

BERA E-NEWSLETTER 5th September 2019 – www.bera.co.uk
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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.

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

Housing crisis: What next for the elderly?

An investigation by ITV explores the issue of the lack of homes suitable for our growing ageing population. It said not enough councils are promoting the Disabilities Facilities Grant available for home adaptations. Councils work hard to provide housing adaptations and said every £1 spent is worth more than £2 in care savings and quality of life gains. It said the DFG needs to be fully funded so councils can meet growing demand.

Blue Badges

A study by Confused.com suggests there is one council-operated parking bay per 30 existing Blue Badge owners. From 30th August 2019, today people with “hidden” disabilities will be able to access a Blue Badge with campaigners warning about a rise in fraud. Theft of Blue Badges under the existing scheme has risen by 45 per cent in the past year.

No-deal Brexit: Flu vaccine delays 'likely'

Doctors and NHS bosses have warned that a no-deal Brexit would make it “likely” there will be a delay in flu vaccine supply this year. The Government says it has “robust contingency” plans in place.

Playground closures ‘contributing to obesity epidemic’

The closure of playgrounds is contributing to the UK’s child obesity epidemics, experts have warned. Research by the Association of Play Industries shows that 72 per cent of parents of children with health issues feel the lack of outdoor play facilities has contributed to health problems, with more than 20 per cent of children age 10 and 11 in England obese. Since 2014 local authorities have been forced to close 347 playgrounds in England, amid cuts to funding.

Mayors call for fund to clean city air

Mayors of 14 cities with illegal levels of pollution are calling for a £1.5 billion clean air fund to get polluting vehicles off their roads. UK100, an umbrella group for mayors of cities, commissioned a report that found that investing in clean air zones and compensating drivers on low pay for scrapping vehicles would deliver £6.5 billion of benefits, including improved health and reduced congestion.

Pharmacies to offer heart checkups in new NHS England scheme

Heart checkups are to be offered at high street pharmacies from October under new plans from NHS England, as part of a programme which aims to prevent tens of thousands of heart attacks and strokes over the next decade. General practices will also join the fight against common conditions that lead to cardiovascular disease, working in specialist teams with pharmacists.

UK training record number of mental health first aiders

Britain is training a record number of workplace “mental health first aiders” to confront a sharp rise in people expressing mental distress, though evidence of success is mixed, according to a Guardian study. A national training body, Mental Health First Aid England, said 140,000 people were trained in 2018-19 – the most ever in a single year, from local hairdressers to employees in global corporations.

Westminster and Sheffield trial upcycled electric bin lorries

Electric bin lorries powered by energy from the household rubbish they collect are being piloted in Sheffield and Westminster, in what the councils say is a world first for local authorities. Converting one diesel powered lorry to an electric version is reportedly equivalent to taking 30 diesel-powered cars off the streets.

Tree planting in UK ‘should be doubled’

Significant rises in tree planting in the UK “need to happen quickly” if other targets to cut carbon are not met, government advisers have warned. The Committee on Climate Change recommends 30,000 hectares of woodlands should be planted yearly.

2) Autumn Flower And Homecraft Show – Saturday 14th September 2019

Thorpe Bay Horticultural Society will be holding its Autumn Flower and Homecraft show on Saturday 14th September at St. Augustine’s Church Hall. Doors open at 2.15 p.m. Admission 50p, members free. Exhibits, bric a brac table, book and plant stalls, refreshments and auction.

3) Tree Planting for Residents

If any BERA member would like a tree planted outside their house, could you please let us know so that we can arrange this for you.

4) South Essex Cycling Campaign Rolls Into Action – 6th September 2019 – Anglian Ruskin University Chelmsford

ForwardMotion is launching its 'This Is What A Cyclist Looks Like' campaign, which aims to challenge people's perceptions of what a 'real' cyclist looks like and encourage more people to start travelling by bike around south Essex. The campaign will be officially launched at the Cycle County Active County event.

Some people can be put off cycling because they associate it with extreme fitness and body-hugging Lycra. In response, the 'This Is What A Cyclist Looks Like' campaign will display photos and videos of local cyclists that show a range of outfits that real people wear to cycle to work, places of education or training opportunities. The images and video footage will be shown first at the Cycle County Active County event, and then at various locations across south Essex.

The aim of this campaign is to get more people comfortable with the idea of using a bike as their primary mode of transport. However, ForwardMotion know that cycling is just one way people can travel more healthily, which is why it also helps get more people walking and using public transport.

