

E-Newsletter – 2nd December 2022

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1) Information Corner



BERA Coffee Morning

The next coffee morning will be on **Thursday 15th December** 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.

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



A Community Tree Sponsored by BERA

Monday 28th November saw Mike Stafford, our Treasurer, plant a community tree in Thorpe Bay Methodist Church grounds. The new minister at the Church, Agnes Sam said that the idea of the tree is for the community to add messages or decorations to it, so that all of the area can enjoy it and make it special. If this is something that you would like to do, please add any decoration that you wish.

We're gritting in the spirit of winter

The council and its street cleansing and winter maintenance partner Veolia are ready to be called into gritting action, so residents and visitors can travel around the City safely in the cold weather this winter.

Veolia's three gritting vehicles are ready to be called out when needed. Alongside 122 salt bins for residents and businesses to make use of across the City, there's also over 1,800 tonnes of salt in reserve.

The 'main route' gritter spreads nine tonnes of salt per operation and two smaller gritters cover additional routes and both spread five tonnes of salt each per operation.

As well as the roads, Veolia uses small gritting vehicles to keep priority pavements and walkways safe across the Southend-on-Sea.

The council is looking for local residents to support their own communities by becoming a snow warden and committing to grit local pavements and driveways. Free gritting equipment is available to Southend residents who sign the pledge, and a first giveaway session will be taking place between 10am and 3pm at Stock Road Recycling Centre on Saturday 2 December to find out more visit www.veolia.co.uk/southend/snow-warden

Residents are also asked to keep an eye on the levels of salt-grit in their local salt bins and report if levels are low at <https://my.southend.gov.uk> and select 'bins, recycling and waste', and then 'salt bin.'

Visit www.metoffice.gov.uk for updated weather forecasts and weather warnings.

For further information, please visit: www.southend.gov.uk/winter

Get ready for window wonderland as Southend's Best Festive Business competition returns

If you have a local business, grab your ribbon, baubles, and lights to dress up your business for the annual festive competition, which could win you some fantastic prizes and add a bit of festive magic throughout the City.

For the eleventh consecutive year, Southend-on-Sea City Council has launched the 'Best Festive Business' competition, which aims to encourage small businesses across the City to decorate their windows or offices with their best Christmas decorations.

Businesses must submit a photo to @BusinessOnSea on Facebook via messenger or by emailing economicd@southend.gov.uk for a chance to win the prize. All entry photos - limited to one per business - will be posted on the Business-on-Sea Facebook page for the public to vote for their favourite display. The top three pictures with the most likes by the closing date will win the prizes as below. Entries open on Thursday 1 December, and close at 12pm Tuesday 20 December.

1st Prize - Blatella Films (customised video) and free private hire of The Ironworks ground floor for an event - evening only from 6pm - excluding Friday and Saturday.

2nd Prize - Federation of Small Businesses (FSB) annual membership, to the value of £177.

3rd Prize - The Ironworks three x free half day boardroom hires 8am-12pm or 1pm-5pm and two free trade stand spaces, 2m by 2m on a Saturday.

The winners will be announced on Wednesday 21 December, and all prizes have been donated by local businesses.

One lucky voter will also be randomly selected on Wednesday 21 December to receive a luxury hamper worth £100.

For further details about the competition, please visit the Business on Sea website.

Free festive parking returns to Southend-on-Sea

All council-managed car parks across the City will be free all day on Sundays until Christmas, providing a welcomed boost for traders across Southend-on-Sea.

The free festive parking offer will start Sunday 4 December and runs up to and including Sunday 18 December. The free festive parking is offered by the council to support all local businesses during the festive season to help boost trade and entice shoppers to the City.

The offer applies to council run 'off-street' car parks, but not 'on-street' parking bays. A list of council car parks is available on the SBC website.

Council Decisions - Refused - Planning Applications 22/01920/FULH & 22/01921/FULH | 130 Marcus Avenue

Sources: Planning Application 22/01920/FULH | 130 Marcus

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We have been informed that the Council has 'Refused' both Planning Applications 22/01920/FULH & 22/01921/FULH regarding 130 Marcus Avenue.

Please see the councils website, planning page, for more information.

