

**BERA E-NEWSLETTER 29<sup>th</sup> August 2019 – [www.bera.co.uk](http://www.bera.co.uk)**  
(printable version of Newsletter is available soon on website if needed)

## **Reminders:**

New Which subscription logon details:  
Email or Username: burgesestate  
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“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](mailto:photos@bera.co.uk).

**BERA Coffee Morning** - The next BERA sponsored coffee morning will be on Thursday 19th September 2019 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, contactless debit card blocking pouches, and will take orders for the car key signal blocking pouches.

## **1) Information Corner**

### **9 in 10 children are glued to screens and sleep badly**

Nine out of ten children are not getting enough sleep or exercise and spend too much time watching screens, experts warn. Children who spend hours on smartphones and tablets move around less, and the blue light from the devices disrupts their sleeping patterns. The study, by Loughborough University and University College London, looked at screen time, sleep and physical activity in children based on the Millennium Cohort Study of 2015 and 2016.

### **Underground line to heat up north London homes**

Heat from London Underground tunnels will be used to keep homes in Islington warm under a new scheme. Under the project - a joint initiative between Islington Council, Transport for London and engineering firm Ramboll - warm air from a disused Northern Line station will support a heat network supplying up to 1,000 homes and businesses by the end of the year.

### **Primary schoolchildren eat crisps for breakfast, study reveals**

Up to one in 20 primary school children eat crisps for breakfast, according to a study by Flora, which surveyed 2,000 parents. The survey also found that 65 per cent of children regularly do not have anything at all to eat in the mornings, and among those who do eat breakfast every day, 54 per cent have sugary cereals.

### **South Essex project to increase numbers of women in construction**

A women only construction training project is coming to south Essex this September, and local women are being urged to sign up to learn new skills. South Essex Construction Training Academy (SECTA), is a government funded project aimed at increasing the number of people able to work in the construction industry across south Essex. SECTA has partnered up with Women into Construction to set up a women only training scheme, the first of its kind in south Essex.

The new programme is open to all women aged 18 plus, with information events taking places at the three hubs across south Essex:

- Basildon, The Advice Store, Westgate Shopping Centre, SS14 1WP – Tuesday 10 September, 1pm–2.30pm
- Thurrock, Signpost, Crown House, RM17 6JH – Wednesday 11 September, 10am–12pm
- Southend-on-Sea, The Tickfield Centre, SS2 6ER – Thursday 12 September, 10am–12pm

The deadline to register for each event is the dates of the events listed above, but please note there are limited spaces of roughly 30 per event. Going forward, further events will be available every six to eight weeks until March 2020.

Those who register will have the opportunity to join the programme which will help you develop your CV and interview skills, and give you free training to enable you to gain the CSCS card, first aid and fire marshal qualifications.

There is a guaranteed one week work placement followed by support to gain employment in the industry. Placements will be available in both site based activities and office functions. Placements will be matched as closely as possible to your interest.

Register your interest at [www.sectatraining.co.uk](http://www.sectatraining.co.uk), call 01702 212856 or search Facebook for SECTA Construction Training.

## **SECTA**

SECTA is funded by the Department for Education, administered by the Construction Industry Training Board (CITB) and managed by Southend-on-Sea Borough Council, working in partnership with Basildon Council, Castle Point District Council, Rochford District Council and Thurrock Council, along with construction companies and referral partners.

South Essex Construction Training Academy (SECTA) trains and supports people into the construction industry. Through three hubs, based in Southend, Basildon and Thurrock, individualised training and support is provided

## **Underage children sold knives dozens of times by major retailers**

Four major retailers each sold knives to under-age children at least 15 times during test purchases, National Trading Standards has said. Asda, Tesco, Poundland and

Home Bargains were all named as having sold knives to under-18s in tests carried out between April 2018 and March 2019. Trading standards teams in England and Wales carried out 2,231 tests in national chains and independent shops and found staff failed to prevent the sale of knives to children on 344 occasions, the equivalent of 15 per cent. They also carried out 100 online tests and found children were able to buy knives on 41 occasions. The LGA has previously warned that funding for test purchase operations is running out. Councils are also concerned they do not have the resources they need to enforce a ban on selling knives and corrosives online to under-18s.

**2) List Of Applications Registered Week Ending 23 August 2019**

**APPLN. NO: 19/01525/FULH** Ward. **Southchurch**  
Officer: Janine Rowley Date Valid. 16 August 2019 Area BORO  
**INSTALL VEHICULAR CROSSOVERS ONTO ARLINGTON ROAD AND  
SOUTHCHURCH BOULEVARD TO PROVIDE IN AND OUT DRIVEWAY  
79 SOUTHCHURCH BOULEVARD SOUTHEND-ON-SEA ESSEX**

**APPLN. NO: 19/01493/AMDT** Ward. **Thorpe**  
Officer: Oliver Hart Date Valid. 19 August 2019 Area BORO  
**APPLICATION TO VARY CONDITION 03 (MATERIALS) ALTER MATERIAL OF  
FRONT WALL (MINOR MATERIAL AMENDMENT TO PLANNING PERMISSION  
17/00348/FUL DATED 08.05.2017  
97 THE BROADWAY THORPE BAY ESSEX**

