

## E-Newsletter – 16<sup>th</sup> April 2021

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### **1) Information Corner**

#### **Essex Police Fraud Alert - ROYAL MAIL SCAMS — UNDELIVERED PARCEL TEXT MESSAGE**

The public are being warned to stay alert to a new wave of scam text messages claiming to be from Royal Mail.

Criminals are taking advantage of the new reliance on online shopping and deliveries to obtain personal and banking details.

This follows on from a similar scam where people would receive an email telling them that their parcel could not be delivered and they would have to pay a fee for it to be released.

The text messages come from a variety of different numbers but all will ask for a small payment which is accessed by clicking on a link in the message.

Royal Mail have stated that this is not a text that they would send out, they will only send text messages to those who have opted in to their SMS service.

#### **Remember:**

- Unexpected messages should be treated with caution
- Phone numbers can be easily spoofed by criminals—don't trust a number just because it appears to come from a genuine organisation
- Never click on links sent via email or SMS text message

## **Essex Police - Focus on Personal Safety**

This month we take a look at how to remain safe on the streets by following some simple steps...

- **Plan** — Plan your route in advance. Carry a charged mobile phone and some cash, and tell someone where you're going.
- **Be aware**— Using a mobile phone, whether making a call or texting, wearing a hood or listening to loud music, all affect your awareness of your surroundings.
- **Hide it**— Keep your valuables including your mobile phone, other devices and jewellery, hidden. Remember, out of sight, out of mind.
- **Be vigilant**— Alcohol and drugs will reduce reaction times and inhibitions, which makes it harder to assess risks and decide how to deal with them. So keep an eye on how much you drink and never let your glass or bottle out of your sight.
- **Trust your instincts**—Try to avoid walking alone at night in places such as parks and side streets or any unfamiliar environment. If you do have to walk, stick to busy places where is a lot of activity CCTV and good lighting.
- **Safety in numbers**—Try to travel with people you know and, where possible, stick to routes and forms of transport that others are using and avoid shortcuts in lonely places.

For further advice, go to: <https://www.essex.police.uk/cp/crimeprevention/protect-yourself-from-crime/staysafe/>

## **2) Temporary Road Closures**

### **a) Victoria Road, Leigh-On-Sea – 6th May 2021 from 08:00 till 17:00 - water board complete reinstatement works.**

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

1. Entering & exiting Victoria Road at its junction with Cliff Parade
2. Waiting, loading or unloading on Victoria Road from its junction with Cliff Parade to outside & opposite No37

The closure is scheduled to commence on **6th May 2021 from 08:00 till 17:00.**

The alternative route will be via Cliff Parade, Grand Drive & Broadway and vice versa

The closure is required for the safety of the public and workforce whilst the water board complete reinstatement works.

Access for emergency vehicles, residents and pedestrians will be maintained at all times during the closure.

**b) Belton Gardens, Leigh-On-Sea – 10th May 2021 till 13th May 2021 between the hours of 19:00 & 04:00 each night - Jetting works for Anglian Water**

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

Proceeding on Belton Gardens from its junction with Belton Bridge & Belton Way East.

The closure is scheduled to commence from **10th May 2021 till 13th May 2021 between the hours of 19:00 & 04:00 each night.**

The alternative route will be via Belton Way East, Rectory Grove, Elm Road, Broadway & Leigh Hill or Leigh Hill, Broadway, Broadway West, Rectory Grove & Belton Way East.

The closure is required for the safety of the public and workforce whilst jetting works for Anglian Water take place.

Access for emergency vehicles, residents and pedestrians will be maintained at all times during the closure.

### **3) Weekly Works**

Address 1	Start	End	Works Reference	L.A.Ref	Traffic Management
GLENMORE STREET	07/04/2021	21/04/2021	AZ502-1001019984	113535- In Progress	Give & take – delays possible
VAUGHAN AVENUE	06/04/2021	28/07/2021	AZ502-1001051843	115771- Proposed Works	Give & take – delays possible
ST AUGUSTINES AVENUE	29/03/2021	20/04/2021	KG027-SE-FTTH- PN005-05	113687- In Progress	Give & take- delays possible
BISHOPSTEIGNTON	18/03/2021	20/04/2021	KG027-SE-FTTH- PN014-14	114575 In Progress	Give & take – delays possible
WEYBOURNE GARDENS	05/04/2021	07/05/2021	KG027-SE-FTTH- PN039-04	99937- Proposed Remedial	Give & take- delays possible
PRITTLEWELL CHASE	15/03/2021	09/04/2021	JR101- SEC50PERM3008	114436 – In Progress	Lane closure – delays likely

