

BERA E-NEWSLETTER 12th March 2020 – www.bera.co.uk

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Reminders:

New Which subscription logon details:

Email or Username: burgesestate

Password: Bera2020

“Which Garden” - log on to Which as usual, but pick the “House and Garden” option at the top. Then pick “Garden” and you will find reviews for all types of gardening tools and accessories.

If any of you have taken photos locally that you would like displayed on the BERA website, please send them by email to: photos@bera.co.uk.

BERA Coffee Morning -The next BERA sponsored coffee morning will be on Thursday 19th March 2020 at The Methodist Church on the corner of Johnstone Road and The Broadway from 10am to midday (unless we advise you otherwise it is always on the 3rd Thursday of the month).

Please come along for free tea/coffee and biscuits and bring a friend. We will be bringing along panic and personal alarms, no cold caller letterbox stickers, contactless debit card blocking pouches, and will take orders for the car key signal blocking pouches.

BERA Membership is now overdue

BERA renewals are now overdue and the cost this year is again £10 per household. If you have not yet renewed and you wish to remain a member, please renew as soon as possible.

Renewals can be done by either:

- * online on the homepage at www.bera.co.uk and pay by bank transfer or
- * by printing off a membership form, also on the homepage, and returning it with your payment (cash or cheque made payable to Burges Estate Resident Association) to Ron Woodley, 91 Tyrone Road or Mike Stafford, 85 Maplin Way.

1) Information Corner

Shoeburyness Fire Station begins refurbishment work

Work to refurbish and modernise Shoeburyness Fire Station has started.

In April 2019 Essex County Fire and Rescue Service bought the former police station next door with a view to using the extra space to improve the station's facilities.

Teens N Toast Youth Club gets kids off the street

Vulnerable young people are being enticed off the streets and away from potential trouble with the launch of a free youth club in Southend.

Teens N Toast Club runs every Tuesday for young people aged 11 to 16 at YMCA Community School in Southend. The club was set up after members of the youth independent advisory group (IAG) requested funding to spend on giving young people in Southend a positive place to go.

The puddle outside Tesco in The Broadway

This has been looked at twice but is going to be looked at again as it could be a collapsed drain.

Media Release from Southend Borough Council - Coronavirus case confirmed

Friday 6th March 2020, we became aware of a confirmed case of COVID-19 in the borough. The family involved acted responsibly and is in self-isolation, following the advice of NHS 111 and Public Health England.

Following Government guidance to take basic hygiene precautions remains the best way of significantly reducing the chances of spreading any virus: sneeze or cough into a tissue, bin it, wash your hands frequently and don't touch your face unless you've just washed your hands. We should do this all day every day as we should for flu.

Good regular cleaning with normal detergent of surfaces people touch regularly or may cough onto, like door handles and lift buttons, is also sensible. Please visit <https://gov.uk/coronavirus> for the latest advice and information.

Parking and footfall in Southend High Street

Please see below the transactions for February and which again, show an increase in numbers.

February	Transactions 2019	Transactions 2020
Alexandra Street	5305	6187
Clarence Street	7911	8038
Essex Street	12344	14280
Warrior Square	11897	12886
University Square	3422	5233
Tylers/York	20904	21100
total	61783	67724

Survey asks Southend residents to help shape independent Healthwatch service

A survey is looking to find out what the people of Southend want from an independent health and social care watchdog.

Healthwatch are the independent champion for people who use health and social care services and are in place to make sure that those running services put people at the heart of care. The organisation does this by receiving and collecting information from the public. This data is then used to influence, shape and challenge any issues, to get services right for the future.

Healthwatch is set up in two distinct ways; at a national and a local level. The current Healthwatch Southend contract (the local level for the borough of Southend-on-Sea) is due to end and Southend-on-Sea Borough Council are particularly keen to engage its residents, to ensure a new service meets the needs of the community, as well as to use people's views to shape the service going forward.

A survey is available for all people in Southend to take, to let their voice be heard. This questionnaire has been devised in two parts. The first section is for people who have used Healthwatch Southend and who can help the council understand how the current service model is working; and the second part is for everyone (including those of you who have not used the service).

