

E-Newsletter – 17th November 2023

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1) 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 December 2023 at 10.00am to midday**

Thank you to everyone who attended yesterday's coffee morning. Our next coffee morning is Thursday 21st December and please join us for engaging chats and laughter, accompanied by free tea, coffee, homemade cakes and biscuits. We will be bringing stretchy keychains and other devices to keep you safe.

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

Have your say on how often you want to vote for your councillors

A consultation asking residents how often they want to vote for their local councillors in the future has been launched on Monday 13 November.

A boundary review is due to take place in 2024. This review could change the make-up of wards, the number of councillors within each ward and the total number of

councillors elected. No elections will take place in 2025. This means all councillors will be up for election in 2026.

The election cycle survey asks whether residents want to continue electing councillors every four years (known as all-out elections) or go back to the system of voting for a third of councillors every year (electing in thirds). This system means there are local elections three out of every four years.

The survey provides additional information including arguments in support of both options and is open until 15 January 2024. Residents will be asked to provide the first three digits of their postcode.

No other elections will be affected by any future change to Southend-on-Sea City Council's electoral cycle. Parliamentary; Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner; Leigh Town Council elections will continue with their normal electoral cycle.

You can tell us your views by completing an online survey or a paper survey in one of Southend's libraries, before 15 January 2024. Other ways to take part:

Email: sarahbrown@southend.gov.uk Call: 01702 212969 Write to: Southend-on-Sea City Council, PO Box 6, Civic Centre, Victoria Avenue, Southend-on-Sea, SS2 6ER.

Free festive parking returns to Southend-on-Sea

All council-managed car parks across the City will be free every Sunday in December, providing a welcome boost for traders across Southend-on-Sea.

The free festive parking offer will start on Sunday 3 December and runs up to and including Sunday 31 December.

The free festive parking is available on every Sunday during December and has been extended from three to five Sundays this year to encourage more people to shop locally. It 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 map of council car parks is available on their website.

2) National Corner

Wood burners more costly for heating than gas boilers, study finds

Wood burners are a more expensive way to heat homes than gas boilers or heat pumps, research shows. A study by the charity Impact on Urban Health found that as well as causing significant health and environmental dangers for the home's occupants and their neighbours, it is up to 15 per cent more costly to heat a home using a wood burner rather than a gas boiler.

Millions of households forced to unplug fridge to cope with rising bills

About two million UK households have been forced to turn off their fridge or freezer to save money as they continue to struggle with what poverty campaigners called a “frightening” level of hardship. Nearly half of those households said that since May they had to disconnect their fridge or freezer for the first time, a sign the cost of living crisis was still hurting low-income families, according to the Joseph Rowntree Foundation charity.

NHS struggling to open emergency winter beds

Hospital leaders in England say a lack of funds means they are having to scale back on plans to open extra beds to cope with winter. The warning came after the Treasury rejected requests for an extra £1 billion to cover the cost of strikes, while recruitment to plug gaps in the workforce was also having to be put on hold, NHS Providers said.

NHS to track people's kettles and fridges to reduce 'avoidable' admissions

The NHS is using artificial intelligence to monitor people's eating and drinking habits in a bid to reduce "avoidable" hospital admissions ahead of a busy winter period. Kettles and fridges are being tracked as part of a pilot scheme launched in Buckinghamshire, with patients' habits flagged to care teams who speak to them to try and solve their issues and help them in various ways including cleaning, shopping and having food parcels delivered.

Sugar Tax

The number of children aged 18 and under going into hospital to have teeth extracted has fallen by 12% since the sugar tax came into force in April 2018, prompting calls for the levy to be extended to sweets, biscuits and cereals. Cllr David Fothergill, Chairman of the LGA's Community Wellbeing Board, said the findings were positive but he urged ministers to let councils decide for themselves what public health and anti-obesity schemes the £355m a year proceeds from the sugar tax should be used for.

Inflation falls

New data shows a sharp fall in UK inflation in the year to October, down to 4.6% It is the lowest rate since November 2021 - the fall is mainly down to lower energy prices.

3) Crime Report 6th to 12th November 2023

Ward	Southchurch
Crime Reference Number	42/198852/23
Offence Description	Other criminal damage to a vehicle (Under £5,000)
Reported Date and Time	06/11/2023 17:53
Committed Date (From)	05/11/2023 20:30
Street partial postcode	SHERWOOD WAY SS2 4
Offence Details (MO)	SUSPECT UNKNOWN HAS SMASHED THE PASSENGER SIDE WINDOW ON VICTIMS SILVER NISSAN PIXO BY MEANS UNKNOWN, NOTHING REMOVED FROM VEHICLE.

