

North Holderness Update - November 2025 issue

Meet Your Team



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https://crimestoppers-uk.org/

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1. What's Happening In Your Area

Drugs – Ongoing core priority - Intelligence – We continue to review and act on drugs intelligence. 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 **report any concerns** around drugs misuse that you have. You may have information that adds to an ongoing concern, and this can really help when we apply for Warrants. You can speak to us at Hornsea Police Station in confidence or alternatively report anonymously via 'CrimeStoppers' at https://crimestoppers-uk.org/

One vehicle has been seized, and a Misuse of Drugs Act warrant has been executed. A further arrest has been made for drug driving and other driving offences. Another suspect was arrested for possession of a controlled drug with intent to supply which is still under investigation.

Local Residential Homes – Ongoing Liaison

Hornsea officers continue with weekly drop-in sessions to several of our care establishments within the town. A proportion of reported crimes relate to individuals who may be suffering a mental health episode. It is our intention to reduce incidents of reported missing persons and potential offending by engaging with staff and residents at the earliest opportunity.

Over the past few months there has been a decrease in recorded crime at three of our residential establishments

ASB - Halloween and Bonfire Night

Operation Topaz is a seasonal initiative focused on preventing and tackling antisocial behaviour, particularly around Halloween and Bonfire Night. It forms part of a broader strategy to enhance public safety during high-risk periods and transitions into Operation Yuletide as the festive season approaches.

We will be increasing patrols in the town centre and other locations linked to ASB.

Our ongoing work with local schools continues to address the issue of ASB and the impact it has on communities.

HumberTalking

Humber Talking is still being undertaken in the North Holderness 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.

Please be aware that we are also working on priorities that we are unable to discuss in a public forum for operational reasons.

2. Meet your officers

Police Station Front Counters - Hornsea - WE ARE OPEN

Our normal opening hours are Monday to Friday 9am-5pm (Closed 1-2pm). Saturday 9am-4pm (Closed 1-2pm). We can be temporarily closed due to training and leave so if you are travelling any distance to see us, please call us on 101 to check that we are open. Just ask for 'Hornsea front counter'.

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 North Holderness 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 us 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.

Banking Hub Surgeries - Forthcoming dates

Officers continue to arrange monthly scam and fraud awareness events at the Hornsea Banking Hub, Newbegin. We look forward to meeting you to discuss any local issues you may have and give advice on the current scams and frauds circulating.

The next event is on **Wednesday 19th November 2025** between 10am and midday.



Hornsea Library and Customer Services - Cuppa and Chorus

P Hornsea Library and Customer Services, Broadway Hornsea

Every Friday, Mid-day

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. Crimes of note

Detailed crime and ASB data for your area can be obtained by visiting www.police.uk and entering your postcode into the 'What's happening in your area?' section.

During October 2025 we received two reports of vehicle crime.

On the 19th a Red Aprilla Motorcycle was stolen from Hartley Street and later found on Clifton Street. Damage was found on the ignition. Crime number 25*146199 refers

On the 26th we received a report of damage being caused to the nearside rear window of a vehicle parked on a driveway on Trinity Road. Crime number 25*149484 refers.

Other crimes of note include:

On the 4th a Male was arrested on Loten Drive, Hornsea following a disturbance where a knife was brandished. The same male was charged with two offences and placed before the next available court. The case remains ongoing. Crime number 25*139183 refers.

A Residential burglary was reported on the 6th at Hyde Green, Hornsea. An unknown person attempted to force a door however no entry was gained. Crime number 25*139765 refers.

On the 9th damage was caused to grass in the vicinity of the Hornsea Outdoor Bowls Club on Victoria Avenue. Footage of the suspects riding motorcycles and wearing balaclavas has been viewed however at this time no identification has been made. Crime number 25*144098 refers

On the 18th a male suspect was ejected from a public house on Market Place during which damage was caused, and persons were assaulted. An arrest has been made, and enquiries are ongoing. Crime number 25*146217 refers.



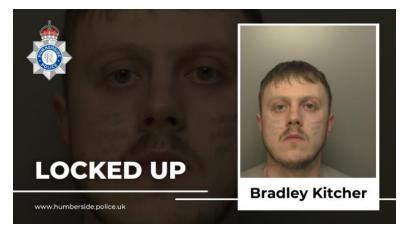
We have been made aware of some Anti-Social Behaviour in the cemetery at the top of Marlborough Avenue. This is believed to be youth related. Please can you report any issues at the time via the usual channels.

If you have **any information on any of these crimes**, please call us on 101 or call in at Hornsea Police Station to discuss. You can also call Crimestoppers if you would like to supply information anonymously.

