

E-Newsletter – 3rd February 2023

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1) Information Corner



BERA Coffee Morning

The next coffee morning will be on **Thursday 16th February 2023 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.

Renewal Time

Thank you to the members who have already renewed and just a reminder that memberships run yearly from 1st January to 31st December. **Please complete and return the renewal form, even if you pay by bank transfer (and quote your address in the reference section so we know who has paid)**, in order for us to have your up-to-date contact details. There are three ways for you to pay this year.

- 1) Online bank transfer from your bank account (please see our website for our new bank details)
- 2) £10 cash
- 3) £10 cheque (made payable to Burges Estate Residents Association)

Thank you.

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM for new and existing members

January - December 2023

Please pay £10 (indicate method of payment below):

- Cash
- Cheque payable to: “*Burges Estate Residents Association*”
- Bank transfer. (See payment page of www.bera.co.uk and quote your address in the reference section so we know who has paid)

(Please also complete and return this form even if you have paid by bank transfer)

Title (Mr, Mrs, Miss, Ms, Dr, Rev):

First Name:

Surname:

Address:

..... Post Code:.....

Telephone:

E-mail:

**Please return the completed form, with payment or bank transfer
box ticked, to:**

**Ron Woodley, Chair BERA
91 Tyrone Road, Southend-on-Sea, Essex, SS1 3HD**

BOB THE BORDER COLLIE

I consider myself intelligent because I round up sheep,
But now I find my Doggy friends have made a massive leap.
Some of them poo in a bag and even tie it up neat,
They even hang it in a bush or leave it in the street.

But now I come to think about it THEY did not do that trick,
Their owners did it for them, a positive good Tick.
But some of them seem not to care and leave me in a spin,
Why do they not take it home or put it in a bin.

Someone has to clear it up, it's not the caring thing to do,
Be considerate for others and clear up your doggy poo.
The majority of dog owners know exactly what to do,
So from BOB THE COLLIE DOG, a massive big thank you.!!

Highway and footway Updates for Thorpe, Southchurch and West Shoebury wards

There are no current planned footway resurfacing works.

Carriageway resurfacing works are planned for:

Elm Road (Entire length)

Junction Protection will commence in Southchurch ward from 31st February

2) National Corner

Almost half of working age households 'behind on or struggling with housing costs'

Almost half of working age households reported being either behind on or struggling with housing-related costs, according to a think tank. Figures by the Resolution Foundation show more than two in five (44 per cent) working-age households reported being either behind on or struggling with housing-related costs in November, an increase from 26 per cent during the depths of the Covid pandemic in January 2021.

Firefighters set to strike for first time since 2003

Firefighters are to go on strike in a row over pay after experiencing what they say is a cut in real-terms pay. Members of the Fire Brigade Union (FBU) voted for action in a ballot that closed yesterday – resulting in the UK's first nationwide fire service strike over pay since 2003.

New powers to curb strike disruption passed by MPs

MPs have approved plans aimed at enforcing minimum service levels for some sectors during strikes. Under the bill, some employees, including in the rail industry

and emergency services, would be required to work during industrial action. They could be sacked if they refuse.

Voter ID

Voter ID will be a legal requirement for elections in Great Britain from May onwards, however concerns have been raised about low numbers of people applying for a government-issued ID. The LGA said electoral administrators and returning officers had “not been given the appropriate time, resource, clarity and detailed guidance to implement any changes to the electoral process without risking access to the vote”.

Smoke control areas

Households in England could be fined up to £300 if they do not comply with log burner rules. New emissions regulations have reduced the amount of smoke new stoves can emit per hour from 5g to 3g, and anyone found to be breaking the new measures could be issued with an on-the-spot fine.

UK interest rates to rise

The Bank of England is expected to raise interest rates for the 10th time in a row. The benchmark rate is widely expected to go up from 3.5 per cent to 4 per cent after the Monetary Policy Committee meeting today and is already at its highest level for 14 years.

Water bills to rise

Water bills are set to rise by 7.5 per cent increase in April, meaning customers will pay on average £31 more than last year. The annual bill for an average household in England and Wales will hit £448, industry body Water UK has said.

