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1) Information Corner



BERA Coffee Morning

Thank you to all who attended yesterday's coffee morning. The next one will be on **Thursday 20th April 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 - Renew by 31st March 2023

Thank you to the members who have already renewed as without your support, we would not be able to continue to do the work we do to keep the Estate to great place it is to live and work in.

There are three ways for you to pay this year and please renew by 31st March 2023.

- 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)



BELLWAY DUMPED IMPORTED CONTAMINATED SOIL ON ITS HOUSING SITE

Bellway Homes will pay £100,000 to environmental charities in the North East as a redress for dumping contaminated soil at one of its sites in Northumberland.

Bellway Homes imported 2,688 cubic metres of contaminated waste soil onto its St Mary's Park housing site near Stannington.

The waste soil – containing wood, metal, wire cables, rubber, plastic and vehicle tyres – came from another one of its developments at nearby Five Mile Park.

Bellway said the waste soil was shipped in to build a soil bund around an attenuation pond at St Mary's Park.

In February 2019, an Environment Agency officer attended the site after receiving a report of illegal waste activity.

An enforcement notice was subsequently issued requiring the waste to be removed from the pond area to a permitted waste facility for disposal during July and August 2020.

Bellway Homes committed to an Enforcement Undertaking that will see it improve awareness of the law in relation to soils and waste and review its protocols to prevent future issues.

As part of the voluntary offer made by companies and individuals to make amends for offending, they make a donation to an environmental charity to carry out improvements in the local area.

Bellway Homes will pay £50,000 to Northumberland Wildlife Trust, £30,000 to Wear Rivers Trust and £20,000 to Tyne Rivers Trust.

BERA AGM - Thursday 30th March 2023 – 7.30pm St Augustine's Church Hall We are holding our BERA Annual General Meeting on Thursday 30th March 2023, where we will be discussing the previous year and our way forward as an association.

Updates from Parking

Rayleigh Road car park - Charges are due to be introduced into this busy Zone 3 car park from 1st April 2023.

Customers will be able to park for up to 1 hour at nil charge. Customers must either obtain a ticket or must have validated their visit via one of the parking apps. This will evidence that the customer has utilised the nil charge.

Those wishing to use the car park for longer periods of time will be able to pay at the machine, Pay by Phone or use the Southend Pass (£10 a month for up to 3 hours per day in any zone) after the first hour. Alternatively, there will be a limited amount of or Season Ticket's that will be available for £275.00 per year.



Charging until 9pm in Zone 1a agreed (along the central seafront)

There will be a change to the charging times alone the seafront in the 1A Zone. These will now be chargeable until 21:00 and enforced by our Civil Enforcement Officers accordingly.

Charges to be introduced in parks car parks

Big Gunners, Little Gunners and Jones' Memorial Grounds all benefitting from 3 hours free. These car parks will come on-line at a later date with full details being communicated closer to the consultation date.

Vehicle Crossing applications have reopened

Following a review and update of our procedures, the Vehicle Crossing applications process has now reopened for all applications.

Now being delivered by the Traffic and Highway Team. Should you have any queries regarding how to apply, please visit our website at Vehicle Crossovers – Southendon-Sea City Council.

Should you have a query relating to an application that has been submitted, please complete the "Vehicle Crossing Enquiry" MySouthend form.

Ward Updates

Southchurch, Thorpe, Shoeburyness and West Shoebury Wards

School Keep Clear markings will be re-lined on Wentworth Road and Ladram Road.

School Keep Clear markings will be re-lined on New Garrison Road.



Donate an Easter Egg Challenge 1000

One Love Soup Kitchen in Southend wants to donate 1000 Easter Eggs to 1000 homeless and vulnerable people and families facing hard times. If you would like to donate and Easter Egg or Eggs, please deliver to:

- Hollybrook site, One Love Soup Kitchen, Carnarvon Close, Southend-on-Sea, SS2 6EU - 11-6pm Mondays & Thursdays until 1st April
- Mecca Bingo, Greyhound Estate, Southend-on-Sea, SS2 5PY 11-3pm Wednesday 17th & 24th March
- Johnson's, 338 London Road, Hadleigh, SS7 2BY 8-4pm Weekdays
- Friars Baptist Church, Eagle Way, Shoeburyness, SS3 9RJ 10-1pm Thursday 16th, 23rd, 30th March



Thorpe Bay Horticultural Society

Saturday 1st April is Thorpe Bay Horticultural Societies flower and homecraft show, as well as it being their 75th Anniversary.

