

E-Newsletter – 25th August 2023

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The Broadway Shopping Area

Dear Member

The public consultation dates for the Traffic Order scheme at The Broadway, Thorpe Bay are as follows: **29th August – 19th September 2023**. Notices will be put up and letters dropped on the date the consultation begins.

You are able to view the full proposals from **29th August 2023** at the Civic Centre during normal office hours, or, online on the Councils Website www.southend.gov.uk/tro or via the Map Based Traffic Order system Traff Web App via the consultation page <https://southend.traffweb.app/traffweb/2/PublicConsultation>.

All comments received during the statutory consultation will need to be sent to TraffWeb@southend.gov.uk - this is so that they can produce an accurate report to show they have considered all comments when implementing the scheme – which is a legal requirement.

Regards

Ron

Information Corner



Save the Date!!

Who: **BERA**

What: **Coffee Morning**

Where: **Thorpe Bay Methodist Church** (corner of The Broadway and Johnstone Road).

When: **Thursday 21st September 2023 at 10.00am to midday**

Please join us for engaging chats and laughter, accompanied by free tea, coffee, homemade cakes and biscuits. We will be bringing stretchy keychains to keep your purses safe.

Bring along a friend and we look forward to welcoming you once again.

Planning Application - 23/00782/FUL - 122 The Broadway Thorpe Bay Southend-On-Sea Essex SS1 3ES

As you are aware, on our e-newsletter dated 22nd July 2023 we advised you that the council had received a planning application for the above property.

It was to erect two additional floors to building and three storey side and rear extension, form penthouse apartment with roof terraces to top two floors and convert first and second floors into eight self contained flats with balconies.

I also want to make you aware that as your ward councillors, both Mike Stafford and I are only able to call this into the planning committee, which we have done.

We will of course, keep you informed as soon as we hear anything further.

AGM Change of Date

After our last AGM in March, we contacted all members via e-newsletter and paper newsletter to ask for your thoughts on changing our AGM date to the end of April.

Thank you to all of the members who replied and you all agreed on the change of date, which was then discussed and agreed by our committee at our last meeting. Therefore, the new AGM date will be the last Tuesday in the month of April. The constitution will be amended accordingly and ratified at our next AGM in April 2024.

Transforming tennis in public parks for Southend residents

Work is almost complete on the refurbishment of ten tennis courts located in five public parks across Southend.

The tennis courts are located at Southchurch Park, Bonchurch Park, Cavendish Gardens, Milton Gardens and Shoebury Park. Gunners Park has also had a smart gate system installed to enable online bookings.

The project has seen £275,000 of investment by the UK Government and LTA Tennis Foundation, delivered by the LTA, with £40,000 also invested by the council.

The work will breathe new life into park tennis courts across the city and help ensure that quality facilities are available for Southend residents and open up the sport to many more people.

The council will also work with Fusion Lifestyle to deliver a range of activities across the park sites including weekly organised free park tennis sessions for all ages, playing levels and experience, where equipment is provided. This means that people will not need someone to play with or to have their own racket. Local Tennis Leagues will also provide friendly, sociable, opportunities to get active through local competition.

Julie Porter, Chief Operating Officer at the LTA, added: “We are delighted to be working with Southend-on-Sea City Council to improve their park tennis facilities and provide more opportunities for anyone to pick up a racket and get active.

Work on sites started in April 2023 and is anticipated to be completed by September 2023.

All courts and sessions at Southchurch Park, Bonchurch Park, Cavendish Gardens, Milton Gardens, Shoebury Park and Gunners Park will be available to book online via the LTA website.

For annual membership and Pay and Play bookings, visit the Southend Parks tennis website.

Southend Police Station open day

We’re holding an open day at Southend Police Station next month so you can learn about what goes on behind the scenes, speak to our officers about what they do and tell them of any issues which concern you.

We’ll also be running tours of our custody suite, you’ll be able to see how an Open Gate weapons detector operates and our crime scene investigators (CSIs) will provide you with a unique view of a ‘crime scene’.