The survey can be taken at:

<https://consult.southend.gov.uk/kms/elab.aspx?noip=1&CampaignId=816>

2) List Of Applications Registered Week Ending 6 March 2020

APPLN. NO: 20/00305/FUL

Ward. **Thorpe**

Officer: Oliver Hart Date Valid. 24 February 2020 Area BORO

**DEMOLISH EXISTING BEACH HUT AND ERECT REPLACEMENT BEACH HUT
BEACH HUT 222 THORPE ESPLANADE THORPE BAY**

APPLN. NO: 20/00372/CLP

Ward. **Thorpe**

Officer: Oliver Hart Date Valid. 2 March 2020 Area BORO

**CONVERT GARAGE INTO HABITABLE ACCOMMODATION, ALTER FRONT
ELEVATION**

(LAWFUL DEVELOPMENT CERTIFICATE-PROPOSED)

98 ST AUGUSTINES AVENUE THORPE BAY ESSEX

APPLN. NO: 20/00390/FULH

Ward. **Thorpe**

Officer: Oliver Hart Date Valid. 4 March 2020 Area BORO

ERECT SINGLE STOREY REAR EXTENSION

61 MARLBOROUGH ROAD SOUTHEND-ON-SEA ESSEX

APPLN. NO: 20/00402/FUL Ward. **Thorpe**
 Officer: Scott Davison Date Valid. 4 March 2020 Area BORO
ERECT REPLACEMENT BEACH HUT
BEACH HUT 324 THORPE ESPLANADE THORPE BAY

APPLN. NO: 20/00403/FUL Ward. **Thorpe**
 Officer: Scott Davison Date Valid. 4 March 2020 Area BORO
ERECT REPLACEMENT BEACH HUT
BEACH HUT 325 THORPE ESPLANADE THORPE BAY

APPLN. NO:20/00357/PA3COU Ward. **Thorpe**
 Officer: Scott Davison Date Valid. 27 February 2020 Area BORO
CHANGE OF USE FROM BANK (CLASS A2) TO FLORIST AND CAFE (CLASS A1/A3)
200 THE BROADWAY THORPE BAY ESSEX

APPLN. NO: 20/00301/FULH Ward. **West Shoebury**
 Officer: Julie Ramsey Date Valid. 24 February 2020 Area BORO
ERECT SINGLE STOREY OUTBUILDING TO REAR (RETROSPECTIVE)
108 CHURCH ROAD SHOEBURYNES SOUTHEND-ON-SEA

3) Southend NHW Crime Report 2nd to 8th March 2020

Ward	Reference	Offence Type	Reported Date	Committed From	Street	Town	MO
Southchurch	42/34189 /20	Theft of a motor vehicle	03/03/2020 06:38	03/03/2020 01:57	Hamstel Road	Southend-on-Sea	SUSPECT UNKNOWN HAS REMOVED THE VICTIMS RED HONDA PCX 125 EY69GVU BY MEANS UNKNOWN AND WITHOUT PERMISSION.
Southchurch	42/35418 /20	Theft from a motor vehicle	05/03/2020 13:58	05/03/2020 00:00	Armitage Road	Southend-on-Sea	SUSPECT UNKNOWN HAS BROKEN INTO THE VICTIMS SILVER PEUGEOT EXPERT AND STOLEN TOOLS FROM WITHIN.
West Shoebury	42/35121 /20	Other criminal damage to a vehicle (Under	04/03/2020 22:29	04/03/2020 20:45	Delaware Road	Southend-on-Sea	SUSPECTS UNKNOWN HAVE DAMAGED THE VICTIMS VEHICLE BY DRILLING A HOLE IN THE

£5,000)

REAR DOOR LOCK
IN AN ATTEMPT
TO GAIN ACCESS
TO THE VAN.
ACCESS NOT
GAINED, NO
ITEMS STOLEN
FROM INSIDE.