3) Crime Report 23rd to 29th January 2023

Ward	Southchurch
Crime Reference Number	42/13425/23
Offence Description	Burglary - Residential - Dwelling
Reported Date and Time	23/01/2023 08:31
Committed Date (From)	23/01/2023 02:00
Street partial postcode	SHERWOOD WAY SS2 4
Offence Details (MO)	SUSPECT UNKNOWN HAS STOLEN THE VICTIMS VEHICLE AND THEN RETURNED TO THE VICTIMS ADDRESS FORCING ENTRY VIA THE FRONT DOOR, ASSAULTING THE VICTIM REPEATEDLY BEFORE STEALING THE VICTIMS WALLET, HOUSE KEYS AND MOBILE PHONE. REMOVED -BLUE FORD FIESTA INDEX WA57SXJ.

Ward	Southchurch
Crime Reference Number	42/14735/23
Offence Description	Theft from a motor vehicle
Reported Date and Time	25/01/2023 15:26

Committed Date (From) 25/01/2023
Street partial postcode **GLYNDE WAY SS2 4**
Offence Details (MO)
SUSPECT UNKNOWN HAS STOLEN THE REAR NUMBER PLATE FROM THE VICTIMS SILVER FORD FOCUS.

Ward **Southchurch**
Crime Reference Number 42/16183/23
Offence Description Burglary - Residential - Dwelling
Reported Date and Time 27/01/2023 18:52
Committed Date (From) 27/01/2023 17:00
Street partial postcode **POYNINGS AVENUE SS2 4**
Offence Details (MO)
SUSPECT UNKNOWN HAS GAINED ENTRY TO THE VICTIMS PROPERTY BY DAMAGING THE BACK DOOR. ONCE INSIDE A MESSY SEARCH HAS BEEN CONDUCTED AND MONEY TO THE VALUE OF 170GBP HAS BEEN STOLEN.

Ward **Thorpe**
Crime Reference Number 42/13288/23
Offence Description Other criminal damage to a residence (Under £5,000)
Reported Date and Time 02/01/2023 21:36
Committed Date (From) 02/01/2023 14:41
Street partial postcode **THE BROADWAY SS1 3**
Offence Details (MO)
SUSPECTS UNKNOWN HAVE DAMAGED THE WINDOW BY MEANS UNKNOWN, VALUE UNKNOWN.

Ward **Thorpe**
Crime Reference Number 42/16411/23
Offence Description Theft of a motor vehicle
Reported Date and Time 28/01/2023 12:31
Committed Date (From) 27/01/2023 18:30
Street partial postcode **THORPE BAY GARDENS SS1 3**
Offence Details (MO)
SUSPECTS UNKNOWN HAVE REMOVED THE VICTIMS RANGE ROVER INDEX, BK68ZPZ, FROM THEIR DRIVEWAY BY UNKNOWN MEANS.

Ward **Thorpe**
Crime Reference Number 42/16439/23
Offence Description Theft of a motor vehicle
Reported Date and Time 25/01/2023 11:32
Committed Date (From) 23/01/2023
Street partial postcode **BUTTERYS SS1 3**
Offence Details (MO)
SUSPECTS UNKNOWN HAVE STOLEN VICTIMS BLACK TOYOTA RAV 4 INDEX NUMBER, EK21ONZ, BY MEANS UNKNOWN.

Ward **West Shoebury**
Crime Reference Number 42/13278/23

Offence Description Aggravated Burglary - Residential - Dwelling
Reported Date and Time 22/01/2023 23:20
Committed Date (From) 22/01/2023 23:20
Street partial postcode **BUNTERS AVENUE SS3 9**
Offence Details (MO)
SUSPECT NAMED HAS THREATENED TO USE A METAL BASEBALL BAT ON THE VICTIM AND ATTENDED VICTIMS ADDRESS WITH A BAT CAUSING THE VICTIM TO FEAR VIOLENCE.

Ward **West Shoebury**
Crime Reference Number 42/15795/23
Offence Description Theft or Unauthorised Taking of a Pedal Cycle
Reported Date and Time 27/01/2023 10:51
Committed Date (From) 27/01/2023 10:51
Street partial postcode **BLYTH AVENUE SS3 9**
Offence Details (MO)
SUSPECTS UNKNOWN HAVE STOLEN 2X BICYCLES FROM THE COMMON AREA OF AN APARTMENT BLOCK. STOLEN -BLUE HEIST MOUNTAIN BIKE 'DIAMONDBACK HEIST' - LIGHT BLUE BRIGHT ORANGE BRANDING TAPE ON THE SEAT -£1200 : STOLEN -GREY KRAKEN MOUNTAIN BIKE 'CARRERA KRAKEN' - DARK GREY/BLUE WITH BRIGHT GREEN BRANDING STICKERS. LOTS OF WEAR ON FRONT SUSPENSION FORK FROM WHERE THE BRAKE CABLE RUBBED AS BRACKET IS MISSING - £450.