BOSCOMBE ROAD	07/04/2021	27/05/2021	AZ502-1001020099	113546 – In Progress	Multi-way signals – delays likely
PEEL AVENUE	15/03/2021	27/04/2021	AZ007-1001051842	115770 – In Progress	No carriageway incursion – delays unlikely
HAMSTEL ROAD	06/04/2021	18/05/2021	AZ502-1001050968	115696 – In Progress	Road closure – delays likely
BURGES ROAD	16/02/2021	16/04/2021 (date change)	KG027-SE-FTTH- PN071-07	112319 – In Progress	Road closure – delays likely
DREWSTEIGNTON	05/03/2021	05/04/2021 (date change)	AZ007-1000862790	100372 – In Progress	Some carriageway incursion – delays unlikely
BISHOPSTEIGNTON	20/01/2021	05/04/2021 (date change)	AZ007-1000964855	109233 – In Progress	Some carriageway incursion – delays unlikely
THORPE HALL AVENUE	13/01/2021	09/04/2021 (date change)	AZ007-1000994632	111886 – In Progress	Some carriageway incursion- delays unlikely
EASTERN AVENUE SERVICE ROAD	05/04/2021	05/05/2021	KG027-SE-FTTH- PN003-18	113611 – Proposed Remedial	Some carriageway incursion – delays unlikely

## **4) List of Applications Registered Week Ending 16<sup>th</sup> April 2021**

Application Number: 21/00585/OUT **Ward: Southchurch**  
 Officer: Oliver Hart  
 Erect single storey detached bungalow, layout hard and soft landscaping (Outline)  
**39 Sackville Road Southend-On-Sea Essex**

Application Number: 21/00655/FULH **Ward: Southchurch**  
 Officer: Oliver Hart  
 Erect single storey rear extension  
**99 Burlescoombe Road Thorpe Bay Essex**

Application Number: 21/00656/FULH **Ward: Southchurch**  
 Officer: Kara Elliott  
 Erect part single/part two storey side extension  
**5 Archer Avenue Southend-On-Sea Essex**

Application Number: 21/00622/FULH  
Officer: Oliver Hart  
Erect second floor extension with juliette balcony to rear  
**32 Greenways Thorpe Bay Essex**

**Ward: Thorpe**

Application Number: 21/00664/CLP  
Officer: Janine Rowley  
Single storey rear extension (Lawful Development Certificate - Proposed)  
**131 Ambleside Drive Southend-On-Sea Essex**

**Ward: Thorpe**

Application Number: 21/00671/FULH  
Officer: Kara Elliott  
Erect timber gazebo to rear  
**16 Lynton Road Thorpe Bay Essex**

**Ward: Thorpe**

Application Number: 21/00683/FULH  
Officer: Kara Elliott  
Erect dormer to rear to form habitable accommodation in loftspace with balcony to front  
**166 Eastern Esplanade Southend-On-Sea Essex**

**Ward: Thorpe**

Application Number: 21/00695/FULH  
Officer: Kara Elliott  
Erect part single/part two storey rear extension, raise part of ridge height, hip to gable roof extension to rear and dormer to front to form habitable accommodation in the loftspace, alter elevations (Amended Proposal)  
**29 St Augustines Avenue Thorpe Bay Essex**

**Ward: Thorpe**

Application Number: 21/00628/FULH  
Officer: Kara Elliott  
Erect dormer to rear with juliette balcony to form habitable accommodation in the roofspace, erect single storey rear extension  
**128 Ness Road Shoeburyness Southend-On-Sea**

**Ward: West Shoebury**

## **5) List of Decisions Issued** **Week Ending 11<sup>th</sup> April 2021**

APPLN. NO: 21/00171/FULH  
Officer: Janine Rowley  
RAISE RIDGE HEIGHT AND INSTALL DORMERS TO SIDE ELEVATIONS TO FORM HABITABLE ACCOMMODATION IN THE ROOFSPACE  
**89 BROADCLYST GARDENS THORPE BAY ESSEX**  
Decision: Grant Conditional Permission

**Ward. Southchurch**

APPLN. NO: 21/00332/FULH  
Officer: Kara Elliott  
DEMOLISH REAR PART OF GARAGE AND FORM NEW PITCHED ROOF OVER, ERECT SINGLE STOREY REAR EXTENSION

**Ward. Thorpe**

## **35 PARKANAUR AVENUE THORPE BAY ESSEX**

Decision: Grant Conditional Permission

APPLN. NO: 21/00148/FULH

**Ward. West Shoebury**

Officer: Oliver Hart

ERECT SINGLE STOREY SIDE AND REAR EXTENSIONS (AMENDED PROPOSAL)

## **31 ULSTER AVENUE SHOEBURYNESS SOUTHEND-ON-SEA**

Decision: Grant Conditional Permission

APPLN. NO: 21/00242/CLP

**Ward. West Shoebury**

Officer: Oliver Hart

ERECT SINGLE STOREY EXTENSION TO SOUTH ELEVATION OF SECAT HOUSE AND RELOCATE EXISTING PATIO, AND FENCE TO WEST ELEVATION, ERECT TWIN-BAR FENCE TO SOUTH ELEVATION AND REPLACE EXISTING ROOF TO MATCH NEW EXTENSION (CERTIFICATE OF LAWFUL DEVELOPMENT - PROPOSED)

