

E-Newsletter – 7th October 2022

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1) Information Corner



BERA Coffee Morning

The next coffee morning will be on **Thursday 20th October** at **10.00am to midday** at **Thorpe Bay Methodist Church** (corner of The Broadway and Johnstone Road). We will be bringing along panic and personal alarms, contactless debit card blocking pouches, no cold caller stickers and the car key signal blocking pouches, which are free to members.

We will be collecting for the food bank. So, if you can donate any tins of meat, vegetables, UHT milk, instant mash, custard, rice pudding etc. that would be greatly appreciated.

All welcome to come for a chat, tea and cake and bring a friend. We look forward to seeing you.

Southend's director of public health says 'do your bit' to support the NHS and social care this winter

Southend-on-Sea City Council's director of public health, says 'do your bit' to support the NHS and social care this winter and get your COVID-19 and flu vaccinations.

This year, the flu vaccine will be offered to those most at risk from flu first. From September, younger children, older people, those in clinical risk groups and pregnant

women were able to book an appointment for a flu vaccine at their GP practice or pharmacy. From mid-October 2022, people aged 50 to 64 years old that aren't in a clinical risk group, will also be able to get a free flu vaccine. The flu vaccine is offered through schools for school-aged children and pregnant women can get their flu vaccine through their GP practice, pharmacy or maternity service.

The COVID-19 and flu vaccine can be given on the same day and some people might get both vaccines at the same time. However, this may not always be possible, so it's best to get each vaccination as soon as possible, rather than waiting to get both at the same time.

Please help to keep yourself and those around you safe against these viruses by getting vaccinated when you are invited. You can find out more about what vaccinations you may need, and information about how to book an appointment, by visiting www.nhs.uk/flujab and www.nhs.uk/covid-vaccine.

Please plan your travel for seafront fireworks

With train strikes and engineering works this weekend, Southend-on-Sea City Council is asking residents and visitors attending Southend Business Improvement District's (BID) free firework display to plan their travel in advance.

There is planned nationwide strike action affecting both C2C and Greater Anglia rail lines on Saturday 8 October, which is also the first weekend of the Southend BID's annual free firework display along the seafront. Although a reduced service will run between 7.30am and 6.30pm, both local operators are warning of severe disruption and advise not travelling on their networks.

To avoid traffic and parking issues, Southend-on-Sea City Council are urging those attending to plan ahead with their journey, use bus networks, and if driving leave plenty of time and use the City Centre car parks, then walk to the seafront.

To find out more about the car parks available, visit the Southend-on-Sea City Council website.

For details about the fireworks, go to the Visit Southend website, or the Southend BID website.

For more information about the train strikes, please visit C2C website or Greater Anglia website

2) National Corner

'Dental deserts' across England growing, Local Government Association (LGA) analysis shows

The number of "dental deserts" is growing across England, according to new analysis by the LGA. Deprived and rural areas have fewer dentists than richer and urban areas, with the LGA saying the Government must address shortages in NHS

dentistry. The new analysis of data, collected by the Care Quality Commission and published as a rate per 1,000 residents on the LGA's data platform LG Inform, shows no local authority area in the country has more than one dentist providing NHS treatment per 1,000 people. The LGA said the public health grant, which is used by councils to provide programmes to promote good oral health, has been cut by 24 per cent in real terms since 2015/16, equivalent to a total reduction of £1 billion.

COVID-19 cases double in a month to 200,000 a day

Latest figures show the number of COVID-19 cases has doubled to 200,000 a day again – and are expected to hit a new UK record around the end of the month. Daily symptomatic cases have doubled in just over a month, increasing from 101,600 on 27 August to 202,738 on 30 September according to the ZOE Health study.

'Concerning' increases in Covid hospitalisations - with 250% rise in one region

“Concerning” increases in Covid hospitalisations in the past week suggest a new wave of infections is underway, UK health officials have said. There were 9,631 people in hospital with coronavirus as of 8am on 5 October, a 37 per cent increase on last week's 7,024, which is also the highest figure since 3 August and the COVID-19 hospital admission rate in England is now 10.8 per 100,000 people.

Junk food banned from tills and entrances in shops across England from 1st October

Restrictions on where shops in England can display junk food come into effect 1st October. Products which are high in fat, salt and sugar can no longer be placed in prominent locations such as shop entrances and tills, but a proposed ban on multibuy deals for junk food - such as "buy one, get one free" offers - is being delayed until October 2023.

Teachers plan strikes this winter

Hundreds of thousands of teachers are poised to strike before Christmas over sub-inflation pay rises, in a move that threatens to shut schools across England. Internal figures compiled by the National Education Union, the country's largest education union, suggest as many as nine in ten teachers are prepared to back industrial action.

Nurses to vote on strike action

Nurses are set to cast their votes on whether to strike over pay in the first ever UK-wide ballot by the industry's largest union, with the Royal College of Nursing asking its members if they want to implement industrial action for the first time. It comes amid warnings that record numbers of nurses are leaving the profession.

