bike Register scheme at Driffield Police station until 3 o'clock this afternoon (31st) limited hi visibility items and lights available.
#Bikeregister #communitypolicing
#SaferStreetsSummer

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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

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Humberside Police launch Community Safety Mounted Volunteers to Tackle Rural Crime

We are proud to announce the launch of our new Community Safety Mounted Volunteers (CSMV), a dedicated team of horse-riding volunteers. These volunteers will work in partnership with our Rural Task Force and Roads Policing officers to strengthen police visibility, promote community engagement and enhance safety in rural areas across the force.

The Humberside Police area offers many unique challenges to policing especially within the East Riding of Yorkshire, containing vast areas of countryside that cannot easily be patrolled by car but are too large-an-area to cover on foot.

The CSMV team currently comprise of 10 trained riders, with the focus to patrol hard-to-reach areas by covering rural routes around the East Riding that may not be seen as often by patrolling officers. Their aims are to deter crime and report incidents of rural and wildlife crime, antisocial behaviour and fly tipping.

Using their regular riding routes, volunteers act as the eyes and ears of the police, offering a vital link between law enforcement and the rural community. Their elevated vantage point and ability to cover large distances make them an invaluable asset in identifying suspicious activity and promoting community safety.

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#RuralTaskForce Another night of partnership patrols with #FarmWatch across the wolds to disrupt & deter night poaching & #RuralCrime. Collaborative working at its best listening to the voice of the countryside. #OpGalileo #OpAntler @ukwildlifecrime @HumbersidePCC @PoachingTDG Humberside Police and Crime Commissioner National Rural Crime Network #InYourCommunity #SaferStreetsSummer #WildlifeCrime #PartnershipWorking #VoiceofCountryside

Read more.

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Theft of Chickens

Police received a report on 23rd August 2025 of theft of chickens from allotments in Hutton Cranswick, East Riding of Yorkshire.
Police commenced an investigation in relation to the theft of approx 85 - 150 chickens stolen from an allotment. Between 2000 hrs on Friday 22nd August 2025 and the morning of Saturday 23rd August 2025, Person or persons unknown have approached the allotment from fields behind the allotment, and then approached pens inside the allotment and stolen chickens from within the allotment and from two small sheds that were also broken into causing damage. Three bags of seed were also stolen from the shed. The offenders have then made off across the field.

The Suspect vehicle is believed to be a Landrover Freelander 2 post 2009 model. VRM unknown. Male suspect is described as late 40's, white , skinhead, heavy build, no facial hair - he was driving a land rover freelander 2 in dark blue. No trailer.
A list of the stolen chickens are as follows -
Large Fowl;
Jersey Giants - 2 Black male, 2 Blue male, 4 Blue hens, 3 Black hens. (£50 per bird). £550
Ayam Cemani - 2 Male, 1 Female (one Male likely worth £100 other £30, female £50). £170
Cream Legbar - 1 Male, approx. 6-8 females (male £20, females £35). £300
Leghorn - Isabella male, Exchequer male, 2 Isabella female, 1 lavender female, 1 black female, 2 yellow females, 4 exchequer females (males £20, females £40). £420
Copper Black Marans - 1 male, 4 hens (male £20, female £40). £180
Silver Duckwing Welsummer - 1 hen (£35)
Poland - 1 white crested black female (£50)
Approx. 4-6 cross breed hens (£20) £120
Bantams;
Polands - 3 smooth chamois males (£40) 4 frizzle chamois females (£60). 2 smooth silver laced poland males (£40). 1 frizzle silver laced male (£40). 1 smooth silver laced female (£60). 1 frizzle silver laced female (£60) £600
Sebrights - 1 male, 2 females (male £30, female £40) £110
Belgians - 2 female silver quail d'anvers (£30), 1 female silver quail grubbe (£30) £90
Silver legbar - 2 male, 1 female (injured female, not likely worth much. Male £10) £20
Wyandotte - 1 Colombian male (£20), 1 Colombian female (£40). 1 buff laced female (missing an eye, monetarily not worth much). £60
Norfolk grey - 2 males (£20)
Rhode island red - 1 male (£20)

So approximately £2745 worth of birds and £70 worth of feed. Around £100 worth of damage in total.