4. General information and Appeals

15/10/2025 - A man who entered another man's home, assaulted and blackmailed him whilst making threats to his family members has been jailed for four years and ten months following his appearance at Hull Crown Court yesterday (Wednesday, 15 October 2025).

Bradley Kitcher, 24-years-old, of Cliffe Road in Hornsea was sentenced at Hull Crown Court after pleading guilty to blackmail on Monday, 13 October 2025.



On the morning of Thursday, 20 March 2025 Kitcher entered the home of the victim as he slept before waking him up by kneeling on him and repeatedly punching him.

He continued to assault the suspect and cause damage to items in his home before threatening to kill him and his family. He also threatened to tie them all up if he did not follow his instructions.

Kitcher then led the victim with force to his home address before instructing him to go inside as he said people were waiting to stab him in the property. The victim refused and an altercation took place between them both before the victim was able to flee into a local shop and discreetly call the police.

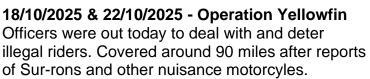
Kitcher remained outside the premises, smashing the victim's phone up before he was made aware police were on the way and fled the scene.

A short while later police attended a property on Cliff Road in Hornsea and Kitcher was subsequently arrested.



16/10/2025 – Your local policing team and Ambulance teamed up for 'Restart A Heart Day' to help teach vital CPR skills to over 240 students and staff at Hornsea School and Language College. Knowing what to do can save a life.





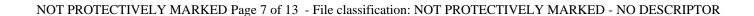
Hornsea, Swine, Preston, Welwick, Spurn Point and just about everywhere in between. Did you see us?



The week of action consisted of crime prevention visits with the #FarmWatch community forensically marking agricultural vehicles with #SelectaDNA and #Datatag products, partnership disruption visits to local scrap yards with #EnvironmentAgency, and proactive partnership work to identify stolen vehicles from Humberside & those awaiting exportation out of the country with #BorderForce #NCATT #Datatag
The results -

- 1 x Stolen Mini Digger recovered
- 2 x Stolen Vans recovered







- 25 x Agricultural Property Forensically Marked
- Crime Prevention Engagement with the community

28/10/2025 - Kinetic Organised Crime Group Team - Six charged

Although the below named are not directly linked to your area we would like to share the below information.

These operations impact directly on all of our communities in the Humberside Police area where the supply of drugs are disrupted and those responsible arrested and charged.

This operation was intelligence led and we ask the public to continue to supply information they may have on the supply of drugs.

Six people have been charged with drugs offences following a series of intelligence-led warrants at addresses in Hull, Wawne, Hessle, Doncaster, Middlesborough, and Rugby, as part of a pre-planned operation from our Kinetic Organised Crime Group Team on Wednesday, 22 October 2025.

Armir Metaj, 30-years-old, of Roscoe Street in Middlesborough, has been charged with conspiracy to supply class A and class B drugs.

Gazmir Hameti, 45-years-old, of Richmond Road in Hessle, has been charged with conspiracy to supply class A, and class B drugs, and possession with intent to supply class A, and class B drugs.

Endri Arifaj, 34-years-old, of no fixed abode, has been charged with conspiracy to supply class A, and class B drugs, and possession with intent to supply class A, and class B drugs.

They each appeared at Hull Magistrates Court on Friday, 24 October 2025 where they were remanded into custody until their next appearance at Hull Crown Court on Wednesday, 26 November 2025.

Klodjan Plaku, 44-years-old, and Manuela Metaj, 33-years-old, of Begonia Way in Rugby, have both been charged with conspiracy to supply class A, and class B drugs, and possession of criminal property. They both appeared at Hull Magistrates Court on Friday, 24 October 2025 where they were released on conditional bail until their next appearance at Hull Crown Court on Wednesday, 26 November 2025.

Patryk Gilwanowski, 33-years-old, of Wordsworth Street in Hull, has also been charged with conspiracy to supply class B drugs, and possession with intent to supply class B drugs. He appeared at Hull Magistrates Court on Saturday, 25 October 2025 where he was remanded into custody until his next appearance at Hull Crown Court on Wednesday, 26 November 2025.

Two men and a woman were also arrested as part of the operation and have since been released on bail pending further enquiries.



It is reported as a result of the operation, officers are alleged to have discovered and seized an estimated £24,640 worth of class A drugs, £48,000 worth of class B drugs, as well as approximately £145,000 in cash and devices believed to be involved in criminality.

The operation was supported colleagues from British Transport Police, Regional Organised Crime Unit, North East Regional Organised Crime Unit, and Warwickshire Police.