5) Major Works – A127 & Other Routes

Address 1	Start	End	Works Reference	Works Typ	L.A.Ref	Traffic Management
Baltic Avenue	22/07/19	09/09/19	AZ007-1000756496 – Cadent Gas - connection permit relating to mains replacement in York Road.	MAJOR	89325	Some carriageway incursion / Delays unlikely.
Waterford Road	06/09/19	17/10/19	AZ007-1000803069 – Cadent Gas - permit for storage facilities in relation to mains replacement in Waterford Road. MAJOR 93686	MAJOR	93686	Footway closure / give and take / Delays unlikely.
York Road	07/05/19	09/09/19	AZ007-1000803790 – Cadent Gas - mains replacement in the carriageway & footway, from outside 51 to 69 and 91 - 143.	MAJOR	93756	Road closure – Delays likely.
Chinchilla Road	30/08/19	26/09/19	AZ007-1000830509 – Cadent Gas - mains Replacement works to abandon 450M of iron main & replace 26 services.	MAJOR	96862	Road closure – Delays likely.
Ulster Avenue	05/08/19	20/09/19	AZ007-1000830869 – Cadent Gas - mains replacement works to abandon 400M of iron main & replace 59	MAJOR	96935	Some carriageway incursion / Delays unlikely.

services

Leitrim Avenue	26/07/19	09/09/19	AZ007-1000830963 - Cadent Gas – mains replacement works to abandon 210M of iron main and replace 20 services.	MAJOR	96933	Some carriageway incursion / Delays unlikely.
Hamstel Road	29/07/19	22/10/19	AZ007-1000832219 - Cadent Gas - mains replacement works to abandon 830M of iron main and replace 140 services.	MAJOR	97057	Road closure / Delays likely.
Stornoway Road	06/09/19	26/09/19	AZ007-1000833558 - Cadent Gas - connection permit relating to mains replacement in Hamstel Road.	MAJOR	97185	Road closure / Delays likely.
Trinity Road	06/09/19	26/09/19	AZ007-1000833582 - Cadent Gas - connection permit relating to mains replacement in Hamstel Road.	MAJOR	97176	Road closure/ Delays likely.
Waterford Road	06/09/19	23/10/19	AZ007-1000834976 - Cadent Gas - mains replacement to abandon 535M of iron main and replace 35 services.	MAJOR	97308	Multiway signals – Delays possible.
North Avenue	27/08/19	24/09/19	AZ007-1000836194 - Cadent Gas - lay new service to property and reinstate. MAJOR 97418	MAJOR	97418	Some carriageway incursion / Delays unlikely.
Merryfield Approach	02/08/19	29/09/19	AZ007-1000846105 - Cadent	MAJOR	98421	Footway closure / Multiway

			Gas - mains replacement works to abandon 345M of iron main and replace 52 services.			signals – Delays possible.
Leigh View Drive	02/08/19	29/09/19	AZ007-1000846108 - Cadent Gas - mains replacement works to abandon 125M of iron main and replace 40 services.	MAJOR	98426	Footway closure / Multiway signals – Delays possible.
Picketts Avenue	02/08/19	11/10/19	AZ007-1000846172 - Permit for the use of welfare unit in relation to mains replacement works in Merryfield Approach.	MAJOR	98429	Some carriageway incursion / Delays unlikely.
Avondale Drive	27/08/19	17/09/19	AZ007-1000846297 - Cadent Gas - mains replacement works to abandon 200M of iron main and replace services.	MAJOR	98438	Footway closure / some carriageway incursion / Delays unlikely.
Essex Gardens	02/08/19	17/12/19	AZ007-1000850308 - Cadent Gas - Permit for the use of storage facilities and spoil in relation to mains replacement in Leigh View Drive.	MAJOR	98834	Some carriageway incursion / Delays unlikely.
Riviera Drive	30/08/19	26/09/19	AZ007-1000850801 - Cadent Gas - Permit for the use of storage facilities and spoil in relation to mains replacement in Chinchilla Road.	MAJOR	98926	Footway closure / some carriageway incursion / Delays unlikely.
Carlton Avenue	27/08/19	18/09/19	AZ007-1000853539 - Cadent	MAJOR	99176	Multiway signals – Delays

			Gas - mains replacement works to abandon 135M of iron main and replace 23 services.			possible.
Lancaster Gardens	02/09/19	18/10/19	AZ007-1000860177 - Cadent Gas - major diameter mains replacement works to abandon 199M of iron main and replace 18 services.	MAJOR	100025	Give and take – Delays unlikely.
Hastings Road	02/09/19	27/09/19	AZ007-1000861242 - Cadent Gas - major diameter mains replacement works - extention of mains replacement in Lancaster Gardens.	MAJOR	100144	Give and take – Delays unlikely.
Ferndale Road	09/09/19	27/09/19	EN013-172270 - Essex & Suffolk Water - Trial Hole to investigate material and condition in footway.	MAJOR	74905	Footway closure / Give and take / Delays unlikely.
Selwyn Road	14/08/19	17/09/19	EN013-172301 - Renewal of lead pipe services in footway and carriageway.	MAJOR	74943	Footway closure / Give and take / Delays unlikely.

