

# BERA E-NEWSLETTER 30th May 2019 – [www.bera.co.uk](http://www.bera.co.uk)

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## Reminders:

**New** Which subscription logon details: Email or Username: burgesestate  
Password: BERA2019  
“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 20<sup>th</sup> June 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 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month). Please come along for free tea/coffee and biscuits. 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. **Covenants** - Reminder to all residents and members living on the Burges Estate.

It has been brought to our attention that some new residents, who have recently moved in to the area, may not be fully aware of the absolute covenants that apply to their properties. There may be a few homes in the area that these covenants may not apply to, but I would stress that this is only the minority, where freeholds may have been bought out before 1920. When the Committee fought the estate freeholder to remove the restrictive covenants, residents on the Burges Estate agreed to maintain, in their deeds, the absolute covenants which protect our area from being over-developed as we have seen in other parts of Southend. Please see below, as a gentle reminder, the list of absolute covenants that will apply to your property. If you have any doubt, please refer back to your house deeds.

1. Not to use or occupy the Property or permit the same to be used or occupied for any purpose whatsoever other than as a single private dwelling house and

the usual outbuildings belonging thereto and as an office used by the Owner for his or her business or profession;

2. Not at any time to exercise or carry on upon any part of the Property any business or trade or manufacture of any kind save as permitted in paragraph 1 above;
3. Not to do or suffer to be done in or upon the Property any act or thing which may be or become a nuisance or damage to Thorpe Estate and/or its tenants and/or the occupiers of adjoining properties, the Retained Land or the neighbourhood;
4. Not to park or to permit to be parked upon the Property any commercial vehicle boat caravan high sided vehicle or trailer for a period exceeding 24 hours at any one time except in any garage now or to be erected on any part of the Property or on that part of the Property which is not at the rear of the dwelling house;
5. To maintain to the satisfaction of Thorpe Estate or its successors in title proper and satisfactory boundary walls or fences on the side of the Property and where the letter "T" appears on the plan within the red edging (if any);
6. To keep the garden and grounds of the Property in good order and where appropriate neatly cultivated and free from noxious weeds;
7. At all times to contribute a fair and proper share towards the cost and expense of maintaining cleaning repairing securing and replacing all party and other walls fences sewers drains gutters watercourses and easements used or capable of being used in common by occupiers of the Property with the occupiers of the adjoining or neighbouring properties or lands.

## 2. Southend NHW Data (20th to 26th May 2019)

Ward	Reference	Offence Type	Reported Date	Committed From	Street	Town	MO
Southchurch	42/78802/19	Other criminal damage to a vehicle (Under £5,000)	20/05/2019 14:12	19/05/2019 23:30	Lloyd Wise Close	Southend-on-Sea	SUSPECT UNKNOWN HAS CAUSED DAMAGED TO THE VICTIMS VEHICLE, A YELLOW SKODA FABIA, BY USING A SHARP INSTRUMENT TO SCRATCH THE OFFSIDE REAR DOOR.
Southchurch	42/79333/19	Theft if not classified elsewhere	21/05/2019 12:51	20/05/2019 00:00	Petworth Gardens	Southend-on-Sea	SUSPECTS UNIDENTIFIED HAVE GAINED ENTRY TO VICTIMS GARDEN BY DAMAGING THE GATE AND REMOVED THE VICTIMS PROPERTY FROM HER GARDEN.
Southchurch	42/80013/19	Other criminal damage, other (Under £5,000)	22/05/2019 11:41	21/05/2019 00:00	Surbiton Avenue	Southend-on-Sea	SUSPECTS UNKNOWN CAUSED DAMAGE TO THE LIFT BY PULLING OUT A PANEL AND CUTTING A WIRE CAUSING A PROBLEM WITH THE LIFT WHICH WILL SHOW THE

LIFT MOVING  
WHEN CALLED BUT  
DOES NOT ARRIVE  
AT THE FLOOR.

Southchurch	42/81052/19	Theft if not classified elsewhere	24/05/2019 12:01	23/05/2019 21:45	Whittingham Avenue	Southend-on-Sea	SUSPECTS UNKNOWN HAVE REMOVED VICTIMS PURSE THAT FELL OUT OF HER HOODY POCKET AND HAVE TRIED TO USE HER BANK CARD FOR AN ON LINE PURCHASE. SHE HAS BEEN ALERTED BY HER BANK AND CANCELLED HER CARDS.
Southchurch	42/81201/19	Theft if not classified elsewhere	24/05/2019 15:22	24/05/2019 01:00	Vallance Close	Southend-on-Sea	SUSPECTS NAMED HAVE REMOVED INSECURE STUNT SCOOTER FROM REAR GARDEN OF LOCATION.
Southchurch	42/80903/19	Theft from a motor vehicle	24/05/2019 04:10	24/05/2019 00:00	Thurston Avenue	Southend-on-Sea	SUSPECT UNKNOWN HAS GAINED ENTRY BY UNKNOWN MEANS TO THE VICTIMS WHITE FORD KUGA WHICH HAD BEEN LEFT SECURE AND UNATTENDED ON THE VICTIMS FRONT DRIVEWAY. SATNAV WALLET, VARIOUS CARDS AND CASH STOLEN FROM THE CENTRE

CONSUL. NO  
DAMAGE.