Rule on nursery staff ratios may be axed by Truss

Liz Truss could abolish rules on the number of nursery staff required to look after children in a drive to make childcare cheaper. The Prime Minister has spoken in the past about relaxing ratios governing how many adults are needed per child in English nurseries and rather than tweaking the ratios, Ms Truss is now considering scrapping the regulation altogether and leaving nurseries free to decide how many staff they need to look after their children.

3) Crime Report 26th September to 2nd October 2022

Ward **Southchurch**
 Crime Reference Number 42/247209/22
 Offence Description Theft if not classified elsewhere
 Reported Date and Time 29/09/2022 13:16
 Committed Date (From) 29/09/2022 12:55
 Street partial postcode **SHOEBURY ROAD SS1 3**
 Offence Details (MO)
 SUSPECT UNIDENTIFIED HAS FILLED UP WITH FIFTY TWO POUNDS AND SEVENTY NINE PENCE WORTH OF FUEL BEFORE MAKING OFF WITHOUT PAYING AND CHANGING NUMBER PLATES.

Ward **Southchurch**
 Crime Reference Number 42/247348/22
 Offence Description Robbery (of Personal Property)
 Reported Date and Time 29/09/2022 16:22
 Committed Date (From) 29/09/2022 15:10
 Street partial postcode **SOUTHCHURCH BOULEVARD SS2 4**
 Offence Details (MO)
 SUSPECTS UNIDENTIFIED HAS GRABBED THE VICTIM BY HIS TIE AND DEMANDED THAT HE GETS OFF HIS BIKE. SUSPECTS HAVE THEN RIDEN OFF ON VICTIMS BIKE.

Ward **Thorpe**
 Crime Reference Number 42/247474/22
 Offence Description Theft from a motor vehicle
 Reported Date and Time 29/09/2022 20:21
 Committed Date (From) 29/09/2022 17:20
 Street partial postcode **EASTERN ESPLANADE SS1 3**
 Offence Details (MO)
 SUSPECT UNKNOWN DRILLED THE LOCK IN THE SIDE DOOR OF VICTIMS WHITE FORD TRANSIT AND STOLE VARIOUS ITEMS OF PROFESSIONAL GAS LEAK DETECTION EQUIPMENT.

Ward **West Shoebury**
 Crime Reference Number 42/246176/22
 Offence Description Theft of a motor vehicle
 Reported Date and Time 28/09/2022 02:22
 Committed Date (From) 28/09/2022 02:10
 Street partial postcode **BUNTERS AVENUE SS3 9**
 Offence Details (MO)
 SUSPECTS UNKNOWN HAVE STOLEN THE VICTIMS MOTORCYCLE HONDA, RED, WD16JFX BY REMOVING IT FROM THE FRONT OF THE VICTIMS HOUSE.

Ward **West Shoebury**
 Crime Reference Number 42/246285/22
 Offence Description Other criminal damage to a residence (Under £5,000)

Reported Date and Time 18/09/2022 15:33
Committed Date (From) 16/09/2022 10:00
Street partial postcode **ST. ANDREWS ROAD SS3 9**
Offence Details (MO)
SUSPECT UNIDENTIFIED HAS ENTERED PROPERTY WITH OUT PERMISSION
AND CAUSED CRIMINAL DAMAGE.

4) List of Decisions Issued Week Ending 2nd October 2022

APPLN. NO: 22/01568/FUL **Ward. Southchurch**
Officer: Hayley Thompson
INSTALL NEW VEHICLE CROSSOVER ONTO HAMSTEL ROAD
345 HAMSTEL ROAD SOUTHEND-ON-SEA ESSEX
Decision: Grant Conditional Permission

APPLN. NO: 22/01542/FUL **Ward. Thorpe**
Officer: Oliver Hart
CHANGE OF USE FROM STORAGE GARAGE (CLASS B8) TO OFFICE (CLASS E), EXTEND EXISTING BUILDING TO FRONT, INSTALL FLOOD REFUGE TO ROOF, ALTER ELEVATIONS AND LAYOUT PARKING
GARAGE 1C CAMPER ROAD SOUTHEND-ON-SEA
Decision: Grant Conditional Permission

APPLN. NO: 22/01824/PA52 **Ward. West Shoebury**
Officer:
INSTALLATION OF 33 SOLARWATT VISION 365W SOLAR PANELS ON A K2 ROOF HOOK AND RAIL MOUNTING SYSTEM ON THE SOUTHERN ASPECT OF THE CHURCH SPORTS HALL ROOF. SYSTEM IS 12.045KWP PV SYSTEM
SHOEBURYNESS AND THORPE BAY BAPTIST CHURCH THORPEDENE GARDENS SHOEBURYNESS
Decision: Duplicate app entered in error

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