Following this on Monday 25th August 2025 between 1615 hrs and 1940 hrs around 16 chickens were located dumped in a lay- by close to Dowthorpe Hall, Skirlaugh. 6 were dead and 11 alive.

Police are appealing for any witnesses to the theft and the subsequent potential sightings of the vehicle involved in the theft and dumping of the stolen chickens. Police are also appealing for anyone that has any CCTV, ring doorbell footage or dashcam footage that may assist Police with their enquiries to get in touch on 101. The vehicle may be missing a nearside lower door trim that it left at the crime scene.

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Crime Prevention

I wanted to provide you with an update regarding House burglary, which people around your area have highlighted as an issue of concern on the priority survey.

A burglary occurred recently on Bempton Drive, Bridlington. Please be vigilant.

Although you may not live in this area please be advised that most burglars are not master criminals - they are opportunists. In nearly a third of all burglaries the residents had left a window or door open when they went out. With the hot weather we are currently enjoying - please remember and close your windows.

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.

As you have not contributed to the priority survey recently, we may be unaware of issues that you would like us to focus on. Please take a few minutes to securely and privately have your say using the button below, this will mean we can focus on things that matter to you.

Summer Holidays and Social Media

Although we are getting towards the end of the summer holidays, there are still plenty of people going on holiday.

I often see people posting on social media that they are going on holiday with comments such as “See you in 2 weeks” and a picture at the airport.

Before posting this type of thing, please consider that you are in effect informing people that your house is likely to be empty for that period.

Once people start liking and commenting on the post, their friends or followers may then see that you are on holiday as well, which could be an alarmingly large number of people, and could then include someone who would like to pay your house a visit whilst you aren't there.

Insurance companies do also check social media if it is relevant to a claim, so if whilst on holiday your house gets broken into, and you claim off your insurance, they will likely check your social media for anything to suggest you advertised that your home was empty and ultimately may not pay out on the claim.

It is understandable that you may wish to show people that you have had a good time, but please consider waiting until you return from your holiday before doing so.

Feel free to share this message, or post on social media. Further crime prevention advice is available on the Secured by Design website.

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What is Secured by Design and how can it assist you.

I have added a link to the Secured by Design website where crime prevention advice can be obtained.

Just to explain what Secured by Design is, and what information the website contains that could assist you. Secured by Design is the official police security initiative that works to improve the security of buildings and their immediate surroundings to provide safe places to live, work, shop, and visit.

On the website you can find products that are Police approved, this means that they have been put through additional testing to ensure they are manufactured to a high standard, and they can deter and reduce crime. There is a search section that allows you to identify a product, you will then be given a list of companies that manufacture these products, with links to their websites. This can be located here.

You can also search member companies using a search facility, once selected you will see a list of the approved products that company produces. This can be located here.

There is an area where design guides can be viewed for a variety of buildings, showing suggested security for different areas of the buildings. This can be located here.

Crime Prevention advice is also available on the website and can be located here.

If you are looking for Crime Prevention advice, thinking about renovating your property or upgrading your security products, please have a look, hopefully you will find the information or products you require.

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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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OPERATION COAST LINE

Operation Coastline is an initiative aimed to target antisocial behaviour and criminality in coastal areas and market towns across Humberside, whilst this operation involves many teams all around the force, today we are shining a light on the hard work by our Roads Policing Unit.

Over the weekend officers from our Roads Policing team worked around the clock conducting intensified patrols in coastal areas, alongside roadside checks and proactively stopping vehicles linked to antisocial use of motor vehicles.

Neighbourhood Police Inspector Pete Musgrave said “We have seen an increase in reports of antisocial use of the roads and understand that this is a pressing issue for the community.

