

CAERWENT COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Many of you will have been saddened to hear of the death of Councillor John Nettleship who represented the St Brides Netherwent ward and was a very active member of the Caerwent Historic Trust. John served almost right up to the end and gave all of us the benefit of his advice and considerable knowledge of the area. Our deepest sympathy goes out to his wife Shirley and the family.

Turning to other matters, we have been getting the views of both shades of opinion about the proposed closure of School Lane in Caerwent. As we have stated previously this matter will almost certainly be determined at a Public Enquiry and the responses so far are being evaluated prior to calling such an Enquiry. We will ensure that notices are placed in our boards to inform residents when a date is set. Those who are keen to make their views known are advised to look out for the notices.

Views continue to be expressed about the narrowness of the lanes in the newly duelled section of the A48. We are advised by Highways that the design was submitted to and passed a safety audit and that the design is intended to slow traffic down in view of the 30 mph limit. As for cyclists there is a cycle track provided travelling east and the cycle route west goes through the village. The view is that any disruption or delay to anyone's journey would be short lived in view of the small section of road involved.

Residents will be aware of the existence of the One Stop Shops in Chepstow and Caldicot. MCC now have a mobile unit so that access to their services can be achieved easier especially for those unable to get into the towns. Watch out for information about dates and times in the area.

Dog waste bins are due to be installed any time now. Please use them, or take waste home. There have been instances of waste bags being thrown into sheep fields or hung on fences etc. Please stop this practice.

Residents of Crick will be asked for their views on enhanced street lighting. It is important that we get as many views on this subject as possible so we urge residents to engage with us in this survey.

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