Traffic and Highways - December



Streetworks Christmas embargo

All planned utility works across the city are to be clear by 21 December until 3 January. Any emergency works will continue to be permitted, however, Southend City Council will endeavour to keep any disruption to a minimum during this festive period.



Use the MySouthend platform to report potholes this winter

The combination of wet and cold weather can affect our roads and pavements as potholes are formed through the freezing and thawing of water. This winter, please use the MySouthend platform to report any potholes. It is the quickest way to ensure your report gets inspected. The defect will be inspected within 24 hours or next working day. Highways inspectors will be working throughout the festive period.

The current investigatory levels for a pothole in the road are 40mm deep by 300mm, and for pavement potholes it is 20mm deep by 600mm. Please bare these measurements in mind when reporting a defect so that our inspectors can prioritise the most severe reports this winter.

Ward Updates for Thorpe, Shoeburyness and West Shoebury Wards

Footway resurfacing works are planned for:

Lifstan Way (Eastern Esp. to Northumberland Crescent)

There are no current carriageway resurfacing works.

Current TRO Consultations active for these wards:

Informal consultation Zone SH/Dane Street Permit Scheme – 2nd December – 23rd December

Greenways (School Street Order – Pedestrian and Cycle Zone) – Moving Traffic Order – Formal Consultation Dates – 23rd November – 14th December

Please note: the schemes listed are part of the planned works list. There may be additional schemes added throughout the month, which ward Councillors will be made aware of directly.

Revised Collection Days - Christmas and New Year 2022

There will be some changes to collections due to the Christmas and New Year's bank holiday.

Kerbside collections

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Date	Service information
Sunday 25 December (Christmas day)	No Service
Monday 26 December (Boxing day)	No Service
Tuesday 27 December (Bank Holiday)	No Service
Wednesday 28 December	Tuesdays collection
Thursday 29 December	Wednesday collection
Friday 30 December	Thursday collection
Saturday 31 January December	Friday collection
Sunday 1 January (New Year's Day)	No Service
Monday 2 January (Bank Holiday)	No Service
Tuesday 3 January	Normal Service resumes
Wednesday 4 January	Normal Service
Thursday 5 January	Normal Service
Friday 6 January	Normal Service

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Monday 2 January (Bank Holiday)	No Service
Tuesday 3 January	Monday collection
Wednesday 4 January	Tuesday collection
Thursday 5 January	Wednesday collection
Friday 6 January	Thursday collection
Saturday 7 January	Friday collection
Sunday 8 January	No Service
Monday 9 January	Normal Service resumes

Changes to Household Waste and Recycling Centres

- Closed Christmas Day (25 December), Boxing Day (26 December) and New Year's Day (1 January)
- Both sites will be open on the replacement bank holidays on Tuesday (27 December) and Monday (2 January) as well as Wednesday (28 December), Thursday (29 December) and Friday (30 December).

2) National Corner

100,000 nurses to strike next month

Up to 100,000 nurses will strike next month at NHS employers including cancer and children's hospitals, it has been reported. In England half of the trusts that voted in favour of strikes will participate in this round of action whilst all but one NHS employer will strike in Wales.

E-scooter campaigners call for government to pause trials following deaths

Campaigners have called on the Government to immediately pause its e-scooter trials as new figures reveal that the number of people killed in e-scooter crashes has tripled in the last years. Data from the Department for Transport shows 12 people died in incidents involving e-scooters in the year ending June 2022.

Ultra Low Emissions Zone to cover all of London

London's Ultra Low Emissions Zone is to be expanded to cover all of London. Drivers of some cars will have to pay £12.50 a day to enter to the Greater London Authority boundary from 29 August 2023.

Thousands spending over 12 hours in A&E

The head of the Royal College of Emergency Medicine has warned that around 4,000 patients a day are spending more than 12 hours in A&E as the emergency care system "collapses". Dr Adrian Boyle's comments come as nurses prepare for their first national strike in history, with two days of action planned before Christmas.

Military may drive ambulances and staff hospitals

Armed forces personnel could drive ambulances and stand in for frontline hospital roles, under emergency plans to deal with a possible winter of strikes. Health and defence officials are reportedly drawing up contingency plans for the Government to invoke the military aid to civil authorities protocol (Maca), as ambulance drivers and paramedics consider joining nurses on the picket lines in the coming months.

