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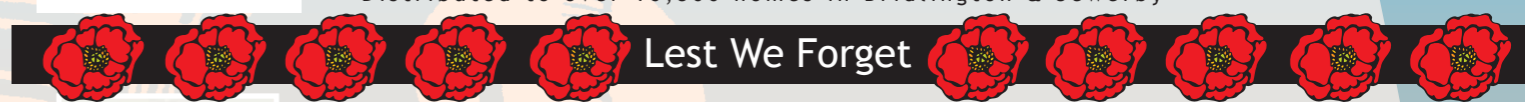
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Since the last newsletter the Mayoress and I have been kept busy. It gave me great pleasure to present an honorary citation of the Freedom of Bridlington to the new Yorkshire Regiment (Green Howards) who will be serving in Iraq come October. I pray that all the young service personnel will return safely. We also represented Bridlington at the Yorkshire in Bloom presentations in Bradford. I would offer my congratulations to Sewerby Hall and Gardens for winning a gold and to the Bridlington in Bloom Committee for achieving a silver gilt award and coming top in the coastal towns category. Congratulations are also due to all our local gardeners who won awards this year. We would like to thank everyone for making us so welcome at the numerous functions we have attended and thank you for the invitations. The threatened reduction of service provision at the Bridlington Hospital is of concern to us all and we will do our utmost to ensure that this does not happen.

Councillor Leslie Taylor  
Mayor of Bridlington 2006-2007

## New Yorkshire Regiment given Freedom of Bridlington

### Green Howards' Honorary Freedom of Bridlington

Bridlington Town Council was pleased to honour the newly formed 2nd Battalion of the Yorkshire Regiment which is the successor to the former Green Howards Regiment at a ceremony held at the Town Hall on 31st July 2006.

The Green Howards Regiment was first honoured by the Borough of Bridlington and the Town Council's guest of honour was Bernard J Gregory, a former member of the regiment, who was on parade for the original ceremony back in 1945. The North Wolds Borough Council honoured the regiment in 1976, almost thirty years to the day of the recent ceremony.

The ceremony took the form of a small detachment of troops plus drummers accompanied by their senior officers. Councillor Leslie Taylor presented Lt. Col. Andrew Jackson with an illuminated



Cllr Leslie Taylor - Mayor of Bridlington, Cllr Hilary Saynor - Chairman of the East Riding and the Commanding Officer inspecting the troops

citation created by George Stevenson, a local calligrapher and former Green Howard and the Mayor was presented with a framed regimental cap badge. Following the ceremony guests retired to the council chamber for refreshments and an audio-visual presentation on the new regiment.

It is hoped that subject to tours of duty the Yorkshire Regiment will look to exercise its freedom of Bridlington before too long.

### WINTER PARKING CHARGES

The Town Council resolved unanimously to oppose the implementation of on and off-street parking charges during winter.

## FORTHCOMING TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS: • All Full Council Meetings are open to the public

### October

2nd	14.00	Planning & Environmental Committee	Community Resource Centre
3rd	19.00	Council	Council Chamber, Town Hall
16th	14.00	Planning & Environmental Committee	Community Resource Centre
30th	14.00	Planning & Environmental Committee	Community Resource Centre

### November

7th	19.00	Council	Council Chamber, Town Hall
13th	14.00	Planning & Environmental Committee	Community Resource Centre
27th	14.00	Planning & Environmental Committee	Community Resource Centre
28th	19.00	Finance & General Purposes Committee	Community Resource Centre

Readers are reminded that at meetings of the full Council the public has the opportunity to address the Council on any subject. With about seven months to run until the 3rd May 2007 local elections you may wish to familiarise yourself with how the council operates. Presently your council has limited powers but this may well change. The Government has announced that it is preparing legislation for

the devolution of powers to local communities. On the 19th September 2006 Ruth Kelly, Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government stated, "I am committed to bring forward proposals which deliver devolution to the doorstep, putting more power into the hands of local people than we have ever seen." In future Bridlington Town Council may well benefit from these extra powers.



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1. Green Howards - in traditional uniforms through the ages

2. Victory Beating by the Drummers

3. Lt. Col. Andrew Jackson, Cllr Taylor, Cllr Saynor and Guest of Honour, Mr Bernard Gregory, who paraded in 1945, when the Borough of Bridlington honoured the Green Howards

## YORKSHIRE REGIMENT FREEDOM OF BRIDLINGTON - PICTURE SPECIAL

### Parking on Grass Verges--Update.

Over three years ago your Council established that a byelaw existed prohibiting parking on grass verges with a £50 fine for contravention. The byelaw required that adequate warning signs be provided and the ERYC was asked to provide them at high-ways defined by your Council.