Operation Sceptre November 17th to 23rd

Operation Sceptre is a national police initiative focused on tackling knife crime. It involves a week of intensified action to remove knives from communities and educate the public, particularly young people, about the dangers of knife crime. Op Sceptre also emphasizes early intervention and looking "further upstream" to address the root causes of knife crime.

As part of Op Sceptre there will be knife amnesty bins at Bridlington, Beverley or Clough road Police

stations, If you have any old or unwanted knives which you would like to have disposed of please come to any of these Police stations and hand them in at the front counter.

The Hornsea communities team will also be calling in at the local schools regarding Op Sceptre and will provide the schools with power points to show the pupils which highlight the impact of carrying a knife.

31/10/2025 – Hornsea NPT are out on high visibility patrol in Hornsea this evening, we hope you all have a fun and safe Halloween.



5. Scams / Crime Prevention / Public Safety.

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Operation Dark Night

Starting from today, Monday, 27 October, officers from our Roads Policing Unit will be joining forces across the country as part of the National Police Chief's Council (NPCC) Campaign, 'Operation Dark Night', which this year focuses on the risks to pedestrians, cyclists and horse riders.

Over the next two weeks (Monday, 27 October – Sunday, 9 November) officers will be educating road users on driving with caution around vulnerable road users. As well as working with pedestrians, cyclists, and horse riders to encourage the use of high visibility reflective clothing and handing out bike lights to cyclists as they face higher risks during low-light conditions. Alongside this, officers will be conducting roadside vision screening and sharing important information about how motorists can keep their vision clear in all light conditions.

On average, 8 pedestrians die every week and 106 seriously injured. Now British Summer Time has ended, and the nights begin to draw in, more motorists will find themselves on the road after dark increasing this risk further.

Scams - Type don't Tap

Out there in the wonderful, webbed world, there are millions of links flying around. So, that link you got in a text, email or DM? Type don't tap. Visit trusted sites by going old-school and typing their web address directly into your browser.

Stop, don't click that link! We know it feels weird – like something from another time – but checking the web address is legit can help keep your details safe. It'll only take a minute.

- Avoid clicking on links in emails, messages or on social media – you never know where it could take you. The site might be run by a criminal, set up to capture your details.
- Type don't tap go old school and type the web address in full and only use trusted sites.



- Protect your one-time passcodes. Treat them as carefully as you would your PIN. Read any messages in full to check what you're approving.
- Turn on your bank alerts and check your accounts regularly. If you see spending you don't recognise, contact your bank immediately.

https://www.takefive-stopfraud.org.uk/



Pension Fraud

Savers and those reaching retirement age are being warned to protect their pensions and look out for criminals trying to catch people out of their life savings, with Action Fraud revealing a total annual

loss of £17,567,249. This equates to roughly £48,129 lost to this type of fraud per day in 2024.

Data reveals there were 519 reports of pension fraud in total and £17,567,249 lost in 2024, with an average loss of £33,848 per person.

Reporting analysis suggests the two most prevalent ways criminals targeted victims were investment fraud pressuring tactics, and









Find out more actionfraud.police.uk/pensionfraud

account takeovers of a victim's pension scheme by impersonating them.

Action Fraud, with support from the Pension Scams Action Group (PSAG), launched a pension fraud awareness campaign, warning people to take extra measures to protect their pension scheme accounts and to be cautious of investment opportunity offers from criminals that could be targeting them.

How can you protect yourself against Pension fraud?

Secure your online pension account: the account you use to manage your pension should have a different password to all of your other accounts. Use three random words to create a strong and memorable password, and enable 2-step verification (2SV).

Ignore unsolicited calls about your pension: cold calling about pensions is illegal and likely a sign of a scam. If you're thinking about changing your pension arrangements, you should get financial guidance or advice beforehand.

Investment opportunities: don't be rushed into making an investment. Remember, legitimate organisations will never pressure you into investing on the spot.

You should treat investment opportunities with extreme caution if there's:

- pressure to invest (for example: time-limited offers)
- downplayed risk of losing your money
- promised returns that sound too good to be true

Remember to Stop! Think Fraud and find more information on how to protect yourself from fraud here: Stop! Think Fraud - How to stay safe from scams



What can you do if you have been a victim of pension fraud?

Report pension scams: if you're worried about a potential pension scam or you think you may have been contacted by a criminal, report it to Action Fraud at actionfraud.police.uk or by calling 0300 123 2040.

If you have made a payment: inform your bank or pension provider as soon as possible, they can help you prevent any further losses. Monitor your bank and pension statements regularly for any unusual activity.

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

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 NORTH HOLDERNESS TEAM

