



**BERA E-Newsletter 24th September
2020**

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Dear Member

Please see this weeks E-Newsletter with information that it happening in and around our area, along with other news.

Keep well,

Regards

Ron

Reminders:

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.

1) Information Corner

Possible Scams

We have been contacted by members who has reported possible scams. Please see below:-

- **Amazon**

I report a scam phone call purporting to be from Amazon saying a suspicious order using my card had been made in the amount of £1500. I was asked to press 1 if it was an order from me or 2 if it wasn't. I hung up.

- **Job Centre**

The email says you can earn £250-£900 per week by signing up to the job centre helping people to find work/new career. You have to click on a link. The sender has no name, just a mix of letters and numbers.

- **Vaccines**

The email is all about vaccines. 'Sign up for a free vaccine'. 'Your reserved place in the queue for a vaccine is about to expire'. 'Your previous vaccine will no longer provide protection'. Each time they ask you to open a link to get/renew your vaccine. Again the sender's address is a jumble of letters, no name or company.

Views sought for local transport plan

Local people are being asked to give their views on the future of transport in Southend.

An online consultation has been launched as the council looks to hear local views on what modes of transport they use, the impact of climate change on transport, what impact different modes of transport have on the local economy, planned growth in transport for the coming years and also the impact of Covid-19 on transport modes.

The responses will feed into the council's interim transport strategy: a key council document which looks at travel habits and sets out key ambitions of what transport will look like in Southend by 2050. The interim transport strategy will then influence the new Local Transport Plan, which the council is legally required to produce by 2022.

The cabinet member for transport, inward and capital investment, said: "These surveys play a key role in the work to create firstly the interim transport strategy, and later down the line, our new Local Transport Plan. These documents are essential when planning how we can improve transport across the borough for our residents".

'The surveys cover an array of topics around transport, including the impact of Covid-19 on travel patterns. So now more than ever, we need to harness a greater understanding of what people want to see with regards to transport across Southend. This is not just about roads and cars, this includes public transport, cycle lanes, walkways and much more".

'It is important to note that we need as much feedback as possible, so it is really important that residents take part in the surveys so we can ensure our approach suits the current and future needs of local people'.

The online consultation is live until Wednesday 28 October.

To view the consultation and to take part, please visit <https://yoursay.southend.gov.uk/transport-strategy>

2) Temporary Road Closures

- **High Street, Waking Road, Blackgate Road, Shoebury Avenue & Constable Way, Shoeburyness - 5th October 2020 - gas main replacement works**

The Effect of the order will be to prohibit any vehicle from;-

Phase 1

1. Proceeding on High Street from its junction with Elm Road to Gunners Road. This will be done in two phases.

1st phase is closed from Elm Road to Southchurch Avenue

2nd phase is closed from Southchurch Avenue to Gunners Road.

2. Exiting Shoebury Avenue into High Street at the junction

3. Entering Shoebury Avenue from its junction with the High Street

4. Banned right turn into High Street from Elm Road

5. Banned left turn from Blackgate Road into High Street

6. Suspend parking, waiting, loading & unloading on High Street from its junction with Elm Road to Gunners Road (The same phases as above)

Phase 2

7. Proceeding into Waking Road from High Street

8. Banned left turn from Elm Road into Waking Road

9. Banned right turn from Blackgate Road into Waking Road

10. Banned left turn from Constable Way into Waking Road

11. Suspend parking, waiting, loading & Unloading on Waking Road from its junction with Elm Road to outside No155.

The closure is scheduled to commence on **5th October 2020**.

The alternative route will be via

Phase 1;- Smith Street, Campfield Road, Ness Road, Elm Road vice versa

Phase2;- Elm Road, Ness Road, North Shoebury Road, Poynters Lane to Wakering Road &

vice versa.

The closure is required for the safety of the public and workforce whilst gas main replacement works take place.

- **Westbourne Grove, Westcliff-On-Sea – 21st September 2020 for 1 week – Emergency sewer repairs**

To facilitate emergency sewer repairs; they have imposed a prohibition of traffic, banned turns, parking, waiting, loading, unloading & suspension of one-way traffic.