Please pop along to their show where there will be a bric a brac table, plant and book stalls and refreshments. Doors open at 2.15pm.



THORPE BAY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY FLOWER AND HOMECRAFT SHOW

AT ST AUGUSTINE'S CHURCH HALL JOHNSTONE ROAD THORPE BAY

SATURDAY: 1ST APRIL

AT 2.15pm

Admission £1 Members free







2) National Corner

£63 million lifeline to keep pools afloat

The Chancellor will announce £63 million of new money will be made available to leisure centres with pools in a one-year-fund, as part of this year's Spring Budget, after concerns some may need to close or reduce opening hours due to rising costs. There are more than 2,000 public leisure centres in England, over 800 of which have pools.

Energy bills support to last until summer

Chancellor Jeremy Hunt has announced that the Government will extend the Energy Price Guarantee for another three months, as part of the Budget. Typical household energy bills had been due to rise to £3,000 a year from April, but instead the cap will be kept at £2,500 until the end of June.

Budget cash for swimming pools

Leisure centres with swimming pools will be receive £63 million as part of the Budget, to ease pressure on the leisure sector caused by rising energy and maintenance costs.

Pothole funding increased

The Government has provided an additional £200 million for pothole repairs due to increasing levels of inflation and recent poor weather making repairs more expensive for councils. The Chancellor said the Government's Potholes Fund will be increased to £700 million in the 2023/24 financial year. The news comes as previous LGA analysis showed that Government funding for maintaining England's motorways and major A roads was 31 times higher per mile than for repairing local roads last year.

Britain falls to 29th in global life expectancy ratings

The UK now ranks 29th in a global chart of life expectancy, falling from 7th in 1952 according to the University of Oxford. Researchers warned that the UK was slipping down the global ranks, performing worse over the past seven decades than all G7 countries except the USA.

House prices fall by 10 per cent

Property prices will fall by 10 per cent this year because of a collapse in sales after mortgage rate rises and the squeeze on incomes, the Office for Budget Responsibility (OBR) have predicted. The OBR predicted that price falls would increase by more than expected, reaching £262,700 for an average home in the third quarter of 2024, which is lower than its previous prediction of £263,600.

Substandard bridges

One in 24 local road bridges cannot carry the heaviest vehicles, according to figures from the RAC Foundation. Local authorities found 3,090 bridges were substandard at the end of 2022, meaning they are too weak to be used by 44-tonne lorries. Councils reported 14 partial collapses during the 2021/22 financial year.

NHS unions pay deal

A pay deal has been reached between NHS unions and the Government that could



see the end of industrial action in England. The offer includes a one-off payment of two per cent of salary, plus a COVID-19 recovery bonus of four per cent and a five per cent pay increase for 2023/24. The deal will apply to NHS key workers including nurses and paramedics, but not junior doctors whose separate pay dispute is ongoing.

Coronation to be screened

The King's coronation in May will be screened at more than 30 public sites across the UK, as more than £1 million has been made available by the Department for Culture, Media and Sport. Cities including London, Cardiff and Belfast will show the event live on Saturday 6 May, with local authorities selected being able to choose between using the funding for one larger screen or a number of smaller sites.

3) Crime Report 6th to 12th March 2023

Ward Southchurch Crime Reference Number 42/44194/23

Offence Description Theft of a motor vehicle Reported Date and Time 11/03/2023 23:42 Committed Date (From) 11/03/2023 22:00

Street partial postcode SHERWOOD WAY SS2 4

Offence Details (MO)

SUSPECT UNKNOWN REMOVED THE VICTIMS SYM CROX 125 MOTORCYCLE, INDEX EU15BXS, WITHOUT THE VICTIMS CONSENT.