## **THORPEDENE PRIMARY SCHOOL DELAWARE ROAD SHOEBURYNESS**

Decision: Refuse Lawful Development Certificate

APPLN. NO: 21/00273/FUL

**Ward. West Shoebury**

Officer: Robert Lilburn

DEMOLISH EXISTING BEACH HUT AND ERECT REPLACEMENT BEACH HUT (AMENDED PROPOSAL)

## **BEACH HUT 553 SHOEBURY COMMON ROAD SHOEBURYNESS**

Decision: Grant Conditional Permission

APPLN. NO: 21/00354/FULH

**Ward. West Shoebury**

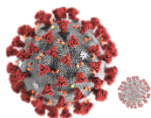
Officer: Kara Elliott

ERECT SINGLE STOREY FRONT EXTENSION AND ALTER ELEVATIONS (AMENDED PROPOSAL)

## **8 FITZWARREN SHOEBURYNESS SOUTHEND-ON-SEA**

Decision: Grant Conditional Permission

## **6) Coronavirus Information**



### **PM warns people to 'behave responsibly' as lockdown eases**

Boris Johnson has warned people to “behave responsibly” as the latest stage of lockdown easing comes into effect. Pub gardens, indoor gyms and hairdressers are among the businesses that can reopen in England on 12<sup>th</sup> April.

## **People in their late forties are next in line as COVID-19 vaccine rollout hits target**

People in their late forties are due to be invited for vaccinations from 12<sup>th</sup> April after the Government reached its target to offer jabs to everyone in the nine priority groups. Only people in their late forties are expected to be called first in what sources described as an “easing into” the second phase of the vaccination programme.

## **Pubs and bar owners face fines for crowding**

Some pubs and bars could face fines or the removal of their licences over queues as they reopened on Monday. Councils have reportedly set up enforcement squads to patrol pubs and restaurants to look for customers breaking the rules. Preliminary figures suggest footfall on British high streets rose by more than 140 per cent yesterday.

## **England gets third vaccine as Moderna rollout begins**

England is giving out its first doses of the Moderna vaccine, the third COVID-19 vaccine in the UK's rollout. It will be available at 21 sites.

## **Weekly Briefing on Local Decisions & Actions re Coronavirus outbreak 16<sup>th</sup> April 2021**

### **Key updates/actions**

**His Royal Highness The Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh:** The funeral of The Duke of Edinburgh takes place tomorrow. As part of this, a national one-minute silence will take place at 3pm, with the nation being asked to observe this and the funeral from home. More details are on the Royal Family website. Porters Civic House and City Beach have been lit purple this week in memory of The Duke of Edinburgh. View an image of Porters on Twitter.

**Vaccination:** In an announcement, the JCVI has published phase two vaccination advice, setting out that the most effective way to minimise hospitalisations and deaths is to continue to prioritise people by age. The JCVI recommends adults aged 18-49 are prioritised in descending order: those aged 40-49; those aged 30-39; those aged 18-29. The DoHSC has confirmed that all four parts of the UK will follow the recommended approach, with the understanding that age is assessed to be the strongest factor linked to mortality, morbidity and hospitalisations.

The Prime Minister confirmed that adults over 50, the clinically vulnerable and health and social care workers have now been offered a coronavirus vaccine, and that the UK is moving to the next phase of the vaccination programme.

With the vaccination roll-out underway, regular information is being updated on the EPUT website and the dedicated Essex COVID vaccine website. Figures are now also being reported by the national programme on a STP/ICS footprint – the latest weekly figures can be found at <https://www.england.nhs.uk/statistics/statistical-work-areas/covid-19-vaccinations/>.

**COVID-19 testing:** Testing options includes four rapid testing LFD sites available across the Borough, including a new site on the central seafront in Unit 21.

Full details of all the booking options are available at [www.southend.gov.uk/gettested](http://www.southend.gov.uk/gettested) Testing is key to stop the spread and identify cases.

Rapid Covid-19 self-test kits are being offered to everyone living and working in Southend-on-Sea under the Community Collect initiative to support the government's roadmap out of lockdown.

**The Government has reintroduced confirmatory PCR testing for assisted testing:** Read more <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-getting-tested>

All university students to return to in-person teaching from Step 3 of the Government's roadmap, no earlier than 17 May. Read more on GOV.UK

Guidance for sports settings has been released covering the safe provision of team sport, contact combat sport and organised sport events.

Updated safety guidance for close contact, hospitality and non-essential services is available. It includes additional information for different sectors on how coronavirus restrictions will be eased.