Infectious migrants will be told to isolate in hotel rooms

Migrants with suspected infections of highly contagious diseases will be ordered to isolate in their rooms to prevent them spreading to the general population. Emergency public health guidance has been issued to hotels following growing outbreaks of skin infections such as diphtheria, scabies, group A Strep and MRSA, respiratory infections such as flu and Covid-19, and gastrointestinal infections such as norovirus.

Just Stop Oil protesters planning disruption in run-up to Christmas, police warn

Further disruption is threatened by Just Stop Oil protesters in the run-up to Christmas, Scotland Yard has warned. The Metropolitan Police has moved to reassure the public that the force is "fully prepared" to deal with the climate activists and urged people not to take matters into their own hands, in the face of growing frustration and anger at their tactics.

Alzheimer's drug lecanemab breakthrough

The first drug to slow the destruction of the brain in Alzheimer's has been discovered after trials. The drug, lecanemab, slows down the progression of Alzheimer's in its early stages.

One in 26 trains cancelled this year

Newly released data from the Office of Road and Rail shows 3.8 per cent of trains in Great Britain have been cancelled in the year up to 12 November - or one in every 26. The Transport Secretary Mark Harper is due to meet a group of metro mayors today to discuss the situation.

3) Crime Report 21st – 27th November 2022

Ward	Thorpe
Crime Reference Number	42/284378/22
Offence Description	Theft from a motor vehicle
Reported Date and Time	21/11/2022 08:40
Committed Date (From)	19/11/2022
Street partial postcode	EASTERN ESPLANADE SS1 3
Offence Details (MO)	SUSPECT UNKNOWN HAS STOLEN THE VICTIMS PASSPORT AND HAND TOOLS FROM WITHIN HIS WHITE PEUGEOT BIPPER WHILST THE DOORS WERE OPEN AND THE VEHICLE WAS UNATTENDED.
Ward	Thorpe
Crime Reference Number	42/284458/22
Offence Description	Attempted Burglary - Residential - Non-Dwelling
Reported Date and Time	21/11/2022 10:12
Committed Date (From)	21/11/2022 10:12
Street partial postcode	THORPE ESPLANADE SS1 3
Offence Details (MO)	SUSPECTS UNKNOWN HAVE ATTEMPTED TO GAIN ENTRY TO THE VICTIMS BEACH HUT BY MEANS OF USING A JEMMY TO FORCE OPEN THE DOOR, CAUSING DAMAGE TO THE DOOR AND PAINTWORK.
Ward	Thorpe
Crime Reference Number	42/284534/22
Offence Description	Other criminal damage to a vehicle (Under £5,000)
Reported Date and Time	21/11/2022 11:14
Committed Date (From)	21/11/2022 08:30
Street partial postcode	LIFSTAN WAY SS1 2
Offence Details (MO)	SUSPECT UNKNOWN HAS SCRATCHED THE VICTIMS BLUE RENAULT CATUR BY UNKNOWN MEANS WHILST PARKED IN THE ROAD BY THE SCHOOL.

Ward	Thorpe
Crime Reference Number	42/288319/22

Offence Description Burglary - Business And Community
 Reported Date and Time 26/11/2022 09:32
 Committed Date (From) 26/11/2022 09:32
 Street partial postcode **EASTERN ESPLANADE SS1 2**
 Offence Details (MO)
 SUSPECT UNKNOWN GAINED ENTRY TO THE VICTIMS BEACH HUT BY MEANS UNKNOWN.

Ward **Thorpe**
 Crime Reference Number 42/288444/22
 Offence Description Burglary - Business And Community
 Reported Date and Time 26/11/2022 15:32
 Committed Date (From) 19/11/2022 12:00
 Street partial postcode **THORPE ESPLANADE SS1 3**
 Offence Details (MO)
 SUSPECTS UNKNOWN HAVE GAINED ENTRY TO A BEACH HUT BY CAUSING DAMAGE TO BARN DOOR BY BRUTE FORCE AND USING UNKNOWN IMPLEMENTS. TRASHED THE INSIDE BY DAMAGING FURNITURE AND THROWING PAINT ALL OVER AND STEALING VARIOUS ITEMS AND TOOLS FROM WITHIN, ESTIMATED VALUE GBP700.

