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### HM REVENUE - TAX and **BENEFITS ADVICE**

#### **Contact Details:**

Telephone number **0845 3000627** (an appointment can be requested from this number if necessary). Enquiry Centre opening times 10am-4pm Wednesday and Thursday. This EC is linked to Scarborough EC which is open 9.30am-4.30pm Tuesday and Friday, Bridlington EC address is: Crown Buildings, Ouay Road, Bridlington YO16 4LX. Scarborough EC address is: Albion House, Northway, Scarborough, YO12 6AN (Same Contact Centre number as Bridlington EC) Website: WWW.hmrc.gov.uk

### Are you on the East Riding Council **Housing Waiting List?**

The Hinge Centre work with young people aged 19-25 who are looking for accommodation in the private rented sector and who live on a low wage or are in receipt of benefits. We offer tenants and landlords a range of support services and financial insurances in order to create sustainable tenancies.

#### Contact

Scarlett Britton, Crisis PRS Resettlement Development Officer, The Hinge Centre 21 Field Road, Bridlington, East Riding Of Yorkshire, YO16 4AU, tel: 01262 679671, scarlett@thehinge.org.uk, www.thehinge.org.uk



Pictured left to right are Cllr Liam Dealtry, Scarlett Britton and Cllr Shelagh Finlay.

#### FORTHCOMING TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS: APRIL to JUNE: All Meetings are open to the public

	Newsletter Designed and Printed by COASTAL COLOUR PRINT Bridlington 01262 609300	
Planning & Environmental	Monday 20th June 2011	1pm Town Council Offices
Council Wednesday	15th June 2011	7pm Council Chamber - Town Hall
Planning & Environmental	Tuesday 31st May 2011	1pm Town Council Offices
Finance & General Purposes	Wednesday 25th May 2011	7pm Town Council Offices
Council	Wednesday 18th May 2011	7pm Council Chamber – Town Hall
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Newsletter	Thursday 28th April 2011	2pm Town Council Offices
Planning & Environmental	Wednesday 27th April 2011	1pm Town Council Offices
Council	Wednesday 20th April 2011	7pm Council Chamber – Town Hall
Finance & General Purposes	Wednesday 13th April 2011	7pm Town Council Offices
Parish Meeting	Wednesday 13th April 2011	6pm Council Chamber – Town Hall
Planning & Environmental	Monday 4th April 2011	1pm Town Council Offices
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### Mayor's Message



#### Cllr Shelagh Finlay, **Mayor of Bridlington**

It was with great regret that The Town Council had to cancel the Christmas Lights Switch On this year due to the severe weather conditions on the switch on day.

However, all was not lost and we hosted a community day in conjunction with the Spa Pantomime cast, The Bridlington Lions, Carol singers and of course Santa. I was privileged to attend many carol concerts and Christmas events in Bridlington and was again overwhelmed by the efforts of young and not so young to celebrate Christmas in a time of austerity.

The Bridlington Town Council continue to ask for support in its efforts to raise the number of Councillors - please take the time to sign the petition I would a like to pay tribute to my fellow councillors whom I have served with over the last 4 years on the Town Council. All have given their time freely and have been a pleasure to work with. My Consort and I will spend the last months of my time as Mayor attending community events and enjoying the rest of, what has been a wonderful year.

# SPA to SPA Walk

Our congratulations must go to the doughty participants and their supporters. Those taking part were Councillor Shelagh Finlay, Councillor Liam Dealtry, Councillor Jacqueline Foster, Councillor Geoff Pickering, Mr Glenn Walker, Mr Chris Johnson, another Mr Chris Johnson, Mr Graham Holgate, Miss Penny Barrett, Mr Tim Clark, Mrs Victoria Exon, and Mrs Paula King.





The walkers arriving in Bridlington

The walkers would like to thank everyone who sponsored them and ask that all sponsors are encouraged to send in their monies as soon as possible and anyone willing to donate money to these deserving charities can do so by calling the Council Offices at 62 Quay Road, Bridlington YO16 4HX (not the Town Hall ERYC Offices) between 9.00am and 1pm Monday to Friday or contact the office on Bridlington 01262 409006.

## Elections - Thursday 5th May 2011

#### Elections for all seats on the East Riding of Yorkshire Council and all Town and Parish Councils in the East Riding Information for electors

If you are not on the register of electors then you will not be able to vote in any of the polls. If you completed the canvass form that was delivered to your house in August/September last year then you will be on the register of electors. If you are not on the register then you will need to complete and return an application form which will need to be received by Electoral Services by Thursday 14 April 2011. If you want to apply for a postal vote, a postal proxy vote or amend existing postal vote arrangements, then you will need to complete an application form which needs to be received by Electoral Services by 5pm on Thursday 14 April 2011.

If you want to apply for a proxy vote then you will need to complete an application form which needs to be returned to Electoral Services by 5pm on Thursday 21 April 2011. You will most likely receive a polling card form for the ERYC Elections and at your Polling Station you will be handed your polling card for the Bridlington Town Council Elections when you tell them your address.

#### Information for candidates

Nomination forms are now available. Prospective candidates can obtain application forms from the East Riding of Yorkshire Councils website or by contacting the Electoral Office on 01482 393311/12/13. Completed forms will be accepted between the dates of Friday 25th March 2011 and noon on Monday 4th April 2011 to the Returning officer at the Electoral Office at the East Riding of Yorkshire Council, County Hall, Beverley, HU19 7BL. To become a Councillor please see the Bridlington Town Council Website under Elections 2011.

