



BRIDLINGTON TOWNSCAPE HERITAGE

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It's been a while since the last newsletter, so here's a quick round up of all things heritage in Bridlington Quay and beyond.

Properties

Hopefully you've all been aware of the building work on 26-34 King Street. The project was highly commended at the Chairman's Awards last month. This run of five buildings were repaired by the Lords Feoffees with grant-aid from the Townscape Heritage scheme. Although they have been altered over the years these buildings date from the nineteenth century and remain visibly the same buildings. The Kings Arms is listed in Pigot's 1829 directory for the town, and appears on Ordnance Survey maps dating from the 1890s onwards. 34 King Street was the home of Marks and Spencer in 1919 and before that Bradley's tailors. The new shop fronts were designed to better reflect the nineteenth-century buildings.

The designs were informed by historic evidence from council's archives and that of Marks and Spencer. The restoration has been transformative and 26-34 King Street now make a really positive contribution to what is one the town centre's most historic streetscapes.



Over the road, we've also seen the completion of works at 33 King Street. This has seen the reinstatement of the shop front to mirror the one next at number 31. Measures to waterproof the shop were also taken, to bring additional space back into use. The current building at number 33 was originally Harrison & Co. tobacconists and confectioners. There are entries for F. E. Harrison & Co. in the trade directories from 1905 to 1925. During the building works the original shop sign was uncovered. It has since been restored and put back in pride of place.



Managing the Conservation Area

The Townscape Heritage project recently held a training session on conducting conservation area monitoring surveys. Regular monitoring allows the council to record changes and see whether the area is improving or deteriorating. It also allows any opportunities or threats to be identified. The volunteers learnt about conservation areas and what to look out. There was good discussion about the current condition of Bridlington's conservation areas (there are three) and some key issues such as maintenance. The volunteers will be completing the survey over the summer with the results fed back to the council for comparison with last year. If you would be interested in helping out, do get in touch.

Building maintenance

It's also great to see building owners looking after their property. Research by Historic England has shown that well-maintained traditional buildings retain their value well.

Conversely, not undertaking regular maintenance increases costs through the development of much more costly repairs.

So, congratulations to the owners of The Carlton on The Crescent, who have just finished a thorough overhaul of their property. It looks fantastic.



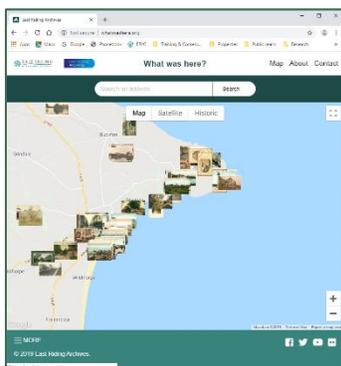
Public realm

The seafront renewal project, including Garrison Square is now well underway, with a planning application now submitted for Regents Gardens. The exciting first steps of the project have just been taken with the installation of samples of all the materials that will be used. Members of the public are invited to have a look at the paving materials and the sample bench and feed back to us via bridlington.renaissance@eastriding.gov.uk. The sample panel will be on Garrison Square until the actual works take place. You can view the designs [here](#) and the planning application [here](#).

Activities

What was here?

Have you discovered the 'What was here?' app? The app has been developed by East Riding Archives and lets you see historic images of some of your favourite places. Using the app (or the website) you can even walk in these historic footprints. Simple search for 'What was here?' in either the App store or Google play. You can help the Archives Service to grow the content of the map by donating images to the project and suggest corrections. Check out the accompanying [What was here](#) website.



Research

The U3A established a group to study the history of that part of Bridlington historically known as Quay. We began by looking at some of the extensive collection of maps held in the Local Studies Room to get an overview of how the area developed over time. Memories, collections of documents and photos that local people have amassed were shared. Some group members are

recording information about buildings and people in the area. The more we uncover, the more we find there is to discover!

What do you think of the conservation area?

Were you aware the town centre is a conservation area? We want to know what people think of heritage and the changes to the town centre. Let us know your thoughts via this very short [survey](#) - it only takes a few minutes.

We want your photos!

We are still looking for old photos of the area to identify building alterations. Please send them to townscape.heritage@eastriding.gov.uk with copyright information.

Keep updated

For more information about the project visit: www.bridlingtonheritage.com

OTHER NEWS

Heritage Open Days 2019

This year's Heritage Opens Days is 13-22 September when buildings open their doors to the public. Find out what's happening at www.heritageopendays.org.uk/.

Westgate Park Railings

Brightening Up Bridlington recently completed six projects including the restoration of Westgate Park railings. Volunteers had to use lots of elbow grease over three days to get them looking as good as new.