Ward **Thorpe**
 Crime Reference Number 42/288564/22
 Offence Description Burglary - Business And Community
 Reported Date and Time 26/11/2022 19:46
 Committed Date (From) 26/11/2022 00:30
 Street partial postcode **THORPE ESPLANADE SS1 3**
 Offence Details (MO)
 SUSPECTS UNIDENTIFIED TRIED TO FORCE ENTRY TO THE BACK DOOR OF BEACH HUT, ATTACKING THE DOOR AND LOCKS. SUSPECTS FAILED TO ENTER THIS WAY. SUSPECTS SUCCESSFULLY FORCED ENTRY TO THE FRONT OF THE HUT. THEY STOLE TOWELS, TEA AND COFFEE FROM WITHIN.

Ward **Thorpe**
 Crime Reference Number 42/288798/22
 Offence Description Attempted Burglary - Business And Community
 Reported Date and Time 27/11/2022 11:05
 Committed Date (From) 26/11/2022
 Street partial postcode **THORPE ESPLANADE SS1 3**
 Offence Details (MO)
 SUSPECT UNKNOWN BY MEANS UNKNOWN HAS TRIED TO GAIN ACCESS TO THE REAR OF THE VICTIMS BEACH HUT. MULTIPLE BEACH HUTS HAVE BEEN DAMAGED AND BROKEN INTO. NOTHING HAS BEEN REPORTED AS STOLEN FROM THE VICTIMS BEACH HUT.

Ward **Thorpe**
 Crime Reference Number 42/288915/22
 Offence Description Burglary - Business And Community
 Reported Date and Time 27/11/2022 15:12
 Committed Date (From) 02/11/2022 00:01

Street partial postcode **THORPE ESPLANADE SS1 3**
 Offence Details (MO)
 SUSPECTS UNKNOWN HAVE ENTERED THE VICTIMS BEACH HUT BY UNKNOWN MEANS AND HAVE CAUSED DAMAGED AND LEFT ITEMS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN STOLEN FROM OTHER BEACH HUTS. SUSPECTS HAVE ALSO LEFT BEHIND A BAG OF WHITE POWDER AND A KNIFE.

Ward **West Shoebury**
 Crime Reference Number 42/287230/22
 Offence Description Burglary - Residential - Dwelling
 Reported Date and Time 24/11/2022 19:05
 Committed Date (From) 24/11/2022 14:30
 Street partial postcode **LEITRIM AVENUE SS3 9**
 Offence Details (MO)
 SUSPECTS HAVE FORCED OPEN A WINDOW LEAVING TOOL MARKS AND DAMAGE BEFORE CONDUCTING A MESSY SEARCH AND TAKING VARIOUS ITEMS OF JEWELLERY.

Ward **West Shoebury**
 Crime Reference Number 42/287620/22
 Offence Description Other criminal damage, other (Under £5,000)
 Reported Date and Time 25/11/2022 08:27
 Committed Date (From) 11/11/2022 17:00
 Street partial postcode **CRANLEY GARDENS SS3 9**
 Offence Details (MO)
 SUSPECT UNKNOWN HAS CUT THE VICTIMS PHONE LINE BY MEANS UNKNOWN.

Ward **West Shoebury**
 Crime Reference Number 42/288262/22
 Offence Description Other criminal damage, other (Under £5,000)
 Reported Date and Time 23/11/2022 17:37
 Committed Date (From) 23/11/2022 17:37
 Street partial postcode **WEST ROAD SS3 9**
 Offence Details (MO)
 THE SUSPECT HAS CAUSED DAMAGE TO THE VICTIMS WINDOW.