As well as officers from Southend Community Policing Team, you’ll be able to talk with firearms officers, CSIs and officers from our Marine Unit, Drones Team and Dog Section and meet a police dog – subject to operational availability, of course.

If you've just got your A-Level, BTEC or T-Level results and are considering a career in policing, come along and ask our officers what the job is like.

You can also find out more on our Careers webpages.

On the day, you'll also be able to speak with staff from East of England Ambulance Service and Essex County Fire and Rescue Service plus staff and volunteers from SAVS, the Southend Association of Voluntary Services.

Just turn up anytime between 11am and 3pm on Saturday 9 September at the front of our police station in Victoria Avenue SS2 6ES – between the magistrates' court and Civic Centre.

The police station is surrounded by car parks so take a look at the city council's map to see which one is best for you.

Of course, you don't have to come to our open day to be able to speak to our police officers.

You can stop and talk to them when you see them out on patrol in your area or you can report non-urgent crime and anti-social behaviour via our website where you can also use Live Chat to speak to an online operator. Alternatively, you can ring 101.

Always ring 999 if it's an emergency.

Crime prevention advice - Protect your bike

Bikes are often targeted by thieves, help protect yours.

Bike tags contain a chip with a unique code that can be read by a suitable scanner. The chip does not have a GPS function and can only be used for identification not tracking. It is not a GPS. You can also register your bikes for free with Bike Register.

For more information on how property marking works, the different methods you can use, the recommended items to mark and how to register them for free visit Southend Police website.

Be fraud smart

Have you been asked to pay an upfront fee to pay for training for a new job?
Stop, challenge, protect

Be aware of potential fake profiles on social media offering jobs and always do your research.

We have more advice on how you can protect yourself from becoming a victim of fraud on Southend Police website.

Festival map revealed for Southend City Jam – 1st to 3rd September

Final preparations are coming together for this year's Southend City Jam, Europe's largest free street art festival.

From 1- 3 September 2023, the city will come alive with vibrant street art, live music, and delicious street food. A festival map has been released to showcase the wealth of activities going on throughout the City Centre, and this year will see the excitement spill onto the seafront and Southend Pier.

At the Pier, 31 incredible street artists will be doing their thing live, while festivalgoers can indulge in a diverse selection of street food, and live music from a range of solo, duo, and acoustic bands, as well as other local musicians and performers.

For budding artists, the festival presents an exciting new opportunity to leave their mark as well. Mini cubes designed for kids to paint will be dotted around the festival site, allowing young talents to express themselves and build a love for art from an early age. Southend City Jam isn't just about showcasing art – it's about creating it too!

Further information regarding the event, including full details of all the artists involved, volunteering, and sponsorship opportunities can be found on the website, www.southendcityjam.co.uk

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THORPE BAY

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

***FLOWER AND
HOMECRAFT SHOW***

AT ST AUGUSTINE'S CHURCH HALL

JOHNSTONE ROAD THORPE BAY

SATURDAY: 9th SEPTEMBER

AT 2.15pm

Admission £1 Members free



1) National Corner

New COVID variant

A new COVID variant that is causing concern among scientists has been detected in London. The first was reported in Israel, with the variant since being detected in Denmark and the US.

Energy bills forecast to fall

Energy prices are forecast to drop by 7 per cent from October, taking typical annual bills below £2,000 for the first time in a year. Analysts at Cornwall Insight have predicted that bills will drop to £1,926 a year due to lower wholesale gas and electricity costs in recent months.

Energy bill debts

Thousands more people will start the winter behind on their energy bills, Citizens Advice has warned. A total of 46,431 people with energy debts contacted the charity for advice in the first six months of 2023, a 17 per cent increase on the same period last year.

Water body health check delayed

A nationwide annual health check of England's water bodies has been delayed by six years. The assessments, undertaken by the Environment Agency, look at the ecological and chemical condition of rivers, lakes, groundwater, and transitional and coastal waters.