### List of Polling Stations in Bridlington

#### Bridlington Central & Old Town:

- · New Pasture Lane Community Centre, Burstall Hill, Bridlington
- Bowls Pavilion, Avenue Park, Westgate, Bridlington
- · Priory Church Rooms, Church Green, Bridlington St Mary's Priory Church (Bridlington Priory), Sewerby Road, Bridlington

#### **Bridlington North:**

- · Burlington Infants School, Marton Road, Bridlington
- · North Bridlington Library, Marton Gate, Bridlington · Bridlington Community Resource Centre, 4-6 Victoria Road, Bridlington

#### **Bridlington South:**

- Emmanuel Church Hall, Cardigan Rd, Bridlington · St Mary's RC Primary School (Early Years Room), George Street, Bridlington
- · Christ Church Hall, 2 Quay Rd, Bridlington
- Council Chamber, Town Hall, Ouav Rd, Bridlington



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### BioBag Dog -Dog Waste Bags

due to popular demand the Bridlington Town Council and Community Resource Centre now both sell BioBags at a cost of £1.25 per box of 50 bags.

What is the "BioBag Dog"?

The "BioBag Dog" is a biodegradable & compostable dog waste bag, which has the many environmental advantages

To purchase the bags, please call at the Town Council Offices at the address below:

Bridlington Town Council 62 Quay Road, Bridlington, YO16 4HX Opening hours 9am-1pm - Monday to Friday Tel: 01262 409006 or email: clerk@bridlington.gov.uk

### BUDGET PROPOSAL

# TOWN COUNCIL AGAIN A REDUCTION FOR BRIDLINGTON

For the financial year 2011/2012 the Town Council have set their Budget. We are confident that we can absorb inflation and cost increases from our suppliers, insurer's and of course the rates and business rates we pay to the East Riding of Yorkshire Council.

Due to tight financial control by the current Council we can announce a further reduction in our precept.

#### The bands are as follows:-

Band A = £10.01 Band B = £11.68 Band C = £13.35 Band C = £

A full breakdown of the Town Council's budget for 2011/12 will be delivered with the Council Tax information from the East Riding of Yorkshire Council (ERYC).

### YOUR RESPONSES-WINTER ISSUE

The majority of responses were about Emergency planning street snow clearance and grit bins but a worrying number were about full rate payers and their lack of ERYC services when living in un-adopted roads. For most new housing area ratepayers this applies and can carry on for 4 to 5 years after they have moved in. So for OUR ISSUES in the next magazine we want to hear from ratepayers who have had problems with any of the following issues because of un-adopted roads. The Council estimates that there will be approximately 4+% of the 550 roads in town which is unacceptable for full ratepayers. Other issues, relating to un-adopted roads, were:-

- 1) That there have been no grit bin applications accepted by the ERYC when individuals have actually taken the time to apply for them.
- 2) No road speed signs or traffic calming measures
- 3) Open spaces, mowing, planting and maintenance off loaded onto builder/contractor
- 4) Off highway footpath lighting
- 5) Rubbish bins only available after adoption
- 6) Drainage issues offloaded onto builder/contractor
- 7) Insurance and maintenance of child play areas offloaded onto builder contractor
- 8) No bus service routes available on un-adopted roads
- 9) No pothole maintenance on un-adopted roads

### **EMERGENCY PLANNING**

Gritting and Severe weather proposals. Please ensure that all vulnerable people are registered with both ERYC- Social Services- Adult Care Management Team via customer services network at the Town Hall (ERYC) Quay Rd Bridlington and -01482 3939, or Age Concern on 01482 869181. Age UK will clear drives and pavements at a rate of £10,00 per hour and if you cannot collect your own salt bags from B&O etc. a company in Scarborough will deliver - to your drive at a rate of £6.99 per 25kg sufficient to do most areas twice. Also residents are asked to clear their drives and pavements particularly if you have elderly people in your area, and it would also help if shopkeepers, banks, restaurants could keep their entrances, forecourts and car parks clear. We would appeal for them to keep their areas clear as not only does it increase footfall in difficult trading times but avoids the need to look at EU regulations; for example failure to prevent easy access adjacent to entrances normally is a 250 Euro per day fine in Germany.

## **GRANT SUCCESS**

The Town Council applied for, and was successful, at obtaining a severe weather winter fund grant from the ERYC for pavement clearance. This was for £2000 and was not available in time to make any impact on the previous batch of bad weather but the money has been partially spent to obtain a small stock of grit and equipment to address severe weather immediately when it happens again. With a team from Christ Church at the ready to ensure that paths are cleared in the town centre and "hot Spot" areas of Bridlington as soon as possible. There are 550 roads the in Bridlington and the Team contracted would take a minimum of 12 weeks to clear the Town - an unrealistic time-scale and cost to clear all pavements!

## **GRITTING BINS**

There are 46 gritting bins in Bridlington a very high number for one every 12-13 roads ratio. Most areas of the UK do not have this coverage. The questions are how do we get bins, how many roads cannot get them because they have not had a petition, not on a slope difficulty area or un-adopted roads?

The Council suggests that resident groups contact the ERYC for a survey to see if they are eligible. It would be a good idea to have a letter with signatures of all the residents requesting the bin plus a statement from the person who is willing to have the bin next to their property. The Contact is Tony Neill, Winter Services, ERYC, Beverley Depot, Annie Reed Rd, Beverley HU17 OLF – email tony.neill@eastriding.gov.uk Tel: 01482 395722



## NATIONAL REFERENDUM

#### **Parlimentary voting system**

There will also be a national referendum on the Parliamentary Voting System, also being held on 5 May 2011. The referendum will pose the question:-

"Do you want the United Kingdom to adopt the 'alternative vote' system instead of the current 'first past the post' system for electing Members of Parliament to the House of Commons?"

Information about what these options mean and how they operate will be delivered to every household in the East Riding as part of a national campaign delivered by the Electoral Commission.

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