“To tackle this issue our roads policing team have been out taking positive action and engaging with drivers, they have already seen promising results that are making a real difference to our local communities”

In just 48 hours Roads Policing officers issued 18 notices of intended prosecution for driving without due care and attention, completed six traffic offence reports and handed out four Section 59 warnings for antisocial vehicle use.

This is just one of the many preplanned operations that our Roads Policing Unit participate in in a bid to keep the public safer on the roads of East Yorkshire, North Lincolnshire and North East Lincolnshire.

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HERBERT PROTOCOL

If someone you care for—especially someone living with dementia or memory loss—were to go missing, would you be ready to help the police act fast?
The Herbert Protocol is a national safeguarding initiative that helps police locate vulnerable missing persons more quickly. It involves filling out a form with key details such as:

- A recent photo
- Medical conditions
- Places of significance
- Daily routines
- Contact information

Filing the form takes around **20 minutes to complete**—about the same time as:

- Making a cup of tea and watching the news
- A short walk around the block
- Catching up on emails or scrolling social media

This small investment of time could make a life-saving difference.

If a person goes missing, the completed form can be handed to police immediately, helping them act faster and more effectively. The Herbert Protocol has already helped reunite families and save lives.

For more information on The Herbert Protocol
www.herbertprotocol.com
The Herbert Protocol - a short video by Suffolk Constabulary
Download the form from Humberside Police: Herbert Protocol Form (PDF)

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Chimney Fire Safety Week 2025

While there may still be warm days ahead, now is the ideal time to start preparing your chimney before colder weather sets in. Chimney Fire Safety Week 2025 serves as a timely reminder to protect your home by making sure your chimney is clean, safe and ready for use.

Why do chimney fires happen?

Chimney fires are usually caused by high temperatures or flames from a hot fire igniting built-up soot or creosote inside the flue. These deposits are highly flammable and can lead to serious damage if left unchecked.

Why chimney sweeping is essential

Regular sweeping removes soot, creosote, bird nests, cobwebs and other blockages that can obstruct airflow or catch fire. It also helps maintain appliance efficiency and prevents dangerous fumes from entering your home.

What you should do:

- Have your chimney swept regularly by a certified professional
- Clear bird nests and overgrown plants around the chimney externally
- Keep chimneys and flues well-maintained and inspected
- Use a fire guard with open fires
- Fully extinguish fires before leaving the house or going to bed
- Only burn good quality fuel
- Ensure vents and air bricks are not blocked

How often should you sweep your chimney?

This depends on the type of fuel you use:

- Smokeless fuels: at least once a year
- Bituminous coal: at least twice a year
- Wood: quarterly when in use
- Oil: once a year
- Gas: once a year (only by a Gas Safe registered engineer)

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Homeowners and renters:

If you use a chimney or flue, it's your responsibility to make sure it is properly maintained. Your home insurance may specify required sweeping frequency, especially for thatched or heritage properties.

Landlords:

You have a legal duty to maintain room heaters and water heating systems, including chimneys and flues, for your tenants.

After a chimney fire

If a chimney fire occurs, have a certified sweep inspect the chimney before using it again. Structural damage or flue instability may not be immediately visible.

Find a qualified chimney sweep

Search the following trusted organisations for a certified local professional:

National Association of Chimney Sweeps: www.nacs.org.uk

HETAS (Heating Equipment Testing and Approval Scheme): www.hetas.co.uk

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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 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/social-media-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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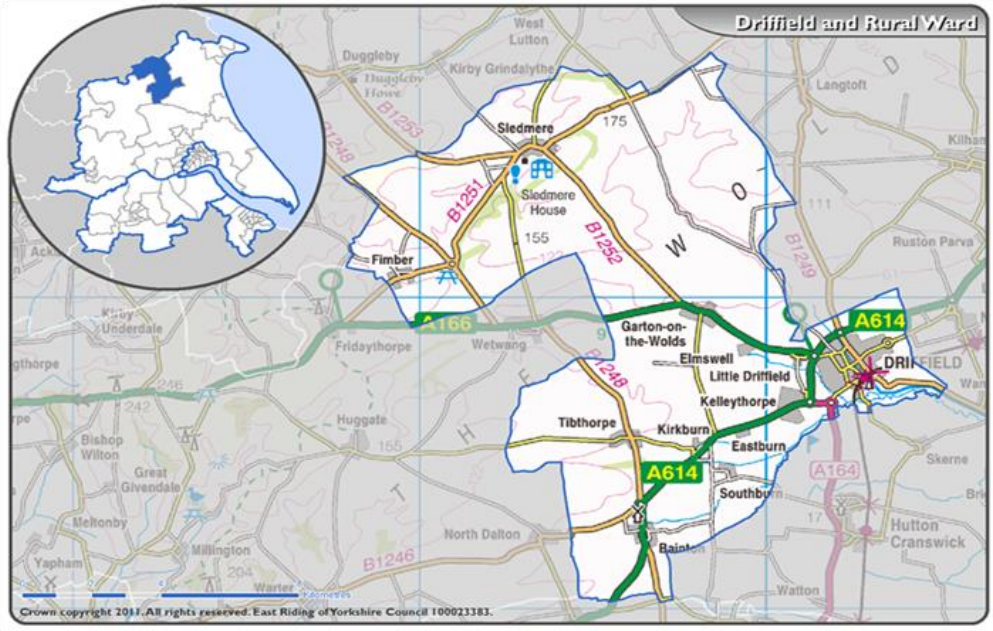

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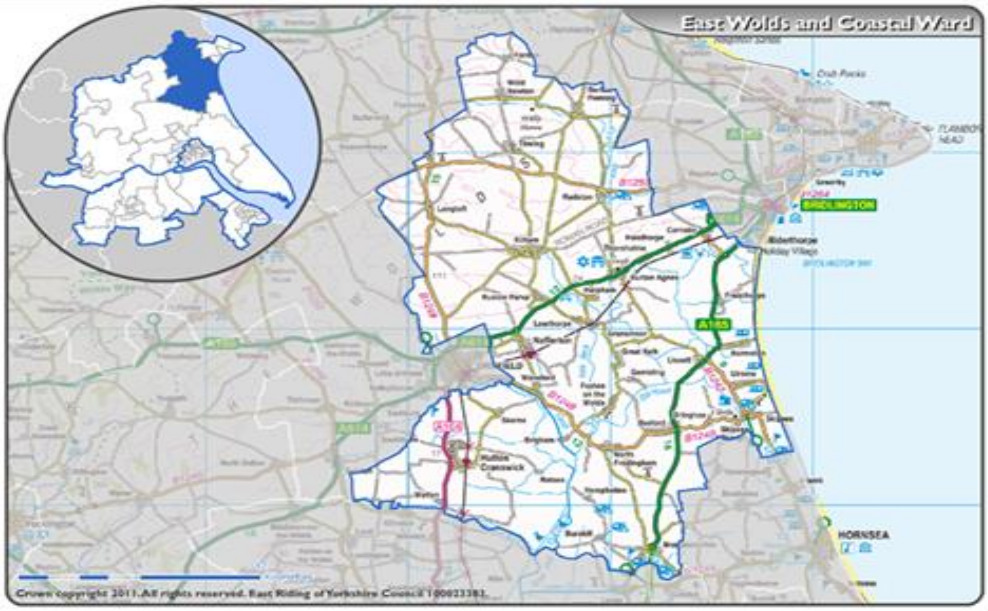

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Local agencies working in this area will not tolerate anyone committing crime, causing anti-social behaviour or being responsible for environmental crime (littering, graffiti, etc) in your neighbourhood and neither should you!

WHEN IT'S LESS URGENT THAN 999 101 IN AN EMERGENCY ALWAYS CALL 999

Humberside Police

CRIMESTOPPERS 0800 555 111 Call anonymously with information about crime

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