6) South East Essex Organic Gardeners would love you to join them at their next meeting on Monday 16 September at Growing Together Westcliff at 20:00:

Darren started Modern Mint in 2014 as a place for him to meet clients who share his fascination with gardens, pruning and wildlife. His topiary work has been seen in the Guardian, Country Living Magazine and on Channel 4. <https://modernmint.co.uk/>



Discussion on 'no dig gardening' facilitated by Darren Lerigo

Monday, 16 September 8 pm

Growing Together Westcliff

47 Fairfax Drive, Southend SS0 9AG

(corner of Fairfax Drive and Prittlewell Chase)

Non-Members £2

You can join SEEOG for only £8 per annum, £12 family

For further details, contact Carole Shorney 01702 201914

www.seeog.org

7) List Of Applications Registered Week Ending 30 AUGUST 2019

APPLN. NO: 19/01588/FULH Ward. **Southchurch**
Officer: Scott Davison Date Valid. 22 August 2019 Area BORO
ERECT SINGLE STOREY SIDE AND REAR EXTENSION, ALTER ELEVATIONS
126 SHOEBURY ROAD THORPE BAY ESSEX

APPLN. NO: 19/01566/FUL Ward. **Southchurch**
Officer: Abbie Greenwood Date Valid. 23 August 2019 Area BORO
ERECT FIRST FLOOR REAR EXTENSION AND REPLACE EXISTING DORMERS TO REAR TO FORM ROOF
EXTENSION (AMENDED PROPOSAL)
183 HAMSTEL ROAD SOUTHEND-ON-SEA ESSEX

APPLN. NO: 19/01568/FULH Ward. **Thorpe**
Officer: Peter Lang Date Valid. 28 August 2019 Area BORO
PROPOSED SINGLE STOREY REAR EXTENSION
97 WYATTS DRIVE THORPE BAY ESSEX

APPLN. NO: 19/01574/CLP Ward. **Thorpe**
Officer: Hayley Thompson Date Valid. 27 August 2019 Area BORO
DORMER TO REAR WITH JULIETTE BALCONY TO FORM HABITABLE ACCOMMODATION IN ROOFSpace,
INSTALL ROOFLIGHTS TO FRONT (LAWFUL DEVELOPMENT CERTIFICATE-PROPOSED)
13 CHELSEA AVENUE SOUTHEND-ON-SEA ESSEX

APPLN. NO: 19/01561/GPDE Ward. **Southchurch**
Officer: Oliver Hart Date Valid. 21 August 2019 Area BORO
ERECT SINGLE STOREY REAR EXTENSION, PROJECTING 3.5M BEYOND THE EXISTING REAR WALL OF THE
DWELLING, 2.525M HIGH TO EAVES AND WITH A MAXIMUM HEIGHT OF 3.5M.
6 LITTLE THORPE THORPE BAY ESSEX

8) Southend NHW Data 26th August – 1st September 2019

Ward	Reference	Offence Type	Reported Date	Committed From	Street	Town	MO
Southchurch	42/136769/19	Theft from a motor vehicle	23/08/2019 22:13	22/08/2019 00:00	Sackville Road	Southend-on-Sea	SUSPECT UNKNOWN GAINED ENTRY TO VICTIMS BRONZE RENAULT BY UNKNOWN MEANS CAUSING NO DAMAGE. MESSY SEARCH, PROPERTY REMOVED FROM WITHIN.
Southchurch	42/137175/19	Other criminal damage to a vehicle (Under £5,000)	27/08/2019 09:17	26/08/2019 20:45	Whittingham Avenue	Southend-on-Sea	SUSPECT UNKNOWN HAS CAUSED DAMAGE TO THE

VICTIMS
BLUE SEAT
IBIZA BY
MEANS OF
USING AN
UNKNOWN
IMPLEMENT
TO CAUSE
DEEP
CUTS,
WHICH RUN
DOWN
BOTH
SIDES OF
THE
VEHCILE
FROM
FRONT TO
BACK AND
ACROSS
THE
BONNET.

Southchurch	42/138070/1 9	Theft if not classified elsewhere	27/08/2019 09:06	26/08/2019 01:00	Archer Avenue	Southend- on-Sea	SUSPECT UNIDENTIFI ED HAS REMOVED THE VICTIMS PHONE FROM A TAXI.
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Southchurch	42/138833/1 9	Burglary - Business And Community	30/08/2019 02:06	30/08/2019 00:00	Hamstel Road	Southend- on-Sea	SUSPECTS UNKNOWN HAVE GAINED ACCESS TO THE VICTIMS PREMISES BY FORCING THE FRONT DOOR AND THEN REMOVED A SELECTION OF ITEMS FROM WITHIN.
Southchurch	42/140055/1 9	Theft if not classified elsewhere	31/08/2019 18:38	31/08/2019 18:30	Whittingham Avenue	Southend- on-Sea	SUSPECTS UNKNOWN HAVE STOLEN THE VICTIMS MOBILE PHONE AFTER IT WAS LEFT ON THE

HALFPIPE
WHILE THE
VICTIM
WAS IN THE
PARK.