All vehicles will be prohibited from:

1. Entering Westbourne from its junction with Prince Avenue to Prittlewell Chase
2. Banned left turn into Westbourne Grove from its junction with Carlton Avenue
3. Banned right turn into Westbourne Grove from its junction with Carlton Avenue
4. Suspension of resident parking, waiting, loading & Unloading outside

361 (4 BAYS) 350 (4 BAYS) 319 (2BAYS) 314 (2BAYS) 310 (2BAYS) & 302 (1 BAY)

This order will also;-

Suspend one-way traffic on Westbourne Grove from its Junction with Carlton Avenue & Prittlewell Chase.

Local traffic will be able to enter Westbourne Grove from its junction with Prittlewell Chase if residents live between Prittlewell Chase & O/S & Opp 305

These prohibitions or restrictions came into effect on 21st September 2020. It is anticipated that the works will last for 1 week.

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

- **Pentland Avenue, Shoeburyness – 22nd September 2020 for 1 week - Emergency Gas Repairs**

To facilitate emergency gas repairs: they have imposed a prohibition of entry in Pentland Avenue, Shoeburyness.

All vehicles will be prohibited from:

ENTERING PENTLAND AVENUE FROM ITS JUNCTION WITH CAULFIELD ROAD TO ITS JUNCTION WITH CHURCH ROAD

These prohibitions or restrictions came into effect on 22nd September 2020. It is anticipated that the works will last for 1 week.

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

3) Bell Junction - 18th Sept to 25th Sept

The footbridge demolition was planned for the weekend (Saturday night (19th) to Monday morning (21st)). To undertake the bridge demolition, and for the safe operation of the lifting crane (including removal of the bridge sections to offload), requires the crane to lift the bridge sections over the centre of the junction and towards Rochford Road and Hobbeythick Lane. During this operation, the A127 will be closed from Cuckoo Corner to Tesco Roundabout for both eastbound and westbound travel at night-time (20:00 to 06:30); and Hobbeythick Lane and Rochford Road, in close proximity to the junction, at night-time (20:00 to 06:30).

To remove the carriageway narrow lane road markings the A127 westbound carriageway will be closed between Cuckoo Corner and Tesco Roundabout, post footbridge removal in the early hours of Monday morning and before 06:30.

There will be northbound daytime (09:00 to 15:00) lane closures Monday to Friday on Hobbeythick Lane next week, for site clearance, in advance of carriageway widening works.

4) Essential Major Maintenance - 18th Sept to 25th Sept

Monday 21st Sept - Carriageway stabilisation works, drainage gully repairs and installations are being undertaken during night-time (20:00 to 06:30) eastbound road closures from Tesco Roundabout to The Bell Junction.

Tuesday 22nd Sept - Carriageway stabilisation works are being undertaken during night-time (20:00 to 06:30) eastbound road closures from the Tesco Roundabout to The Bell Junction; with drainage gully repairs and installations being undertaken during night-time (20:00 to 06:30) eastbound road closures from The Bell Junction to Cuckoo Corner Roundabout. The A127 eastbound narrow lane carriageway markings from the Borough Boundary to the Kent Elms Junction are to be removed during night-time (21:00 to 05:00) road closures from Rayleigh Weir to the Kent Elms Junction.

Wednesday 23rd Sept to Friday 25th Sept - Drainage gully repairs and installations being undertaken during night-time (20:00 to 06:30) eastbound lane closures from Rayleigh Weir to the Progress Road Junction.

5) List of Applications Registered Week Ending 18 September 2020

APPLN. NO: 20/01452/FULH

Ward. Thorpe

Officer: Kara Elliott

Date Valid. 7 September 2020

RAISE RIDGE HEIGHT AND FORM NEW ROOF WITH ROOF EXTENSIONS TO FRONT, SIDE AND REAR ELEVATIONS AND DORMERS TO FRONT AND REAR TO FORM HABITABLE ACCOMMODATION IN THE ROOF, ERECT PART SINGLE/PART TWO STOREY REAR EXTENSION WITH BALCONIES TO REAR, ERECT PART SINGLE/PART TWO STOREY FRONT AND SIDE EXTENSION, ALTERATIONS TO FRONT FACADE AND ALTER ELEVATIONS (AMENDED PROPOSAL)