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Thorpe	42/79789/19	Burglary - Business And Community	22/05/2019 08:59	21/05/2019 19:30	The Broadway	Southend-on-Sea	SUSPECTS UNKNOWN HAVE FORCED THE WOODEN DOOR OPEN AND HAVE STOLEN THE CASH DRAW FROM THE TILL WHICH CONTAINED A 40 POUND FLOAT AND 17 POUND CASH.
Thorpe	42/81738/19	Burglary - Residential - Dwelling	25/05/2019 13:30	24/05/2019 19:00	Dungannon Drive	Southend-on-Sea	SUSPECT UNKNOWN HAS GAINED ENTRY TO THE PROPERTY BY UNKNOWN MEANS AND STOLEN THE VICTIMS WALLET FROM THE DINING ROOM TABLE.
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West Shoebury	42/78590/19	Interference with a motor vehicle	19/05/2019 20:40	19/05/2019 00:00	Delaware Road	Southend-on-Sea	SUSPECTS UNKNOWN HAVE SMASHED THE REAR WINDOW OF THE VICTIMS FORD GALAXY BY MEANS UNKNOWN.
West Shoebury	42/78828/19	Other criminal damage, other (Under £5,000)	20/05/2019 14:37	18/05/2019 14:30	Jena Close	Southend-on-Sea	SUSPECTS UNKNOWN HAVE BY MEANS

UNKNOWN  
SMASHED THE  
PLATFORM ON  
THE CHILDRENS  
SLIDE AND BENT  
THE METAL  
BRACKETS OUT OF  
SHAPE RENDERING  
THE SLIDE  
DANGEROUS TO  
USERS.

West Shoebury	42/79846/19	Theft from the person of another	20/05/2019 17:08	14/05/2019 00:00	Maya Close	Southend-on-Sea	SUSPECT HAS STOLEN £70 FROM HER BROTHER WHICH HE HAD SAVED TO VISIT LONDON.
West Shoebury	42/79854/19	Other criminal damage, other (Under £5,000)	20/05/2019 17:08	14/05/2019 00:00	Maya Close	Southend-on-Sea	SUSPECT HAS TAKEN HIS SISTERS ELECTRONIC TABLET AND SMASHED IT ON THE CONCRETE AND DAMAGED IT.
West Shoebury	42/79799/19	Other criminal damage to a dwelling (Under £5,000)	22/05/2019 09:20	21/05/2019 11:00	West Road	Southend-on-Sea	SUSPECT UNKNOWN HAS CAUSED DAMAGE TO VICTIMS DWELLING BY SMASHING THE FRONT PANEL IN VICTIMS FRONT DOOR, USING A LAWN MOWER.

### **3. Crimes in area**

We are hearing from BERA members about crimes taking place locally such as car thefts, burglaries, anti-social behaviour etc. We all need to be aware that this is going on and call 999 when we see anything suspicious, especially if crimes are taking place, or 101 to report a crime.

Also operating locally we seem to have doorstep salesmen knocking on houses asking to carry out work on properties (eg roof repairs, garden work, tarmac work, jet spraying driveways) as they charge extortionate prices for sub-standard work. Always get recommendations from friends and neighbours.

### **4. Kent Elms Footbridge**

The footbridge supplier completed the installation of the new footbridge at Kent Elms as planned.

Works will continue for the next few weeks during the day and will include finishing touches to the footbridge, such as grouting the base bolts, installing the handrails, installing bicycle rails and decking to the bottom of the ramps.

Off peak lane closures in both Southend bound and London bound directions will be required to finalise the installation the footbridge drainage.

### **5. Watering of Trees and Shrubs**

BERA have paid and arranged for the council to plant trees and shrubs at various places around the area and it would be wonderful if members could keep an eye on them and give them a water during dry spells so that they stay healthy. It would be a shame if the young plants didn't flourish.

### **6. Lighting Columns**

We have been asked by members whether or not increased lighting columns can be put in various places. We have now got confirmation that extensive surveys will be carried out, and subject to the financial implications of the council, they have agreed with me that a 2-year programme will take place to implement the new columns.