**APPLN. NO: 19/01494/FULH** Ward. **West Shoebury**  
Officer: Peter Lang Date Valid. 20 August 2019 Area BORO  
**ERECT SINGLE STOREY FRONT EXTENSION FOR FORM ADDITIONAL GARAGE  
8 LEITRIM AVENUE SHOEBURYNESS SOUTHEND-ON-SEA**

**APPLN. NO: 19/01526/FULH** Ward. **West Shoebury**  
Officer: Peter Lang Date Valid. 16 August 2019 Area BORO  
**ERECT SINGLE STOREY SIDE EXTENSION  
97 CHURCH ROAD SHOEBURYNESS SOUTHEND-ON-SEA**

### **3) Temporary Road Closure – 27<sup>th</sup> August 2019 – 1 week - Marine Parade, Leigh-On-Sea – Emergency Maintenance Repairs**

Whilst this notice is in operation, all vehicles will be prohibited from:

**PROCEEDING ON MARINE PARADE FROM ITS JUNCTION WITH VERNON ROAD TO ITS JUNCTION WITH HERSCHELL ROAD.**

These prohibitions or restrictions came into effect on **27th August 2019**. This notice will remain in force for a period of **21 days or the duration of the works whichever is the earliest. It is anticipated that the works will last for 1 week.**

Whilst this section of Marine Parade is closed, an alternative route for traffic will be marked on site and resident's access will be maintained where possible.

**4) Southend NHW Data 19<sup>th</sup> August – 25 August 2019**

Ward	Reference	Offence Type	Reported Date	Committed From	Street	Town	MO
Southchurch	42/133071/19	Theft if not classified elsewhere	19/08/2019 10:55	19/08/2019 09:17	Southchurch Boulevard	Southend-on-Sea	SUSPECT UNKNOWN HAS ENTERED BUS AND DURING A VERBAL ARGUMENT WITH THE DRIVER, REACHED INTO THE CAB AREA AND TOOK A HANDFUL OF COINS AND MADE OFF WITH PROPERTY.
Southchurch	42/133691/19	Theft of a motor vehicle	20/08/2019 11:23	19/08/2019 22:00	Southchurch Boulevard	Southend-on-Sea	SUSPECT UNKNOWN HAS STOLEN THE VICTIMS BLACK RANGE

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Thorpe	42/133105/19	Burglary - Business And Community	19/08/2019 12:07	08/08/2019 18:00	Thorpe Bay Gardens	Southend-on-Sea

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Thorpe	42/133245/19	Theft from a motor vehicle	19/08/2019 11:38	18/08/2019 18:00	Eastern Esplanade	Southend-on-Sea	SUSPECTS UNKNOWN HAVE TAKEN FRONT NUMBER PLATE FROM FORD ECO SPORT, SILVER AND LET DOWN FRONT PASSENGER SIDE TYRE BY UNKNOWN MEANS.
Thorpe	42/134757/19	Other criminal damage to a vehicle (Under £5,000)	22/08/2019 12:40	21/08/2019 20:00	Wyatts Drive	Southend-on-Sea	SUSPECT UNKNOWN USED AN UNKNOWN IMPLEMENT TO SLASH THE OFFSIDE FRONT TYRE OF THE

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Thorpe	42/134786/19	Other criminal damage, other (Under £5,000)	22/08/2019 13:40	21/08/2019 11:30	Woodgrang e Drive	Southend-on- Sea	SUSPECT ATTEMPTED TO GET AWAY FROM THE POLICE AND IN THE PROCESS JUMPED OVER THE VICTIMS FENCE DAMAGING THE FENCE POST AND FENCE.
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Thorpe	42/135235/19	Other criminal damage to a dwelling (Under £5,000)	23/08/2019 11:19	21/08/2019 23:55	St. Augustines Avenue	Southend-on-Sea	SUSPECTS UNKNOWN HAVE THROWN NUMEROUS EGGS AT THE VICTIMS HOUSE WINDOWS WHICH HAS DRIED OVERNIGHT AND HAS REQUIRED SPECIALIST CLEANING IN ORDER TO REMOVE IT.
Ward	Reference	Offence Type	Reported Date	Committed From	Street	Town	MO
Thorpe	42/135750/19	Distraction Burglary - Residential - Dwelling	23/08/2019 14:43	23/08/2019 00:00	Woodgrange Drive	Southend-on-Sea	SUSPECTS UNKNOWN HAVE CARRIED OUT WORK ON GUTTERING AT VICTIMS PROPERTY.

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West Shoebury	42/133030/19	Interferenc e with a motor vehicle	18/08/2019 21:05	18/08/2019 21:00	Delaware Road	Southend-on- Sea	SUSPECTS UNIDENTIFI ED HAVE INTERFERE D WITH A LOCK COVERING ON THE VICTIMS FORD .

**5) Here is a brief summary of the crime information for Southend-on-Sea for the past two months:**

	June 2019	July 2019
All crime	289	328
Anti-social behaviour	57	74
Bicycle theft	6	3
Burglary	23	10

	<b>June 2019</b>	<b>July 2019</b>
Criminal damage and arson	21	21
Drugs	3	2
Other crime	5	4
Other theft	20	12
Possession of weapons	0	2
Public order	21	30
Robbery	3	6
Shoplifting	4	15
Theft from the person	0	3
Vehicle crime	20	22
Violence and sexual offences	106	124