**Visit Southend Safely:** non-essential retail, gyms, hairdressers and other personal care businesses reopened on Monday 12 April, with people still being urged to plan ahead. Advice remains to minimise travel and work from home where possible.

**Business grants:** Business grants in place from November lockdown: 6,896 grant payments totaling £15.37m

Restart Grants: 236 grant payments totaling £1.88m

Discretionary grants: Paid £1.941m to 611 businesses

Small business and Retail, Hospitality and Leisure grants: Paid c. £37.5m to 3,086 businesses

**Coronavirus case data:** This is published on our website and now also includes the daily 7 day rate of positive cases per 100,000.

· 7-day rate of positive cases as of 16 April 2021 is 21.3 per 100,000 (down from 41 per 100,000 on 9 April). The rate in the 60 and over age bracket is 13.2 per 100,000 (down from 15.4 on 9 April).

**ONS death data:** Southend-on-Sea residents' deaths registered inside and outside of Southend-on-Sea with any mention of COVID-19 on the death certificate that occurred up to 2 April but were registered up to 10 April 2021: 667 (+1).

**National and local data:** 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.

**Other**



- Members of the public who need to self-isolate but are stuck and have no local support from friends and family can call the helpline on 01702 212497. A full list of support contact numbers is available on the corporate website

## **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.

## **Summary of Covid-19 related Government announcements 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> April 2021**

### **DHSC has published:**

- New guidance that from Friday 9 April, everyone in England will be eligible for free rapid COVID-19 tests, twice a week.

### **Department for Digital, Culture, Media & Sport:**

- New information that public fundraising will be permitted to return from today, as part of the next phase of the Government's roadmap out of lockdown.

## **Summary of Covid-19 related Government announcements 13<sup>th</sup> April 2021**

### **10 Downing Street**

- In an announcement, the JCVI has published phase two vaccination advice, setting out that the most effective way to minimise hospitalisations and deaths is to continue to prioritise people by age.

o The JCVI recommends adults aged 18-49 are prioritised in descending order: those aged 40-49; those aged 30-39; those aged 18-29

- The DoHSC has published its response to the final advice from JCVI and confirmed that all four parts of the UK will follow the recommended approach, with the understanding that age is assessed to be the strongest factor linked to mortality, morbidity and hospitalisations.

- The Prime Minister confirmed that adults over 50, the clinically vulnerable and health and social care workers have now been offered a coronavirus vaccine, and that the UK is moving to the next phase of the vaccination programme.

## **DoHSC**

- Guidance is updated for anyone who provides unpaid care for a friend or family member who cannot cope without their support, to reflect changes to national lockdown rules which came into effect yesterday. The update includes guidance for those under 25 who provide care for someone due to them having a lifelong condition, illness, disability, serious injury, mental health condition or an addiction.

## **MHCLG**

- Guidance is updated for those managing community centres, village halls and other community facilities on safely re-opening to reflect changes to national lockdown rules which came into effect yesterday.
- Guidance is updated for using green spaces safely to reflect the new national restrictions. The public can meet in a group of six or a larger group of any size from up to two households (including support bubbles, if eligible) outdoors.
- Guidance is updated for people moving into homes, whether as owner-occupiers or as private or social renters, to reflect changes to national lockdown rules.

## **Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy & Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport**

- Updated working safely guidance for close contact, hospitality and non-essential services. Includes additional information for different sectors on how coronavirus restrictions will be eased.

### **Summary of Covid-19 related Government announcements 14<sup>th</sup> April 2021**

**DHSC** has launched a new consultation on whether care home providers, which care for older adults, should only deploy workers who have received a vaccination.

The government confirmed that all university students can return to campus and in-person teaching from 17 May.

Guidance on 3 supervised tests has been published.

### **Summary of Covid-19 related Government announcements 15<sup>th</sup> April 2021**

## **DoHSC**

- Guidance for councils on enforcing COVID-secure regulations is updated to reflect changes to the national lockdown rules which came into effect on 12 April.
- A service was launched to carry out further visits to people quarantining following international travel. Those quarantining may be visited by NHS Test and Trace staff. Staff will not have enforcement powers, but may refer to the police if they have a reason to believe that an individual may be breaching quarantine rules.

## **PHE**

- National protocol for the administration of the Ox/AZ vaccine is updated. Details of changes can be found on page four.

## **DfE**

- Guidance is updated on arrangements for school meals during the COVID-19 outbreak. It includes information on claiming for additional costs, the Winter Grant Scheme and the COVID-19 Local Support Grant as well as further information on free meals in further education.

## **Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy & Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport**

- Updated working safely guidance for people who work in the performing arts, including arts organisations, venue operators and participants, and for people who work or volunteer at heritage locations. The updates reflect changes to the national lockdown rules which came into effect on 12 April.

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