Initially Humberside Police said that it would not enforce the byelaw, later it agreed that byelaws have as much standing as any other law and would enforce it. The ERYC made a survey and took photographs late 2005. As at the 22nd August 2006 an ERYC committee was to consider the matter.

### Flagpoles.

Your Town Council was jointly responsible with Urban Renaissance for the erection of 14 flagpoles, 12 at South Cliff Gardens one each at Pembroke Gardens and Sewerby. Ten of these have been sponsored by various organisations and individuals. Those who sponsored them have a plaque permanently attached to a pole. Some have chosen to remember loved ones. Four poles are available at £400 each. Contact Chris Smith on 409006 if you are interested in sponsoring any of the remaining flagpoles.

### Bridlington blossoms again in Yorkshire In Bloom Awards - at Bradford Ceremony.

Bridlington was up against five other regional resorts (Scarborough was competing in Britain in Bloom and therefore not entered in the regional competition).

The resort was once again outright category winner with silver gilt. Cleethorpes, Filey and Whitby also were awarded silver gills, and Hornsea and Withernsea were awarded silvers.

### The New Skatepark - update

The Gasworx Skatepark is progressing forward positively at present and has been boosted with the approval by the East Riding Council on the outstanding issues. The project is currently

running to schedule with work expected to commence on site in November and an anticipated completion by spring 2007. The Council is appreciative of the support already given by local organisations, as well as many other professional bodies and the hard work of many volunteers, which has contributed to making the facility a reality. Although all the funding required to build the facility has been raised, the project still requires the support of the local community and local businesses to secure the facility's sustainability.

The Gasworx is currently promoting its 'Skate Buddies' scheme to local businesses. The benefits for Skate Buddies include acknowledgments in the Gasworx bi-monthly newsletter and on the Gasworx website. A plaque listing the Skate Buddies will also be placed by the entrance to the Skatepark. Businesses will also have the opportunity to target the Gasworx members with promotional offers printed in the member's newsletter. Skate Buddies will also be offered the opportunity to advertise their business around the perimeter of the Skatepark for an annual fee plus the cost of the signage. This is a great way to promote business with an estimated 75,000 visitors to the park per year.

Skate Buddies will pay £250 per annum and the funding raised by the scheme will be used to ensure this much needed facility is fully sustainable and will support skate events / festivals for the people of Bridlington and the surrounding area.

For more details of the 'Skate Buddy' scheme please contact Nick Johnson (Project Manager) on 01262 608040 or E-mail gasworx.skatepark@tiscali.co.uk  
The Community Cop Shop, Bridge Street, Bridlington.

The Gasworx is involved in other community projects, including the 'BRIDLINGTON BATTLE OF THE BANDS'. This is a huge event for Bridlington which has been organised by a number of individuals and groups from the local community with half of the profits to be donated to the Gasworx project. The event which is to be held at Leisure World in Bridlington, on the 20th October, will see a number of bands competing for the fantastic first prize of two days in a recording studio!! For details on this event please contact Mark Richardson on 07810 655845

### Bridlington Area Action Plan

Despite our invitation for residents to contribute to the Urban Renaissance Town Team meeting on the 30th August only 35 people turned up. The Town Team is all part of the future of Bridlington, as is the Area Action Plan. The AAP is to determine the future of the town. Many will not see it come to fruition but we owe it to future generations to provide the best we can. The recent AAP Questionnaire was completed by 57 individuals and organisations, with 1,200 individual comments. What a poor showing for a town of some 35,000 persons. The next opportunity for you to comment on the AAP will be early in the new year (watch press for details). The next Town Team meeting will be 6.30pm on the 11th October at Sewerby Hall, with refreshments. Please try to get there if you can. (See Regen News Oct.)

### Distraction Burglary

We are advised by Bridwatch that there has been an increase in distraction burglary. That is when two persons gain entry to your home, one keeps you talking whilst the other helps himself. It's mostly the elderly and infirm who are targeted. Precaution, do not allow any stranger to enter your home without them providing some identity and whilst you still have the door chain in place check by phone the number with which the caller should provide you. Many elderly ladies tend not to report infringements. Do not delay in contacting the Police on 0845 6060222 and/or Bridwatch on 409352 (24 hrs.) if you are suspect of callers.

### Lifeline Service - independent living through telecare solutions

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