



Shoebury High Street Parking - Update

The replies to the councils recent residents parking consultation show that the majority of residents did not want a Residents Parking Scheme, and preferred to leave things as they are.



On an earlier consultation on High Street parking residents had expressed concerns about a proposed 1 hour in 4 parking restriction outside of the shops. Their main concern was that if restrictions were put in place it would displace the long term parkers and cause further distress to the parking outside of resident's houses in the High Street. I recognise these concerns, and we will no longer support the proposed changes to the existing parking arrangements in the High Street. Furthermore, I have asked the Traffic and Parking department to remove any plans for build-outs or bays anywhere along the High Street between Gunners Road and Elm Road.

However, I believe that we must do everything possible to support the shops in the High Street which provide such a useful service to residents, local businesses and visitors alike. One way is to improve the availability of short term parking outside these shops, as happens in many other local shopping areas in Southend.

I have therefore proposed to Traffic and Parking that a 1 hour in 4 parking restriction should be established in Dane Street and along the East (shops) side of the High Street between Rampart Street and Gunners Road. To compensate for the loss of long term parking and to avoid aggravating parking problems in the High Street, I intend asking for all parking restrictions to be removed in George Street and Rampart Street.

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Shoebury Swimming Pool

As part of our on-going improvements to Shoebury Pool work has now started on the £100,000 refurbishment of the changing rooms. When the pool reopens, just before Christmas, there will be new lockers, new showers, and both individual and family changing rooms. There will also be a new viewing area.

East Beach Car Park

Work on the new 175 space car park has now been completed and is about to be opened. The whole area has been landscaped with shrubs and mature trees. Once the new car park area is opened the rest of the old car park will become a new dedicated 12 acre parkland. Parts of the new cycle/pathway have been completed at Blackgate Road and between Shoebury High Street and East Beach.

Concerns had been raised about access for wheelchairs and for parents with prams and pushchairs via the new kissing gates. These gates have now been altered to allow easier access.

Once the car park is opened the old road will be levelled to form the cycle/footpath link between Blackgate Road and Rampart Terrace.



East Beach Café

Please keep an eye out for the planning application which we understand is about to be submitted for a new £1 million pound all year round restaurant on the former café site. It is important to let the Planning Department know your views and comments.



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New Outdoor Gym in Shoebury Park

A new multi-sport gym for all ages has opened in Shoebury Park. The new facility has a variety of equipment which includes a gym, basketball and aerobics. The equipment is free to use and has been designed to be used by all ages.



Shoebury Youth Centre

We are pleased to say that work on the new £2.9 million youth centre is on schedule to open in May. The new facility will include a coffee bar, restaurant, gym, climbing wall, recording studio, car and motor bike work shop

Council Wins award for listening to its customers.

Shoebury Conservatives have welcomed the news that Southend Council has just received a national award for listening to its customers to improve its services.

Shoebury Gasometer

Good news, after nearly 50 years of dominating the Shoebury skyline, the Gasometer in Elm Road is to be decommissioned

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