

BERA E-NEWSLETTER 9th May 2019 – www.bera.co.uk
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Reminders:

**THE WHICH PASSWORD HAS NOW BEEN CHANGED.
PLEASE SEE NEW DETAILS BELOW.**

New Which subscription logon details: Email or Username: burgeseestate
Password: BERA2019

We have paid for an extra subscription to Which Garden which hopefully you will also find useful. 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 16th May 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. 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. Follow up to a nuisance call warning from a BERA member

A member kindly got in touch to advise us that if you have BT Call Protect and receive a nuisance call you should do the following:

Hang up the phone, dial **1572** (free from your home phone) and follow the simple instructions to add it to your Personal blacklist. You can manage your settings and personal blacklist at bt.com/btcallprotect, where you log in using your BT ID.

2. Potential break in locally

A member has advised that they returned home and disturbed someone trying to break into their house at the rear, via the French doors, but arrived in time to scare them off. We all need to make sure our homes are secure at all times, even if we pop out for a few minutes, and keep an eye on our neighbours homes, especially if we know they are away. Working together we can try and help prevent crimes locally and we should report any crimes or suspicious incidents we see to the police, so that they are aware of the level of crime. In an emergency always dial 999 - when someone is in danger, a crime is in progress or a suspect is nearby. **101** is the national phone **number** to contact your local police, any time it isn't 999. **101** is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Alternatively you can report crime online using the following link www.essex.police.uk/do-it-online/report-a-crime.

3. Southend NHW Crime Data (29th April to 5th May 2019)

Ward	Reference	Offence Type	Reported Date	Committed From	Street	Town	MO
Southchurch	42/66807/19	Attempted Burglary - Residential - Dwelling	29/04/2019 14:47	27/04/2019 00:00	Newington Avenue	Southend-on-Sea	SUSPECTS UNKNOWN HAVE ATTEMPTED TO GAIN ENTRY INTO THE VICTIMS PROPERTY VIA THE FRONT PVC DOOR BY MEANS UNKNOWN CAUSING DAMAGE. VICTIM STATES THERE IS A MASSIVE GAP ON THE TOP AND BOTTOM OF THE DOOR WHERE THE SEALS ARE AND THE DOOR IS HARDER TO LOCK.
Southchurch	42/68011/19	Other criminal damage to a dwelling (Under £5,000)	01/05/2019 14:40	01/05/2019 14:40	Southchurch Rectory Chase	Southend-on-Sea	SUSPECT UNIDENTIFIED WHO IS A FRIEND OF THE VICTIM HAS BEEN ALLOWED ENTRY TO THE VICTIMS PROPERTY. ONCE INSIDE THE SUSPECT HAS CAUSED DAMAGE TO THE PROPERTY BEFORE LEAVING.
Southchurch	42/68614/19	Theft of a motor vehicle	02/05/2019 19:04	01/05/2019 21:30	Samuels Drive	Southend-on-Sea	SUSPECT UNKNOWN REMOVED THE VICTIMS LAND ROVER DISCOVERY

HSE SDV6 AUTO,
COLOUR SILVER,
INDEX GJ11HGY,
BY MEANS
UNKNOWN. THE
VICTIM RETAINED
ALL SETS OF KEYS
FOR THE VEHICLE.

Southchurch	42/69441/19	Theft if not classified elsewhere	30/04/2019 20:31	30/04/2019 00:00	Pilgrims Close	Southend-on-Sea	SUSPECTS UNIDENTIFIED HAVE BEEN REPORTED TO HAVE CAUSED DAMAGE TO THE CHURCH YARD AND STOLEN STEEL RODS.
Ward	Reference	Offence Type	Reported Date	Committed From	Street	Town	MO
Thorpe	42/68041/19	Theft from a motor vehicle	01/05/2019 17:15	30/04/2019 00:00	Eastern Esplanade	Southend-on-Sea	SUSPECT UNKNOWN HAS STOLEN THE BLUE BADGE OUT OF THE VICTIMS CAR AT THE LOCATION WHEN THE BADGE WAS ON DISPLAY ON THE DASHBOARD.
Thorpe	42/69545/19	Burglary - Business And Community	04/05/2019 12:04	03/05/2019 16:00	Northumberland Crescent	Southend-on-Sea	SUSPECT UNKNOWN HAS GAINED ENTRY TO SECURE GARAGE BY USING AN ANGLE GRINDER TO REMOVE PADLOCK AND SECURE BAR.

SUSPECT HAS HAD A TIDY SEARCH, REMOVED A BLACK CUSHAMN 4 WHEELED, INDEX UNKNOWN. SUSPECT ALSO GAINED ENTRY TO A CONTAINER BY FORCING OFF THE PADLOCK AND REMOVED PROPERTY FROM WITHIN.