Ward **West Shoebury**
Crime Reference Number 42/16302/23
Offence Description Burglary - Residential - Non-Dwelling
Reported Date and Time 28/01/2023 08:01
Committed Date (From) 27/01/2023 14:30
Street partial postcode **BISHOPSTEIGNTON SS3 8**
Offence Details (MO)
SUSPECTS UNKNOWN FORCED ENTRY INTO A SECURE GARAGE USING UNKNOWN IMPLEMENT TO CAUSE DAMAGE TO PADLOCKS AND DOOR LOCK. ONCE INSIDE, REMOVED TWO MALE FRAME PEDAL CYCLES VALUED AT GBP 1300 AND SET OF GOLF CLUBS NUZUM GBP 1000 AND BLUE PING GOLF BAG VALUED AT GBP 110. AT LOCATION ADDRESS.

Ward **West Shoebury**
Crime Reference Number 42/16391/23
Offence Description Burglary - Residential - Non-Dwelling
Reported Date and Time 28/01/2023 11:30
Committed Date (From) 27/01/2023 18:30
Street partial postcode **CORNWORTHY SS3 8**
Offence Details (MO)
SUSPECT UNKNOWN HAS GAINED ACCESS TO THE VICTIMS SECURE GARAGE BY CUTTING THE LOCK AND REMOVED AN ELECTRIC BIKE VALUE 2000GBP AND AN ELECTRIC SCOOTER VALUE 200GBP FROM WITHIN.

4) List of Applications Registered Week Ending 3rd February 2023

Application Number: 23/00145/AMDT **Ward: Southchurch**
Officer: Scott Davison
Application to vary/remove conditions 03, 04, 07 and 08 - to facilitate the change from bungalow to an ancillary annex and to allow the annex to be fully rendered (Minor Material Amendment of Planning Permission 18/02280/FUL dated 23/08/2019)
64 Southchurch Boulevard Southend-on-sea Essex

Application Number: 23/00123/FULH **Ward: Thorpe**
Officer: Hayley Thompson
Erect single storey rear extension, convert loftspace into habitable accommodation
82 St James Avenue Thorpe Bay Essex

Application Number: 23/00141/AD **Ward: Thorpe**
Officer: Gabriella Fairley
Application for approval of details pursuant to conditions 04 (refuse and recycling storage and secure cycle parking), 06 (10% renewables) and 08 (hard and soft landscaping) of planning permission 21/02520/FUL dated 15/03/2022
118 Ambleside Drive Southend-on-sea Essex

Application Number: 21/02292/OUTM **Ward: West Shoebury**
Officer: Abbie Greenwood
Demolish existing building (Class E), redevelop site with up to 8 residential dwellings (Class C3) with associated parking and form vehicular access onto Ness Road (Outline Application)
Norton Place 162 Ness Road Shoeburyness

Application Number: 23/00132/FULH **Ward: West Shoebury**
Officer: Abbie Greenwood
Erect part single/part two storey side and rear extension, install juliet balcony to rear, alter elevations (Amended Proposal)
69 St Andrews Road Shoeburyness Southend-on-sea

Application Number: 23/00134/FULH **Ward: West Shoebury**
Officer: Gabriella Fairley
Erect single storey rear extension and part convert garage into habitable accommodation
10 Stroma Gardens Shoeburyness Southend-on-sea

Application Number: 23/00137/FULH **Ward: West Shoebury**
Officer: Jennifer Doherty
Erect single storey front and rear extensions
97 Bishopsteignton Shoeburyness Essex

Application Number: 23/00142/FULH **Ward: West Shoebury**
Officer: Jennifer Doherty

Erect single storey detached outbuilding in rear garden
14 Lodwick Shoeburyness Southend-on-sea

5) List of Decisions Issued Week Ending 29th January 2023

APPLN. NO: 22/02353/FULH

Ward. Thorpe

Officer: Kara Elliott

ERECT PART SINGLE/PART TWO STOREY SIDE/REAR EXTENSION WITH HIP TO GABLE END ROOF EXTENSION, PORCH EXTENSION TO FRONT, ALTER SIDE ELEVATION AND PARTIALLY CONVERT DETACHED GARAGE AT REAR FOR USE AS GAMES ROOM AND CAR PORT (AMENDED PROPOSAL)

56 PARKANAUR AVENUE THORPE BAY ESSEX

Decision: Grant Conditional Permission

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