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*Other Services*

Advice on local studies/family history searches  
Library Talks/Tours for groups/students of all ages  
Outside Talks to local groups

*If you have an enquiry please do not hesitate to ask the staff.*

**Opening Hours**

Monday and Friday 9.30 am - 7.00 pm  
Tuesday and Wednesday 9.30 am - 5.00 pm  
Thursday 9.30am - 1.00 pm  
Saturday 9.00 am - 1.00 pm



***Bridlington Local  
Studies Library***

### Introduction

The Local Studies Library was established with a collection begun by Bridlington Borough Public Library (opened 1937). Since 1st April 1996 it has become one of the three major local studies collections of the East Riding of Yorkshire Council.

Particular emphasis is placed on the term 'Local Studies' with a view to collecting not only material of an historical nature but also that which is topical, i.e. tomorrow's history.

The Collection is housed within the Reference Library in the Bridlington Room on the second floor of the Bridlington Library. Material in most cases is available for consultation in the library only.

### Contents of the Local Studies Collection

#### Books and Pamphlets

A wide range of books and pamphlets is held covering in particular Bridlington and the historic East Riding of Yorkshire but also representing Yorkshire and Humberside.

#### Newspapers

The following newspapers are available:-

'Bridlington Free Press'	1859 to date	-	microfilm
	1941 to date	-	bound volumes
'Bridlington & Quay Advertiser'	1843, 1844 & 1847	-	microfilm
'Bridlington & Quay Gazette'	1874-1914	-	microfilm
'Bridlington & Quay Observer'	1859-1899	-	microfilm
'Bridlington Chronicle'	1938-1954	-	bound volumes
'Bridlington Star'	1984-1986	-	microfilm

The 'Annals of Bridlington' 1867-1942 comprise an invaluable series of indexed newscuttings.

**Please note:** It is essential to book an appointment in order to use the microreaders.

#### Maps

Ordnance Survey maps covering Bridlington and District are available in the following series:-

c1853	5 feet to 1 mile (Bridlington only)
c1889	25 inch to 1 mile (Bridlington & Flamborough Head)
c1929	25 inch to 1 mile (Bridlington & District)
c1950	6 inch to 1 mile (Bridlington & District)
c1980	various (Bridlington & District)

A small collection of historical East Riding maps is also held.

*We cannot provide copies of maps for planning or business purposes.*

### Journals

A variety of local journals can be consulted.

### Parish Magazines

A collection representative of the area is expanding as more churches and parishes are encouraged to deposit their magazines.

### Photographs and Postcards

This extensive collection of approximately 3500 photographs and postcards covers mainly Bridlington and area.

### Ephemera

Collections cover a wide range of topics including:-

Election Posters	Local Government	c1900-1968
Theatre / Entertainment Bills / Programmes		c1879-c1960

### Family History Resources

#### Census Returns

Census Returns are available on microfilm for Bridlington and District 1841 - 1891 and microfiche 1901.

#### 1881 Census Name Index

**Yorkshire** - available on fiche and the **British Isles** - available on CD ROM.

**International Genealogical Index (I.G.I.)** UK listing on fiche.

Complemented by the **Vital Records Index British Isles** on CD ROM and Internet updates.

#### Trade Directories

Trade directories for the area range from 1832-1939.

#### Registers of Electors

An incomplete file exists from 1899 to date.

**Special Collections** - on a variety of topics. *We are always pleased to accept material of this nature.*

### Equipment

1 Microfilm/fiche Reader Printer	1 Fax
2 Microfiche Readers	7 Computers (with free internet access)
1 Photocopier (black and white)	Laminator (paper sizes A3, A4 & A5)
1 Photocopier (colour)	Printer/Scanner (Black & White & colour)

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### Background Collection

A number of local history and family history background reading books and guides are available; some of these are for loan.