Ward **Southchurch**
Crime Reference Number 42/201281/23
Offence Description Distraction Burglary - Residential Home (Dwelling)
Reported Date and Time 10/11/2023 15:34
Committed Date (From) 19/10/2023 01:00
Street partial postcode **HAMSTEL ROAD SS2 4**
Offence Details (MO)
SUSPECTS UNKNOWN HAVE GAINED ACCESS TO THE PROPERTY AND TAKEN AN XBOX.

Ward **Thorpe**
Crime Reference Number 42/198730/23
Offence Description Residential Burglary of Unconnected Building (Non-Dwelling)
Reported Date and Time 06/11/2023 13:42
Committed Date (From) 30/10/2023
Street partial postcode **THORPE ESPLANADE SS3 9**
Offence Details (MO)
SUSPECT UNKNOWN HAS GAINED ENTRY TO THE VICTIMS BEACHHOUSE BY KICKING IN THE DOOR BEFORE STEALING FOOD AND DRINK OF AN UNKNOWN VALUE FROM INSIDE AND THEN PROCEEDING TO LIVE INSIDE OF SAID PROPERTY.

Ward **Thorpe**
Crime Reference Number 42/199586/23
Offence Description Attempted - Theft if not classified elsewhere
Reported Date and Time 07/11/2023 22:47
Committed Date (From) 07/11/2023 22:47
Street partial postcode **EASTERN ESPLANADE SS1 2**
Offence Details (MO)
SUSPECT UNIDENTIFIED HAS GONE THROUGH THE VICTIMS TOOLBOX THEN RUN OFF. UNKNOWN IF ITEMS WERE TAKEN SUCCESSFULLY.

Ward **Thorpe**
Crime Reference Number 42/199700/23
Offence Description Theft if not classified elsewhere
Reported Date and Time 08/11/2023 09:53
Committed Date (From) 06/11/2023 08:30
Street partial postcode **GREENWAYS SS1 3**
Offence Details (MO)
SUSPECTS UNKNOWN HAVE STOLEN THE VICTIMS SCOOTER AFTER IT WAS LEFT AT THE SCHOOL.

Ward **Thorpe**
Crime Reference Number 42/199856/23
Offence Description Residential Burglary of Unconnected Building (Non- Dwelling)
Reported Date and Time 01/11/2023 16:11
Committed Date (From) 30/10/2023

Street partial postcode **THORPE ESPLANADE SS1 3**

Offence Details (MO)

SUSPECTS UNKNOWN HAVE DAMAGED THE DOOR TO THE VICTIMS BEACH HUT USING AN UNKNOWN IMPLEMENT AND HAVE GAINED ENTRY MADE A SEARCH OF THE HUT AND HAVE LEFT BY MEANS UNKNOWN NO ITEMS STOLEN OR DAMAGED.

Ward

Thorpe

Crime Reference Number

42/201297/23

Offence Description

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

Reported Date and Time

10/11/2023 19:45

Committed Date (From)

10/11/2023 14:50

Street partial postcode

BURGES ROAD SS1 3

Offence Details (MO)

SUSPECT UNKNOWN HAS DAMAGED VICTIMS VEHICLE BY MEANS UNKNOWN CAUSING AN UNKNOWN VALUE OF DAMAGE.

Ward

Thorpe

Crime Reference Number

42/202365/23

Offence Description

Theft if not classified elsewhere

Reported Date and Time

10/11/2023 10:46

Committed Date (From)

06/11/2023

Street partial postcode

THORPE BAY GARDENS SS1 3

Offence Details (MO)

SUSPECT UNKNOWN HAS STOLEN VICTIMS DRIVING LICENCE FROM THE ENVELOPE IN THE POST.

Ward

West Shoebury

Crime Reference Number

42/199233/23

Offence Description

Residential Burglary of Unconnected Building (Non-Dwelling)

Reported Date and Time

07/11/2023 11:22

Committed Date (From)

30/10/2023

Street partial postcode

WEARE GIFFORD SS3 8

Offence Details (MO)

SUSPECTS UNKNOWN HAVE ENTERED GARAGE BY MEANS UNKNOWN CONDUCTED A TIDY SEARCH AND STOLEN VARIOUS GOLFING ITEMS AND A DRILL TO TOTAL VALUE OF APPROX GBP 1500 AND THEN LEFT THE SCENE.

Ward

West Shoebury

Crime Reference Number

42/199283/23

Offence Description

Theft of a motor vehicle

Reported Date and Time

07/11/2023 13:18

Committed Date (From)

05/11/2023 15:00

Street partial postcode

SEAVIEW ROAD SS3 9

Offence Details (MO)

SUSPECT UNKNOWN HAS STOLEN THE VICTIMS RED FORD FIEST, INDEX EO16GNJ, BY UNKNOWN MEANS.