4) List of Applications Registered Week Ending 2nd December 2022

Application Number: 22/02218/TPO **Ward: Southchurch**
 Officer: Abbie Greenwood
 Reduce east side of canopy by 3m and reshape, crown lift to 3m and remove deadwood over 30mm to one Mana Ash Tree (T1); Crown thin by 10% and remove deadwood over 30mm to one Mana Ash Tree (T2); Reduce 4 taller stems by 3m and reshape from building, fell suppressed Red Maple sucker, remove deadwood over 30mm and remove epicormic growth to 4m to one Multi-stemmed Sycamore Tree (T3); Remove deadwood over 30mm and remove epicormic growth to 4m to three

Sycamore Trees (T4, T5, T6); Remove deadwood over 30mm to one Robinia Tree (T8) and one Sycamore Tree (T15); Reduce partially dead stem to 4m, reduce remaining exposed stem to same height and maintain as low pollard, remove ivy encroachment at base to one Sycamore Tree (T11); Remove low trunk growth on roadside and remove deadwood over 30mm to one Sycamore Tree (T13); Remove low trunk growth and crown lift on road side to 5m and remove deadwood over 30mm to one Common Horse Chestnut Tree (T14); Remove epicormic and basal growth to 4m to one Sweet Chestnut Tree (T19); Reduce south side of canopy by 2.5m, remove deadwood over 30mm, remove epicormic growth to 4m and remove back section of basal growth to one Holm Oak Tree (T20); Crown lift low canopy to 3m and reduce south side of canopy by 2m to one Common Lime Tree (T21); Crown lift low canopy over lawn to 3m and remove deadwood over 30mm to three Common Lime Trees (T24, T25, T26) and one Sycamore Tree (T29); Reduce to leave a 4m pollarded form for habitat to one Common Horse Chestnut Tree (T30); Crown lift low canopy to 2m, reduce by 2m and reshape one Small Leaved Lime Tree (T32); Reduce by 5m and reshape, remove deadwood over 30mm to one Sugar Gum Tree (T35); Reduce by 3m and reshape, remove deadwood over 30mm, crown thin by 10% to one Cherry Tree (T36); Crown lift low canopy over lawn to 2.5m to one Red Horse Chestnut Tree (T37); Reduce by 3m and reshape to balance one Red Maple Tree (T38)

Old Rectory Court Southchurch Rectory Chase Southend-on-Sea

Application Number: 22/02253/BC4

Ward: Southchurch

Officer: Abbie Greenwood

Erect three temporary portacabins for use ancillary to main school building (Retrospective)

Southchurch High School Southchurch Boulevard Southend-on-Sea

Application Number: 22/02250/FULH

Ward: Thorpe

Officer: Gabriella Fairley

Erect single storey rear extension with roof lantern (Part-Retrospective)

7 Warwick Road Thorpe Bay Essex

Application Number: 22/02249/AD

Ward: West Shoebury

Officer: Hayley Thompson

Application for approval of details pursuant to conditions 04 (details of parking), 05 (details of refuse, recycling and cycle storage) 06 (water efficient design measures) and 07 (details of hard and soft landscaping) of planning permission 21/02132/FUL dated 17.03.2022

Land At The Rear Of 9 And 11 Avon Way Shoeburyness

5) List of Decisions Issued Week Ending 27th November 2022

APPLN. NO: 22/01865/FULH

Ward. Southchurch

Officer: James Benn

ERECT SINGLE STOREY REAR EXTENSION

40 DALMATIA ROAD SOUTHEND-ON-SEA ESSEX

Decision: Grant Conditional Permission

APPLN. NO: 22/01871/FULH

Ward. Thorpe

Officer: Kara Elliott

ERECT SINGLE STOREY SIDE AND REAR EXTENSION, REPLACE EXISTING PUMP HOUSE TO REAR, ERECT NEW ADDITIONAL OUTBUILDING AND ERECT PERGOLA SEATING AREA TO REAR, ERECT SINGLE STOREY FRONT EXTENSION INCORPORATING NEW PORCH AND REPLACE WINDOWS AND DOORS TO FRONT

63 MARCUS AVENUE THORPE BAY ESSEX

Decision: Refuse Permission

APPLN. NO: 22/01874/FULH

Ward. Thorpe

Officer: James Benn

HIPPED TO HALF HIPPED ROOF EXTENSION WITH DORMERS TO REAR TO FORM HABITABLE ACCOMMODATION IN THE LOFTSPACE, REPLACE EXISTING FIRST FLOOR REAR DORMERS WITH NEW FIRST FLOOR REAR EXTENSION, ERECT SINGLE STOREY DETACHED OUTBUILDING TO REAR

74 PARKANAUR AVENUE THORPE BAY ESSEX

Decision: Refuse Permission

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