Ward Thorpe
Crime Reference Number 42/40854/23

Offence Description Theft from a motor vehicle

Reported Date and Time 07/03/2023 07:00 Committed Date (From) 06/03/2023 19:00

Street partial postcode EASTERN ESPLANADE SS1 3

Offence Details (MO)

SUSPECTS UNKNOWN HAVE GAINED ENTRY TO THE VICTIMS SECURED VEHICLE, A WHITE FORD TRANSIT BY CUTTING ROUND THE DEADLOCK IN THE SIDE DOOR AND THEN PULLING BACK THE DOOR. ONCE INSIDE HAVE MADE A THOROUGH SEARCH AND REMOVED ITEMS. STOLEN - ELECTRICIANS TOOLS: STOLEN - GREEN SPORTS / RUCKSACK: STOLEN - 12 VOLT SCREWDRIVER SCREWDRIVER: STOLEN - JIGSAW: STOLEN - LED WORK LIGHT LIGHTING SET: STOLEN - RED LASER: STOLEN - COMBI DRILL DRILL - ELECTRIC: STOLEN - COMI-TOOL ELECTRICIANS TOOLS: STOLEN - GREEN LASER: STOLEN - HAMMER DRILL DRILL - ELECTRIC: STOLEN - GRINDER/ANGLE GRINDER: STOLEN - BATTERIES: STOLEN - FAST CHARGER BATTERY CHARGER: STOLEN - BATTERY CHARGER: STOLEN - MULTI-FUNCTION TESTER ELECTRICAL TEST METER: STOLEN - TOOL BOX.

Ward Thorpe
Crime Reference Number 42/40880/23

Offence Description Interference with a motor vehicle

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Reported Date and Time 07/03/2023 08:43 Committed Date (From) 07/03/2023 08:43

Street partial postcode EASTERN ESPLANADE SS1 3

Offence Details (MO)

SUSPECT UNKNOWN HAS CAUSED CONSIDERABLE DAMAGE TO THE VICTIMS VAUXHALL VIVARO BY RIPPING A HOLE IN THE SIDE DOOR WHILE TRYING TO GAIN ENTRY.

Ward Thorpe
Crime Reference Number 42/42158/23

Offence Description Theft of a motor vehicle

Reported Date and Time 09/03/2023 08:22 Committed Date (From) 08/03/2023 22:30

Street partial postcode SHAFTESBURY AVENUE SS1 3

Offence Details (MO)

SUSPECTS UNKNOWN HAVE STOLEN FORD TRANSIT, INDEX ND58AKX,

WITHOUT KEYS.

Ward Thorpe
Crime Reference Number 42/42249/23

Offence Description Other criminal damage to a vehicle (Under £5,000)

Reported Date and Time 09/03/2023 11:10 Committed Date (From) 07/03/2023 23:05

Street partial postcode EASTERN ESPLANADE SS1 2

Offence Details (MO)

SUSPECT UNIDENTIFIED HAS PUNCHED, KICKED AND HEADBUTTED VICTIMS MERCEEDES SPRINTER VAN CAUSING DAMAGE AND DENTS VALUED AT 1000GBP.

Ward Thorpe
Crime Reference Number 42/42397/23

Offence Description Other criminal damage, other (Under £5,000)

Reported Date and Time 09/03/2023 14:52

Committed Date (From) 09/03/2023

Street partial postcode NORTHUMBERLAN D CRESCENT SS1 2

Offence Details (MO)

SUSPECTS UNKNOWN HAVE DAMAGED THE TURNSTILE AT THE FOOTBALL GROUND TRYING TO OPEN IT.

Ward West Shoebury
Crime Reference Number 42/40182/23

Offence Description Other criminal damage to a residence (Under

£5,000)

Reported Date and Time 04/03/2023 21:33 Committed Date (From) 04/03/2023 20:00

Street partial postcode RICHMOND AVENUE SS3 9

Offence Details (MO)

SUSPECTS UNKNOWN HAVE THROWN STONES AT THE VICTIMS WINDOW CAUSING IT TO SMASH.



Ward West Shoebury Crime Reference Number 42/40339/23

Offence Description Other criminal damage to a residence (Under

£5,000)

Reported Date and Time 05/03/2023 21:27 Committed Date (From) 05/03/2023 21:27

Street partial postcode CAULFIELD ROAD SS3 9

Offence Details (MO)

SUSPECTS UNKNOWN HAVE USED UNKNOWN MEANS TO SHOOT WHAT IS BELIEVED TO BE A BB PELLET SHOT THROUGH THEIR LIVING ROOM DOUBLE GLAZED WINDOW, WHICH WILL REQUIRE A FULL REPLACEMENT.