West Shoebury	42/35126 /20	Theft from a motor vehicle	04/03/2020 23:03	04/03/2020 21:30	Caulfield Road	Southend- on-Sea	SUSPECTS UNKNOWN HAVE DRILLED THE LOCK AND OPENED THE REAR DOORS OF THE VICTIMS RENAULT VAN, BLACK, AND THEN STOLEN ITEMS FROM WITHIN.
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4) Major Works on Other Routes

Address Shaftesbury Avenue
Start 21/01/2020
End 30/03/2020 (date change)
Work Ref AZ007 – 1000862659 - Mains replacement works
Works Type Major
L.A.Ref 100368
Traffic Management Give & take – delays unlikely

Address Pargat Drive
Start 13/03/2020
End 03/04/2020
Work Ref AZ007 – 1000875058 - Mains replacement works
Works Type Major
L.A.Ref 101613
Traffic Management Some carriageway incursion - delays unlikely

Address Ringwood Drive
Start 13/03/2020
End 06/05/2020
Work Ref AZ007 – 1000875059 - Mains replacement works
Works Type Major
L.A.Ref 101621
Traffic Management Some carriageway incursion - delays unlikely

Address **Thorpe Bay Gardens**
Start 13/03/2020
End 08/05/2020
Work Ref AZ007 – 1000877212 - Mains replacement works
Works Type Major
L.A.Ref 101849
Traffic Management Give & take - delays unlikely

Address **Public footpath from Delaware Crescent to Ness Road**
Start 13/03/2020
End 09/04/2020
Work Ref AZ007 – 1000879096 - Mains replacement works
Works Type Major
L.A.Ref 102119
Traffic Management No carriageway incursion - delays unlikely

Address **Picketts Avenue**
Start 21/02/2020
End 13/03/2020
Work Ref AZ007 – 1000883051 - Mains replacement works
(change of work ref)
Works Type Major
L.A.Ref 102460
Traffic Management Road closure - delays likely

Address **Rayleigh Drive**
Start 09/03/2020
End 23/03/2020
Work Ref AZ007 – 1000883052 - Mains replacement works
Works Type Major
L.A.Ref 102461
Traffic Management Road closure - delays likely

Address **Denton Avenue**
Start 13/03/2020
End 18/06/2020
Work Ref AZ007 – 1000883460 - Mains replacement works
Works Type Major
L.A.Ref 102512
Traffic Management Give & take - delays unlikely

Address Purley Way
Start 13/03/2020
End 18/06/2020
Work Ref AZ007 – 1000883476 – Permit for the use of storage facilities relating to mains replacement
Works Type Major
L.A.Ref 102515
Traffic Management Give & take - delays unlikely

Address Bellhouse Lane
Start 09/03/2020
End 13/03/2020
Work Ref AZ007 – 1000889139 – Alter/relay service 15M from main in carriageway
Works Type Major
L.A.Ref 103169
Traffic Management Two way signals - delays possible

Address Tudor Gardens
Start 21/01/2020
End 26/03/2020
Work Ref AZ007 – 1000906142 – lay new gas service in carriageway (**change of work ref**)
Works Type Major
L.A.Ref 104471
Traffic Management Give & take - delays unlikely

Address Birchwood Drive
Start 09/03/2020
End 13/03/2020
Work Ref AZ007 – 1000911397 - Mains replacement works
Works Type Major
L.A.Ref 104892
Traffic Management Road closure - delays likely

5) A127 Major Works Update and Bell Junction

Cadent (gas) – are continuing their diversion works at the Bell Junction to excavate and install their new gas pipe and are currently on Phase 3 on their programme.

Phase 3 works involve digging and excavating the carriageway on Rochford Road and A127 Prince Avenue to connect the new gas pipes with the existing gas network. This phase requires a Rochford Road northbound road closure and lane one on the A127 Southend bound, to be closed in advance of The Bell junction until 15 March. Cadent had hoped to complete phase 3 by 8 March but have

encountered more work than anticipated to complete the connections for the new gas pipe with the existing network. Although this extra week on to their programme is disappointing, they are still well ahead of their overall programmed completion date.

Once Phase 3 is complete, Cadent will move on to Phase 4, their final phase. Our Engineers have been onsite again this week to review the traffic signal timings to maximise the flow.

Cadent's contractor will continue to work weekends where possible (dependant on working activities) to maximise the traffic management and to complete the works as soon as possible. Bus numbers 7 & 8 will continue to be diverted via Manners Way / Oakengrange Drive. Cadent will continue to inform local residents, businesses and stakeholders of their progress. Advance warning signs and variable message signs are advising drivers.

UK Power Networks (electric) – are continuing their diversion works at the Bell Junction and are working in collaboration with Cadent gas to minimise disruption to traffic. Where possible UKPN will utilise Cadent's traffic management.