Southchurch	42/140121/1 9	Other criminal damage, other (Under £5,000)	28/08/2019 13:41	28/07/2019 15:30	Dalmatia Road	Southend- on-Sea	SUSPECT UNIDENTIFI ED HAS CAUSED DAMAGE TO VICTIMS GATE AND ENTERED HER GARDEN BY MEANS UNKNOWN.
Southchurch	42/140037/1 9	Theft if not classified elsewhere	31/08/2019 18:38	31/07/2019 18:30	Whittingham Avenue	Southend- on-Sea	SUSPECTS UNKNOWN HAVE STOLEN THE VICTIMS MOBILE PHONE AFTER IT WAS LEFT ON THE HALFPIPE WHILE THE

VICTIM
WAS IN THE
PARK.

Ward	Reference	Offence Type	Reported Date	Committed From	Street	Town	MO
Thorpe	42/138792/19	Theft if not classified elsewhere	29/08/2019 23:22	29/08/2019 12:00	Northumberla nd Crescent	Southend- on-Sea	SUSPECT UNKNOWN HAS FOUND VICTIMS PHONE ON THE BENCH AND STOLEN IT AFTER VICTIM LEFT IT BEHIND.
Ward	Reference	Offence Type	Reported Date	Committed From	Street	Town	MO
West Shoebury	42/137014/19	Attempted Burglary - Residential - Dwelling	24/08/2019 16:11	24/08/2019 14:00	Caulfield Road	Southend- on-Sea	SUSPECT UNIDENTIFI ED HAS USED A SHOVEL TO WEDGE OPEN THE DOOR IN AN ATTEMPT TO GAIN ENTRY TO

VICTIMS
PROPERTY.

West Shoebury	42/137836/19	Theft of a motor vehicle	28/08/2019 11:18	23/08/2019 16:00	Elm Road	Shoeburyne ss	SUSPECTS UNKNOWN BY MEANS UNKNOWN HAVE STOLEN VICTIMS WHITE PEUGEOT BOXER VAN INDEX NUMBER AK14 LNE.
West Shoebury	42/140240/19	Other criminal damage to a vehicle (Under £5,000)	28/08/2019 23:01	27/08/2019 23:55	St. Andrews Road	Southend- on-Sea	SUSPECT UNKNOWN HAS DAMAGED A TYRE ON A WHITE PEUGEOT 3008 BY MEANS UNKNOWN.

9) Train Stations To Lose Permanent Security Guards

Permanent night-time security guards are being removed from some Southend borough train stations raising fears among passengers.

C2C has decided to increase the number of guards at Southend Central but Southend East and Thorpe Bay stations will be among those who will lose permanent cover and be served by a mobile unit instead.

At the moment there are guards at each station to cover the gate lines but C2C claim they will have “enhanced security responsibilities” covering more than one station. C2C will still have the same number of guards but with a greater presence at the biggest station.

A spokesman for C2C said: ““We’re adjusting the way we deploy our late-night agency staff from September. This includes basing more late-night security staff at Southend Central, given it is the busiest late-night station, and introducing a mobile security team who will cover Southend East and Thorpe Bay stations after the ticket offices close for the day. Customers who need assistance will be able to speak to a member of our staff in our control centre by using our platform help points. All our stations will be monitored by staff in our 24/7 CCTV centre.”

10) Traffic Restriction - Leigh Regatta Event – 15th September 2019

There will be a traffic restriction on **THE HIGH STREET, BELTON BRIDGE & THE STRAND LEIGH-ON-SEA.**

Whilst the closure/prohibitions are in place, no person may cause any vehicle to **ENTER, WAIT LOAD OR UNLOAD**, on the section of road detailed in the schedules below:.

The restrictions/prohibitions specified in this notice will apply only during such times and to such extent as indicated by traffic signs.

Any vehicle waiting in contravention of any restriction imposed by the Notice may be issued with a penalty charge notice and removed

SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 1 - Road Closures NAME OF ROAD	EXTENT AFFECTED	DURATION OF CLOSURE
High Street Leigh-on-Sea	from The Crooked Billet Public House to its eastern extremity	08:00 Hrs to 12 midnight
Belton Bridge	Eastbound direction only	08:00 Hrs to 12 midnight
The Strand	High Street to the seawall	08:00 Hrs to 12 midnight

11) City Beach Fountain Maintenance - Scheduled for Wednesday 2nd October

The works will commence the night before, with draining the tanks as much as possible.

Works on the day will commence at 7am, and the fountain will be **out of use for the whole day**.