250,000 families homeless as councils run out of temporary accommodation

A new national homelessness study by charity Crisis and Heriot-Watt University shows nearly a quarter of a million households (242,000) in England are experiencing the worst forms of homelessness, including sleeping on the streets, staying on friends and families' sofas or in unsuitable temporary accommodation such as nightly paid B&Bs and hotels, an increase of 10 per cent in the last two years. The 2023 Homelessness Monitor finds 85 per cent of councils across England are facing an increase in people experiencing homelessness, the highest number in any year since the survey began in 2012.

Channel migrant boat tally hits new daily record

More than 18,000 migrants have arrived in Britain this year by crossing the English Channel, with a record number of boats on Monday. Home Office data showed 661 people made the crossing that day, the third-highest daily figure so far this year.

Harmful microplastics in products face UK ban

Ministers are reportedly weighing up plans to ban harmful microplastics from everyday products such as washing-up liquid, toothpaste and cosmetics. The Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs is looking at a total or partial ban on the use of the particles, which measure less than five millimetres in diameter and have a huge impact on the environment, in a move which businesses warn could lead to price rises.

UK bill for housing asylum seekers ‘to hit £5bn a year by end of next parliament’

A report by the Institute for Public Policy Research thinktank has found Britain’s bill for housing asylum seekers will climb to more than £5 billion a year by the end of the next parliament.

Half of renters ‘are only one paycheque away’ from potentially losing their home, says housing charity

A study by Shelter has found half of private renters in England are only “one paycheque away” from potentially losing their home. Some 51 per cent of private renters surveyed by the housing charity were at risk of not being able to pay a fully month’s rent.

Charity says cuts to PE should be national concern

The Youth Sport Trust says cuts to the number of hours England’s secondary school pupils spend doing physical education and sport “should be a matter of immediate national concern”. Government figures show 4,000 hours were lost in state-funded schools in the last academic year.

2) Crime Report 14th to 20th August 2023

Ward	Southchurch
Crime Reference Number	42/146583/23
Offence Description	Robbery (of Personal Property)
Reported Date and Time	17/08/2023 18:02
Committed Date (From)	17/08/2023 18:00
Street partial postcode	POYNINGS AVENUE SS2 4
Offence Details (MO)	SUSPECTS UNKNOWN HAVE ATTEMPTED TO TAKE THE VICTIMS SCOOTER AND HAVE STOLEN THE VICTIMS VAPE AFTER HITTING THE VICTIM ROUND THE HEAD.

Ward	Thorpe
Crime Reference Number	42/145871/23
Offence Description	Theft from a motor vehicle
Reported Date and Time	16/08/2023 13:37
Committed Date (From)	01/03/2023
Street partial postcode	SHAFTESBURY AVENUE SS1 3
Offence Details (MO)	SUSPECT UNKNOWN HAS STOLEN THE FRONT AND REAR NUMBER PLATES FROM GREY BMW 116.

Ward	Thorpe
Crime Reference Number	42/146313/23
Offence Description	Theft if not classified elsewhere
Reported Date and Time	17/08/2023 10:28
Committed Date (From)	16/08/2023 13:17

Street partial postcode **THE BROADWAY SS1 3**
Offence Details (MO)
SUSPECT UNKNOWN HAS REMOVED VICTIMS REFUSE BIN BY MEANS
UNKNOWN.

3) List of Applications Registered Week Ending 25th August 2023

Application Number: 23/01275/FULH **Ward: Southchurch**
Officer: James Benn
Alter front elevation and remove window to first floor level
96 Ashurst Avenue Southend-on-sea Essex

Application Number: 23/01278/FULH **Ward: Southchurch**
Officer: James Benn
Erect part single/part two storey rear and side extension, dormers to front and side
elevations and alterations to elevations
48 Ladram Road Thorpe Bay Essex

Application Number: 23/01283/FULH **Ward: Southchurch**
Officer: James Benn
Erect single storey rear extension with roof lantern and alter side elevations
16 Wick Chase Southend-on-sea Essex

Application Number: 23/01308/FULH **Ward: Thorpe**
Officer: Gabriella Fairley
Replace existing outbuildings to rear
36 Rutland Avenue Southend-on-sea Essex