4) <u>List of Applications Registered Week Ending 17th</u> March 2023

Application Number: 23/00349/FULH Ward: Thorpe

Officer: Hayley Thompson

Erect single storey rear extension

165 Shaftesbury Avenue Southend-on-sea Essex

Application Number: 23/00352/FULH Ward: Thorpe

Officer: Hayley Thompson

Erect part single/part two storey side and rear extension, install dormer to rear, solar

panels to side of roof slope, roof terrace and Juliet balcony to rear and alter

elevations (Amended Proposal)

27 St Augustines Avenue Thorpe Bay Essex

Application Number: 23/00356/FULH Ward: Thorpe

Officer: James Benn

Erect dormer to side and install rooflights to side and rear to form habitable

accommodation in loftspace

74 Parkanaur Avenue Thorpe Bay Essex

Application Number: 23/00386/FULH Ward: West Shoebury

Officer: Kara Elliott

Erect part single storey side/front extension and convert exiting garage into store with porch area to front, first floor side extension and alterations to elevations

88 Maplin Way Thorpe Bay Essex

Application Number: 23/00395/FULH Ward: West Shoebury

Officer: James Benn

Erect single storey side/rear extension

17 Thorpedene Gardens Shoeburyness Southend-on-sea

Prior Notifications

The application(s) below are for prior approval of details submitted pursuant to exercising permitted development rights granted by the General Permitted



Development Order 1995. If further information is required, please contact the case officer for an explanation or clarification.

Application Number: 23/00418/GPDE Ward: Thorpe

Officer: Hayley Thompson

Erect single storey rear extension, projecting 5m beyond the existing rear wall of the dwelling, 3m high to eaves and with a maximum height of 3m (amended proposal)

92 Brunswick Road Southend-on-sea Essex

5) <u>List of Decisions Issued Week Ending 12th March 2023</u>

APPLN. NO: 22/02367/FULH Ward. Thorpe

Officer: Jennifer Doherty

ERECT SINGLE STORY REAR AND SIDE EXTENSION
14 BRUNSWICK ROAD SOUTHEND-ON-SEA ESSEX

Decision: Grant Conditional Permission

APPLN. NO: 22/02466/FULH Ward. Thorpe

Officer: James Benn

ERECT FIRST FLOOR EXTENSION TO REAR AND FIRST FLOOR BALCONY TO

REAR. ERECT DORMER TO SIDE AND ALTER THE ELEVATIONS

146 JOHNSTONE ROAD THORPE BAY ESSEX

Decision: Grant Conditional Permission

APPLN. NO: 23/00065/FULH Ward. Thorpe

Officer: James Benn

ERECT SINGLE STOREY SIDE EXTENSION, PARTIALLY CONVERT GARAGE INTO HABITABLE ACCOMMODATION AND ALTERATIONS TO FRONT AND

REAR ELEVATIONS

92 ST AUGUSTINES AVENUE THORPE BAY ESSEX

Decision: Grant Conditional Permission

APPLN. NO: 23/00066/FULH Ward. Thorpe

Officer: Jennifer Doherty

INSTALL DORMER TO REAR TO FORM HABITABLE ACCOMMODATION IN LOFTSPACE, ALTER FRONT ELEVATION AND INSTALL 6NO. PV/SOLAR

PANELS (AMENDED PROPOSAL)

153 BURGES ROAD THORPE BAY ESSEX

Decision: Grant Conditional Permission

APPLN. NO: 22/02230/FULH Ward. West Shoebury

Officer: James Benn

HIPPED TO GABLE ROOF EXTENSION WITH DORMER TO REAR TO FORM

HABITABLE ACCOMMODATION IN THE LOFTSPACE

52 HERBERT ROAD SHOEBURYNESS SOUTHEND-ON-SEA

Decision: Grant Conditional Permission



APPLN. NO: 23/00134/FULH

Ward. West Shoebury

Officer: Gabriella Fairley

ERECT SINGLE STOREY REAR EXTENSION, PART CONVERT GARAGE INTO HABITABLE ACCOMMODATION AND INFILL FRONT CANOPY TO FORM PORCH

10 STROMA GARDENS SHOEBURYNESS SOUTHEND-ON-SEA

Decision: Grant Conditional Permission

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