

Westborough FOCUS



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Recycling - the *unusual* suspects

Southend residents currently recycle 48.3% of their household rubbish. This places Southend 98th out of 345 local authorities. The best-performing area recycles 64.8% - the lowest just 16.9%. Recycling in Southend is **UP** significantly from 41% back in 2009/10. (*source: letsrecycle.com*)

The Westborough Focus Team say a big thank you to residents for their efforts recycling, as well as to Southend Council (under several different political administrations) for working with residents to increase recycling and protect our environment.

Many residents want to do their best to recycle but aren't always completely sure what is and isn't recyclable. Below is a reminder of what can and can't go in pink sacks, plus what to do with some less common items. This is not a comprehensive guide—if in doubt please visit

www.southend.gov.uk/recycling



Plastic—bags, bottles, trays,
Cans—food cans, drink cans, empty aerosols,
kitchen foil, foil trays
Glass—all glass bottles and jars

N.B. Paper
please put all paper and
card in a **blue box**



Plastic bottle tops?

Yes please

Place in your pink sack



Aerosols?

Yes please

Place in your pink sack



Toothpaste tubes?

Yes! Really!

Both tubes and pumps—
not the brush though.



X No thanks

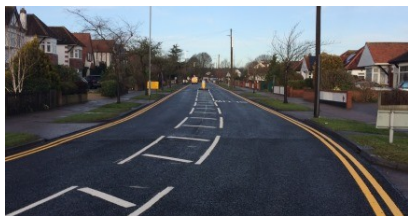
A few common examples of NON-recyclable goods are polystyrene, pet food pouches (different materials difficult to separate) and nappies. Please place in a black sack.



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Action for Westborough

Once lockdown started to be eased, the Westborough Liberal Democrat Focus team walked the entire length of every road in the ward to see what needed to be done.



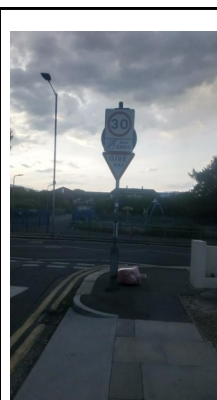
Under Southend Council's Joint Administration, in which Liberal Democrats play a key role, record road repairs took place during lockdown. On our summer walk we did not find a single sizeable pothole anywhere in the ward. Let's hope it stays that way! If you do happen to spot a pothole, you can report it at southend.gov.uk/mysouthend



New bins at the corners of Westborough Road with Brightwell and Fleetwood Avenues



Fly-tipping reported and removed from over 30 locations including Fairfax Drive, Prittle Brook, Brightwell Avenue and Westborough Road



Faded signs replaced on Fleetwood Avenue

Trip hazards reported and repaired on **Electric Avenue** and **Westminster Drive**



Graffiti was reported and removed from most roads, mainly from BT boxes and lamp posts, but we were pleased **not to find a single instance of offensive graffiti**. We hope it stays that way.

"The climate crisis is one of the biggest challenges we face.

I want the Liberal Democrats to be on the frontline of the fight to save our planet, and to protect it for future generations.



I've got the experience of campaigning, and winning, on environmental issues, and a plan to invest £150bn in our green economy. That means green jobs, green transport, green homes and green energy."

Ed Davey—
Liberal Democrat leader



Southend Council is updating its **Tree Policy**; one of the key aims is a 25% increase in tree cover. Westborough has the lowest tree cover of all Southend's 17 wards. Do you know somewhere locally that would benefit from one or two carefully chosen new trees? Please let us know.

Can you help?

If you could deliver leaflets in your road or display a poster at election time, please e-mail

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