Application Number: 23/01361/CLP **Ward: Thorpe**
Officer: Jennifer Doherty
Hip to gable loft conversion with rear dormer to form habitable accommodation
(Certificate of lawful development - proposed)
44 Acacia Drive Thorpe Bay Essex

Application Number: 23/01276/FULH **Ward: West Shoebury**
Officer: Gabriella Fairley
Erect two storey rear extension, rooflights to rear and alter side elevation
8 Noredale Shoeburyness Southend-on-sea Essex

4) List of Decisions Issued Week Ending 20th August 2023

APPLN. NO: 23/00833/FULH **Ward. Southchurch**
Officer: James Benn

INSTALL TWO AIR CONDITIONING UNITS TO SIDE ELEVATION OF DWELLINGHOUSE (RETROSPECTIVE)

130 BURLESCOOMBE ROAD THORPE BAY ESSEX

Decision: Grant Conditional Permission

APPLN. NO: 23/01060/FULH

Ward. Southchurch

Officer: Jennifer Doherty

ERECT SINGLE STOREY REAR EXTENSION WITH GLAZED ROOF LANTERNS AND ALTERATIONS TO SIDE ELEVATION

9 DAINES CLOSE THORPE BAY ESSEX

Decision: Grant Conditional Permission

APPLN. NO: 23/00912/FUL

Ward. Thorpe

Officer: James Benn

INSTALL METAL EXTERNAL STAIRCASE TO FRONT GARDEN AREA

201B EASTERN ESPLANADE SOUTHEND-ON-SEA ESSEX

Decision: Refuse Permission

APPLN. NO: 23/00958/FULH

Ward. Thorpe

Officer: James Benn

HIP TO GABLE ROOF EXTENSION WITH DORMERS AND ROOFLIGHTS TO FRONT AND REAR TO FORM HABITABLE ACCOMMODATION IN THE LOFTSPACE, ERECT SINGLE STOREY SIDE/REAR EXTENSION, ERECT FRONT PORCH AND ALTER ELEVATIONS

17 ELM GROVE THORPE BAY ESSEX

Decision: Grant Conditional Permission

APPLN. NO: 23/01039/CLP

Ward. Thorpe

Officer: Jennifer Doherty

HIP TO GABLE REAR EXTENSION, DORMER TO REAR TO FORM HABITABLE ACCOMMODATION IN ROOFSPACE WITH JULIET BALCONY, TWO ROOFLIGHTS TO THE FRONT (CERTIFICATE OF LAWFUL DEVELOPMENT - PROPOSED)

46 MARLBOROUGH ROAD SOUTHEND-ON-SEA ESSEX

Decision: Grant Lawful Dev Certificate (Proposed)

APPLN. NO: 23/01053/FUL

Ward. Thorpe

Officer: Jennifer Doherty

REPLACE EXISTING BEACH HUT

BEACH HUT 260 THORPE ESPLANADE THORPE BAY

Decision: Grant Conditional Permission

APPLN. NO: 23/01059/CLP

Ward. Thorpe

Officer: Jennifer Doherty

DORMER TO REAR WITH JULIETTE BALCONY AND ROOF LIGHTS (CERTIFICATE OF LAWFUL DEVELOPMENT - PROPOSED)

112 SHAFTESBURY AVENUE SOUTHEND-ON-SEA ESSEX

Decision: Grant Lawful Dev Certificate (Proposed)

APPLN. NO: 23/01071/FULH

Officer: Kara Elliott

ERECT SINGLE STOREY REAR EXTENSION

96 SANDRINGHAM ROAD SOUTHEND-ON-SEA ESSEX

Decision: Grant Conditional Permission

Ward. Thorpe

APPLN. NO: 23/00851/CLP

Officer: James Benn

CONVERT EXISTING COMMERCIAL GROUND FLOOR UNIT (CLASS E) INTO A
SELF CONTAINED FLAT (CLASS C3) (CERTIFICATE OF LAWFUL
DEVELOPMENT - PROPOSED)

67 WEST ROAD SHOEBURYNESSE SOUTHEND-ON-SEA

Decision: Refuse Lawful Development Certificate

Ward. West Shoebury

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