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## SHRA and Harbour News

News items first appear now on the [Home Page](#). We welcome submissions of news stories or information on Harbour issues. [Please email the web manager](#).

**21 July - Site 8 (Port Moresby Place) variations to plans (see below).** SHRA remains concerned about the dispersal of rain water in to the harbour from the open space and from the new houses. We have made further representations on the matter to EBC planning in our comments on the developers second application (no. 170885). [SHRA's comments...](#)

**10 July - Site 8 (Port Moresby Place) variations to plans (see below).** The developer has submitted a further application for the above. It includes the long-awaited drainage scheme. [EBC planning](#) application no. 170885. Comments by 30th July. [Covering letter...](#)

**13 July - Harbour dog control orders possible.** New council powers to tackle anti-social behaviour may include introducing dog ban and lead control orders in to the Sovereign Harbour area. There is little detail at present and any proposals will be subject to a future consultation. [Read more in this EBC press release...](#)

**10 July - New Sea Safety Measure** - A 5mph speed limit zone either side of the pier has been introduced by Eastbourne's seafront team in a bid to prevent fast moving watercraft from entering the area after a flood of complaints and fears that jetskis and other craft may hit swimmers. Running from the Wish Tower to the Redoubt, a new line of yellow buoys will mark out the new 5mph zone, encouraging jetskis and other motorised or rigid craft to stay further out to sea, during the bathing season from May to September. Read more in [The Eastbourne Herald...](#)

**28 June - Good News.** The Eastbourne Herald reports that a new, two-lane road bridge is to be built at Exceat. [Read more...](#)

**23 June - Site 8 (Port Moresby Place) variations to plans (see below).** SHRA submitted their objections to the variations (see below). [Read SHRA's letter....](#)

**23 June - Motor bikes on the harbour prom.** There are reports that motorcycle 'trail bikes' have been driven along the outer harbour prom and beside the South Harbour water feature. This dangerous activity should be reported to the police on 101. If it is safe to do, please also try to photograph the culprits.

**17 June - Sovereign Ward borough councillor named in the Queen's Birthday Honours list.** Congratulations to Paul Metcalfe, who has been made an MBE for his services to the RNLI, where he was formerly the Operational Manager. [Read more...](#)


**10 June - Say hello to CoCo Hair!** Great Hairdressing have announced that they are under new management and are now trading as CoCo Hair. They still offer the same great stylists and service in their spacious, modern

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
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**08 June - Site 8 (Port Moresby Place) variations to plans (see below). SHRA has concerns about some of the variations and we are seeking further clarification from the developer before responding to EBC. The closing date for comments and objections is 27 June. [Site Notice...](#)** 


**08 June - Weeding.** Our friends on the [Sovereign Harbour Community Facebook Group](#) and the [Sovereign Harbour Neighborhood Panel](#) have been politely engaging with EBC's Neighbourhood First about the weeding of the harbour paths. They have achieved improvements to the service. [See this report...](#) 


**26 May - Dredging commences.** The suction dredger *Sospan Dau* has arrived and is starting its annual dredging of the harbour entrance and outer harbour deep channel. It arrived too late to prevent a yacht running aground at the entrance on Thursday evening. [Photos...](#) The dredging is expected to take about 12 days and will include day and night work depending on tides. [Notice to Mariners...](#) 

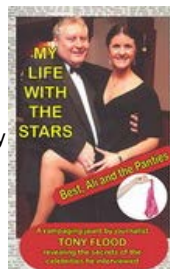
**24 May - Port Moresby Place plans amended.** The developers of Port Moresby Place have put in a planning application to make some amendments to the original plans. The changes relate to paving areas and materials, landscaping, seating and the boundary railings fronting Pacific Drive. They also include enlargement of the visitor car parking area that appears to mean the demise of the old footpath beside the Southern Water pumping station. The planning application number is 170685. [Covering letter...](#)  [EBC Planning...](#) 


**24 May - Costa Coffee** It seems that Costa Coffee will be opening an outlet in the Sovereign Harbour Retail Park as they have just been granted planning permission for four illuminated signs on the old Blockbuster Video store. Application no. 170593. [EBC Planning...](#) 

**23 May - Local authors** and Harbour Residents Tony and Heather Flood are raising money for Children with Cancer UK by making donations from their book sales.


In a special promotion, signed copies of their books are offered at reduced prices. They include Tony's celebrity book '*My Life With The Stars*' and his spicy crime thriller '*Triple Tease*'. [www.celebritiesconfessions.com](http://www.celebritiesconfessions.com) 

Younger readers are catered for with Tony's fantasy adventure '*The Secret Potion*', and Heather's '*Mousey Mousey*' and her other No.1 best sellers. More info at: [www.fantasyadventurebooks.com](http://www.fantasyadventurebooks.com) 




**Sovereign Disabled Swimming Club**  which has sessions at Motcombe Swimming Pool in Eastbourne every Sunday from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm, would like to recruit additional service users. It's a friendly and welcoming club, with its own hoist, sloping steps for easy alternative access and accessible showers and toilet. If you know someone who might be interested in joining for some exercise and a chat, please contact Bob Gausden [swim@gausden.com](mailto:swim@gausden.com) or telephone 01323 484 165 during usual office hours.

**26 April** - EBC planners have given the go ahead for the Sovereign Harbour community centre to be built on the edge of the Innovation Park (Site 6). This is not the ideal location (certainly not the one "wanted" by residents) - a more central location would have been much preferred.

However, the centre cannot be built until an access road and pedestrian footpath have been constructed – neither of which have planning applications submitted. It's expected an application for the road will be submitted by early June, with a completion date (of the roadworks), sometime in October. [Read more...](#) 

**24 April** - Our on-line survey about SHRA's relevance and possible future direction closed on the 14 April. We received over 200 responses. Our thanks to everyone who took part; it's been a useful and enlightening exercise! We have now published the responses we received.

- [Introduction & Conclusions](#)
- [Annex A Reasons for responses \(10 pages\)](#)
- [Annex B Improvements wanted \(11 pages\)](#)

**22 April** - [Published by the Eastbourne Access Group](#), The 2017 Eastbourne Guide for Disabled People is now available from the Tourist Information Centre in Cornfield Road and seafront office, No. 1 Grove Road and the Town Hall. [Click here for the PDF version...](#) 

**21 April** - SHRA committee member Ray Blakebrough has suddenly resigned due to increased pressure from other commitments. Luckily, following the recent pleas in Waterlines, half a dozen members have expressed a willingness to be nominated at the AGM in May to serve as future committee members.

**14 April** - Eastbourne Borough Council are looking at their Anti-Social Behaviour Policy that outlines how they prevent, respond to and manage reports of anti-social behaviour from residents and tenants. EBC would like your views on the draft policy (better than just moaning about it). The draft and a summary are available to download from their website and there is an on-line survey to help you structure your feedback. Closes 31 May. [More info...](#)

**11 April** - Update from PCDL. Always a favourite time of the year; all machines have now finished working and hopefully will not be required to return until the autumn. Having said that, this is the first year in several five that works have been completed before the last week in April – or indeed May – so there is the possibility that we could still get a late spring storm at some time. Hopefully not, and we will all enjoy a pleasant summer. Best wishes. Ian Thomas, Project Manager, [Pevensey Coastal Defence Ltd...](#)

**04 April** - **Yet another virus-infected email scam is circulating, warn the police. This one purports to come from a "Law Abiding Citizen" who claim they are trying to protect your data. Of course, the opposite is the case.** [More details...](#)

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