Thorpe

42/70450/19

Burglary - Business
And Community

05/05/2019 20:01

04/05/2019 23:00

Shaftesbury
Avenue

Southend-on-Sea

SUSPECT UNKNOWN HAS GAINED ENTRY TO THE LOCATION THROUGH THE CHANGING ROOM DOORS WHICH WERE LEFT OPEN. THE SUSPECT HAS THEN BROKEN THROUGH SEVERAL DOORS TO GET TO THE BAR. THE SUSPECTS HAVE REMOVED THE TILL WHICH CONTAINED 250 TO 300 POUNDS CASH, A SMALL CODED SAFE WHICH CONTAINED 10 POUNDS, 1.5 LITRES OF VODKA, 4 BOTTLES OF SPIRITS, A BOTTLE OF SOUTHERN COMFORT AND

ALL OF THE CRISPS
AND CHOCOLATE.

Ward	Reference	Offence Type	Reported Date	Committed From	Street	Town	MO
West Shoebury	42/67403/19	Theft if not classified elsewhere	30/04/2019 15:45	28/04/2019 10:00	Blyth Avenue	Southend-on-Sea	SUSPECTS UNKNOWN BY MEANS UNKNOWN HAVE STOLEN ITEM LEFT ON GRASS VERGE WHILST VICTIM WAS CLEANING OUT HIS VAN.
West Shoebury	42/67142/19	Other criminal damage, other (Under £5,000)	30/04/2019 08:54	28/04/2019 21:00	West Road	Southend-on-Sea	SUSPECTS UNKNOWN HAVE THROWN CREAM PAINT OVER THE VICTIMS GARAGE AND SEVERAL OTHER GARAGES AND CONTAINERS IN THE AREA.
West Shoebury	42/68209/19	Theft of a motor vehicle	02/05/2019 02:51	02/05/2019 01:30	Pentland Avenue	Southend-on-Sea	SUSPECTS UNIDENTIFIED REMOVED KTM 125 MOTORCYCLE INDEX LD16ERU FROM DRIVEWAY.
West Shoebury	42/70247/19	Burglary - Business And Community	05/05/2019 14:06	04/05/2019 16:00	Ness Road	Southend-on-Sea	SUSPECT UNKNOWN HAS BROKEN INTO THE PREMISES BY FORCING OPEN THE REAR DOOR

WITH A BLUNT
TOOL AND HAS
STOLEN SEVERAL
ITEMS FROM
INSIDE THE
PROPERTY.

4. Here is a brief summary of the crime information for the past two months for Southend-on-Sea:

	February 2019	March 2019
All crime	274	306
Anti-social behaviour	55	62
Bicycle theft	3	0
Burglary	11	15
Criminal damage and arson	23	19
Drugs	11	9
Other crime	5	8
Other theft	12	20
Possession of weapons	1	2
Public order	12	20
Robbery	6	1
Shoplifting	12	5
Theft from the person	3	0
Vehicle crime	22	26
Violence and sexual offences	98	119

Please visit <https://www.police.uk/shape/xA0vx3/> for more information including outcomes for these crimes and contact information for your local policing team.

5. The next meeting of the Southend Tinnitus Support Group is on Thursday 16 May from 2pm to 4pm

Everyone is welcome and there will be a hearing loop available in the room.

The meeting is in Room 7, Southend Adult Community College, Ambleside Drive, Southend SS1 2UP and they ask for a £3 donation to cover room hire and refreshments (which are delivered to the room).

Colette Bunker from the British Tinnitus Association will be giving a talk.

6. Royal Artillery Way road closure Thursday 9th May-Friday 10th May

There is a large depression within Royal Artillery Way which requires repair. In order for this work to be carried out a road closure will be required as the depression affects both sides of the eastbound carriageway.

The works are planned to be carried out overnight with the closure being in operation Thursday 9th May 7.30pm till the early hours Friday morning. A diversion will be in place using appropriate traffic management during the closure to help minimise disruption as much as possible.

7. Kent Elms

The works at Kent Elms are continuing. Our latest information is that the footbridge is being installed at night from 7th May to 17th May and the A127 will be closed from 7.30pm to 6.30am. Diversions will be in place via Progress Road-Rayleigh Road (access to properties and businesses will be maintained).

8. Drones

We were asked by members about drones flying in the area so we have asked the council to enquire what the situation is and this is the information as supplied.

The Civil Aviation Authority is tasked with overseeing and enforcing drone laws. The link below provides guidance:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/drones-are-you-flying-yours-safely-and-legally>