132 BURGESS ROAD THORPE BAY ESSEX

APPLN. NO: 20/01469/FULH

Ward. Thorpe

Officer: Oliver Hart

Date Valid. 9 September 2020

ERECT HIPPED TO GABLE ROOF EXTENSION AND INSTALL DORMER TO REAR WITH JULIETTE BALCONY

139 ST AUGUSTINES AVENUE THORPE BAY ESSEX

6) List of Decisions Issued Week Ending 20/09/2020

APPLN. NO: 20/01455/ROT

Ward. Southchurch

Officer: Oliver Hart

INSTALL 3 ANTENNAS, REPLACE ONE CABINET, INSTALLATION OF ASSOCIATED ANCILLARY APPARATUS, ASSOCIATED ANCILLARY WORKS SOUTHEND HIGH SCHOOL FOR GIRLS SOUTHCHURCH BOULEVARD SOUTHEND-ONSEA

Decision: Telcom notice - Do not register

7) Southend NHW Crime Report - 14th - 20th September 2020

Ward

Southchurch

Reference

42/146780/20

Offence Type

Theft from a motor vehicle

Reported Date

14/09/2020 23:10

Committed From

14/09/2020 23:00

Street Town

Barnstaple Road, Southend-on-Sea

MO

SUSPECT HAS ENTERED VICTIMS WHITE RENAULT TRAFIC VAN WHERE THE VEHICLE HAS BEEN RANSACKED. SUSPECT LEFT AN IPOD CLASSIC IN DRIVERS SEAT.

Ward
Reference
Offence Type
Reported Date
Committed From
Street Town
MO

Southchurch
42/147103/20
Burglary - Residential - Dwelling
14/09/2020 - 11:24
01/05/2020 00:00
Sherwood Way, Southend-on-Sea
SUSPECT UNKNOWN HAS GAINED ENTRY TO THE VICTIMS FLAT AND STOLEN A MOBILE PHONE.

Ward
Reference
Offence Type
Reported Date
Committed From
Street Town
MO

Southchurch
42/149294/20
Theft from a motor vehicle
17/09/2020 14:58
16/09/2020 14:15
Appletree Close, Southend-on-Sea
SUSPECT UNKNOWN HAS GAINED ENTRY TO A SECURE GREY FORD FOCUS C-MAX BY MEANS UNKNOWN, NO DAMAGE CAUSED AND REMOVED ITEMS FROM INSIDE.

Ward
Reference
Offence Type
Reported Date
Committed From
Street Town
MO

Southchurch
42/150189/20
Other criminal damage, other (Under £5,000)
18/09/2020 19:47
18/09/2020 00:00
Southchurch Boulevard, Southend-on-Sea
SUSPECT HAS THROWN A SAFE FROM THE FIRST FLOOR OVER A BANNISTER CAUSING MINOR DAMAGE TO IT IN THE FORM OF A SMALL DENT.

Ward
Reference
Offence Type
Reported Date
Committed From
Street Town
MO

Thorpe
42/147247/20
Burglary - Business And Community
14/09/2020 18:26
14/09/2020 17:15
Thorpe Bay Gardens, Southend-on-Sea
SUSPECTS UNKNOWN HAVE BY UNKNOWN MEANS CAUSED DAMAGE TO THE SHUTTERS ON THE RACE HUT AT THE YACHT CLUB. ENTRY HAS BEEN GAINED AND SUSPECTS WERE LOOKING AROUND BUT WERE INTERRUPTED BY MEMBERS OF THE CLUB. UNKNOWN IF ANYTHING IS MISSING AT THIS TIME.

Ward
Reference
Offence Type
Reported Date
Committed From
Street Town
MO

Thorpe
42/148567/20
Distraction Burglary - Residential - Dwelling
16/09/2020 13:06
16/09/2020 11:50
Sandringham Road, Southend-on-Sea
VICTIM HAS RETURNED HOME AND FOUND WOODEN INSIDE DOOR WAS WIDE OPEN. NOTHING APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN TAKEN BUT THE VICTIM IS POSITIVE THAT SHE SHUT THE DOOR.

Ward
Reference
Offence Type
Reported Date
Committed From
Street Town
MO

Thorpe
42/149157/20
Theft from a motor vehicle
17/09/2020 11:40
16/09/2020 19:00
Thorpe Hall Avenue, Southend-on-Sea
SUSPECT UNKNOWN HAS GAINED ENTRY TO THE VICTIMS BLACK MERCEDES CABRIOLET BY MEANS UNKNOWN AND CONDUCTED A MESSY SEARCH. THE SUSPECT HAS REMOVED A BLUE DISABLED BADGE AND FOLDER AND SOME SMALL CHANGE FROM A UNIT IN ALONG THE CENTRE CONSOLE.