Ward **West Shoebury**
Crime Reference Number 42/200366/23
Offence Description Other criminal damage to a vehicle (Under £5,000)
Reported Date and Time 09/11/2023 11:02
Committed Date (From) 09/11/2023 11:01
Street partial postcode **NESS ROAD SS3 9**
Offence Details (MO)
SUSPECT UNKNOWN HAS DAMAGED 2 VEHICLES BELONGING TO THE BUSINESS.

Ward **West Shoebury**
Crime Reference Number 42/202336/23
Offence Description Robbery (of Personal Property)
Reported Date and Time 10/11/2023 16:54
Committed Date (From) 10/11/2023
Street partial postcode **CAULFIELD ROAD SS3 9**
Offence Details (MO)
SUSPECT UNIDENTIFIED HAS THREATENED TO KILL THE VICTIM IF HE DID NOT HAND OVER 10GBP WHICH VICTIM DID.

4) List of Applications Registered Week Ending 17th November 2023

Application Number: 23/01791/FULH **Ward: Thorpe**
Officer: Gabriella Fairley
Hip to gable roof extension with dormers to sides to form habitable accommodation in the loftspace, erect part single/part two storey side extension
89 Parkanaur Avenue Thorpe Bay Essex

5) List of Decisions Issued Week Ending 12th November 2023

APPLN. NO: 21/01329/AD **Ward. Southchurch**
Officer: Scott Davison
APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF DETAILS PURSUANT TO CONDITION 08 (DETAILS OF SOFT LANDSCAPING), CONDITION 12 (DETAILS OF SUDS) AND CONDITION 13 (DETAILS OF ENERGY EFFICIENCY) OF PLANNING PERMISSION 20/01431/FUL DATED 28.10.2020
84 ARCHER AVENUE SOUTHEND-ON-SEA ESSEX
Decision: Grant Permission

APPLN. NO: 23/01482/TPO **Ward. Southchurch**
Officer: Abbie Greenwood
PRUNE TWO FAGUS SYLVATICA (COMMON BEECH) REDUCE HEIGHT OF REMAINING FOLIAGE AREA BY 1.5M AND LIGHTLY RESHAPE TO INITIATE REBALANCING WORKS ALL FINAL PRUNING CUTS TO BE AT A SUITABLE

BRANCH UNION (APPLICATION FOR WORKS TO TREES SUBJECT TO A TREE PRESERVATION ORDER)

SOUTHCHURCH LAWN WAKERING ROAD SOUTHEND-ON-SEA

Decision: Refuse Consent for works to trees

APPLN. NO: 23/01704/ROT

Ward. Southchurch

Officer: James Benn

REMOVE 12.9M STREETPOLE WITH 3NO. ANTENNAS, 1NO. CABINET AND ALL ANCILLARY DEVELOPMENT AND REPLACE WITH 20M STREETPOLE WITH 6NO. ANTENNAS AND ALL ANCILLARY DEVELOPMENT

HIGHWAYS VERGE EASTERN AVENUE SOUTHEND-ON-SEA

Decision: Telcom notice - Do not register

APPLN. NO: 23/01403/CLP

Ward. Thorpe

Officer: Jennifer Doherty

DORMERS TO SIDE TO FORM HABITABLE ACCOMMODATION (LAWFUL DEVELOPMENT CERTIFICATE - PROPOSED)

40 ACACIA DRIVE THORPE BAY ESSEX

Decision: Grant Lawful Dev Certificate (Proposed)

APPLN. NO: 23/01439/FUL

Ward. Thorpe

Officer: Abbie Greenwood

RAISE AND ALTER ROOF, ERECT SINGLE STOREY EXTENSION TO REAR, ALTER ELEVATIONS AND CREATE SELF-CONTAINED UNIT FOR USE AS CLASS E (FINANCIAL AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES)

127 THE BROADWAY THORPE BAY SOUTHEND-ON-SEA

Decision: Grant Conditional Permission

APPLN. NO: 23/01447/FULH

Ward. Thorpe

Officer: Jennifer Doherty

HIP TO GABLE ROOF EXTENSION WITH DORMER TO REAR TO FORM HABITABLE ACCOMMODATION IN THE LOFTSPACE, ERECT SINGLE STOREY SIDE EXTENSION

44 ACACIA DRIVE THORPE BAY ESSEX

Decision: Grant Conditional Permission

APPLN. NO: 23/01473/FULH

Ward. Thorpe

Officer: Gabriella Fairley

ERECT BOUNDARY WALL TO REAR

9 THORPE BAY GARDENS THORPE BAY ESSEX

Decision: Grant Conditional Permission

APPLN. NO: 23/01487/FULH

Ward. Thorpe

Officer: James Benn

ERECT PORCH TO SIDE AND SINGLE STOREY EXTENSION TO OPPOSING SIDE, ALTER ELEVATIONS

92 ST AUGUSTINES AVENUE THORPE BAY ESSEX

Decision: Grant Conditional Permission

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