

4) With the rear right hand tab released, you can now gently pry up on the rear left hand corner of the shifter cover and unclip it there. There are four remaining tabs centred around the shift boot, you can pull up on the shift boot to unclip them. If you have Audiopilot, Satellite Navigation and/or seat warmer switches, you'll need to undo these connectors now. I don't have them on my car.



5) With the cover removed you now need to remove the upper rubber shift boot. There is another rubber boot under it. I found it easier to remove the ashtray to gain access to the two forward 10mm shift boot nuts, the ashtray is secured with the two screws indicated by the green arrows in the picture below.

6) You can hang the ashtray off to one side as I have here. This will also give access to the illuminated gear knob connector (so they tell me!).

7) Now you need to undo the four nuts indicated by the orange arrows. Two of the four nuts have wiring harness clips over the threads. These are a pain to get off. I used a small flat bladed screwdriver to separate the clip from the thread...others have had success using a straightened paperclip bent into a "U" shape.