Ward
Reference
Offence Type
Reported Date
Committed From
Street Town
MO

Thorpe
42/150399/20
Theft if not classified elsewhere
19/09/2020 12:29
27/07/2020 00:00
The Broadway, Southend-on-Sea
SUSPECT UNIDENTIFIED FAILED TO REPAIR ROLEX ITEMS TO THE VALUE OF 10000 GBP AND RETURN THEM TO VICTIM DESPITE NUMEROUS REQUESTS.

Ward
Reference
Offence Type
Reported Date
Committed From
Street Town
MO

West Shoebury
42/150773/20
Other criminal damage to a vehicle (Under £5,000)
19/09/2020 22:39
19/09/2020 00:00
Delaware Road, Southend-on-Sea
SUSPECTS UNKNOWN HAVE CAUSED DAMAGE TO VICTIMS BLACK VOLKSWAGEN

GOLF USING EGGS AND FLOUR. SUSPECTS
HAVE ALSO CAUSED A DENT IN THE DOOR
VIA MEANS UNKNOWN.

Coronavirus Information

Summary of Covid-19 related Government announcements 23/09/2020

Please see below the latest government announcements relating to COVID 19:

Further information on the recently announced changes has been provided and includes:

- Businesses will need to display the official NHS QR code posters so that customers can 'check-in' at different premises using this option as an alternative to providing their contact details once the app is rolled out nationally (from 24 September).
- Employers must not knowingly require or encourage someone who is being required to self-isolate to come to work.
- Businesses must remind people to wear face coverings where mandated.
- Government has announced an initial £60 million to support additional enforcement activity by local authorities and the police, in addition to funding that has already been awarded.
- The government's expectation is the measures described above will need to remain in place until March.

Several detailed guidance documents have been updated in light of these changes:

- Staying alert and safe
- Meeting with others safely (social distancing)
- Guidance on face coverings - including enforcement detail

Weekly Briefing on Local Decisions & Actions re Coronavirus outbreak - 18 September 2020

Key updates/actions

Venues required to enforce rule of 6, NHS QR code posters and contact logs:

Regulations came into force on the 18th to ensure that businesses comply with the rule of 6 and maintain social distancing between customers. Businesses failing to comply could be issued with fines of up to £4,000. Designated venues will also now have a legal requirement to maintain records of customer contact details and display an official NHS QR code poster ahead of the rollout of the NHS COVID-19 app. Read more on GOV.UK

Resources and information for Businesses in respect of their visitors is available on the NHS COVID-19 website.

Testing

Anyone who has symptoms of coronavirus should get tested. If you have symptoms you should apply for the test straight away. You can book a test on the NHS website or call 119. People should only get a test if they have coronavirus symptoms or have been asked to get tested. This will help make sure people who need a test can get one. A statement was issued by the leader of the council regarding the Short Street local testing site. Read the statement on the council website.

Business grants

Discretionary Business Grants Scheme: So far, we have received 794 applications for phase one of the scheme, with 6 of those requiring further information. We have paid out £780k to 270 businesses. We have received 42 applications for phase two, and paid out £55k to 22 businesses with none outstanding.

Retail, hospitality and leisure and small business grants: We have now paid out £37.43m to 3080 businesses.

The Business Grant scheme closed for applications on 28th August in line with Government instruction with the Business Rates team now finalising all remaining applications and payments, which have to be made by the 30th September

National and local data

Please visit the test and trace section of our website for the latest national and local data: www.southend.gov.uk/testandtrace

A link to the national NHS Digital information shows information by time intervals (for example, 3-days, 7-days, 30-days, etc), as well as the total numbers and requests or referrals to NHS 111.

Autumn fireworks

Southend BID announced the cancellation of the autumn fireworks earlier this week due to COVID-19.

Bus passengers

Bus passengers are continuing to be encouraged to consider when they travel to prioritise children going to school.

Other – Out of hours:

Urgent issues arising out of hours should be reported to the out of hours service in accordance with standard practice.

The phone number is 01702 215000.

The out of hours service will then contact the relevant Council officer who is on-call or the relevant contractor such as Veolia. They also have access to the town link radio and CCTV.