

Southend BID Retail Against Crime Meeting (SRAC)
July 2018

Attendee list

Dawn Jeakings – Southend BID
Alison Dewey – Southend BID
Jessica Lester – Southend BID
Mark Bartrip – McDonald's/Southend BID
T/Insp Ian Hughes – Essex Police
PC Martin Knights – Essex Police
Anita McGinley – South Essex Homes
Fay Kricha – Peabody
Rob Carvosso – Southend Vineyard/Storehouse
John Simmons – Street Pastors/Winter Night Shelters
Michael Shaw – The Victoria Shopping Centre
Faye Mead – Marks & Spencer
Rebecca Gosain – New Look
Ruth Brooks – Mirage
Mark Horne – McDonald's
John Carter – Neptunes
Geraldine O'Grady – Utopia
Teresa Hindle – Utopia
David Garrett – The Royal Hotel
Karen Quinn – Oyster Court
Paul Thompson – Pebbles One
David Rayment – Beaches Bistro/Pebbles Two
Chris Petris – Rose Restaurant
Albert Rushiti – Waterfront Café
Sam Rushiti – Pier Arches Café
Kevin Harrison – Grosvenor Casino
Martin Richardson – Happidrome Arcade
Jill Richardson – Happidrome Arcade
Rachad El-Osta – Energie Fitness
Zoe Manning – University of Essex
Joan Tiney – The Borough Hotel
Barry Tiney – The Borough Hotel
Barry Davis – CCTV
Daniel Wells – Stambridge Security
James Duddridge – Conservative Party
Daryl Peagram – Guardian Angels
Kerry Davis – POSH

Police Update / Retail Crime

- Operation Reflex – targeted patrols to reduce anti-social behavior and crime: 20 arrests, 35 stop and account, 5 stop and search, verbal/written warnings under Anti-social Behaviour Act, community protection notices, breach of CBO in 4-month period (2 Officers)
- Violent crime up 23%; increase in patrols
- Six dates to be confirmed for further High Street and seafront focused Days of Activity during the summer school holidays following the feedback from half-term; separate meeting taken place with seafront traders
- Please report incidents via DISC and Essex Police. If you require a DISC log in or details to set up a Townlink radio, email hello@southendbid.com. Vital in collating intelligence to support CBO applications
- Small borough-wide team operating dedicated to retail crime; repeat locations and repeat offenders
- Increase in Officers for weekends and key dates; 12 Officers due after Christmas
- Operation Sceptre in September – knife crime initiative; education, plain clothes operations, weapon sweeps in areas of concern

- Possible joint work to take place focusing on the BID area and education surrounding alcohol premises to reinforce impact

Rough Sleepers / Street Drinking

- Anita works alongside landlords of those who have accommodation and are causing anti-social behaviour in Southend
- With individuals refusing every opportunity to alter their lifestyle, there are grounds to impose enforcement action; ensure preventative work and intervention has taken place
- Work to be taken to educate the public not to give money to members of the street community; diverted giving and myth busting website to launch in September
- Please report active individuals via [StreetLink](#)
- There are many outreach groups carrying out positive work but that do not offer long-term solutions – this encourages the street community to remain on the streets

AOB

- Increase in budget for 80 Officers this year and 80 Officers next year
- Police Crime Commissioner, Roger Hirst to be invited to the next meeting
- James Duddridge to write to Dawn Jeakings with actions and meet on a more regular basis
- Specific incidents – mentioning what else is going on at the time to contextualise decision
- James Duddridge to speak to CPS about the challenges of court proceedings, visit Magistrates, look into 101 issues and how police cuts are affecting specific incidents and encourage individuals to report incidents online
- Lots of work taking place and increased visibility (both police and Youth Offending Team) in The Forum area
- Temporary CCTV camera in place at the Forum – permanent camera to be installed within 6-7 weeks. Could not be put in place where previously due to technical issues
- To receive a tour of the CCTV control room, please contact Barry Davis on 01702 212066 or barrydavis@southend.gov.uk

Next meeting: Tuesday 25th September at The Royal Hotel

We welcome your comments and suggestions. Please email hello@southendbid.com