

## **CAERWENT COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

At our last meeting we were visited by a Consultant from a company called “Navigant” who are undertaking an appraisal of the whole Severnside area, extended to include Caerwent due to the close geographical and economic ties with that area. The idea is to identify what measures need to be taken by MCC in its ongoing strategy for the area such as transport, schools, the regeneration of Caldicot’s shopping offer and tie that in to cultural heritage and tourism. We hope to share the results of the exercise with you later in the year or early next year.

We are pleased to report that Barratts have agreed to plant a semi mature oak tree in the open space on the Merton Green site as a “Jubilee Oak”. Well done to Glyn Cousins, the Community Councillor for the area in securing that. The tree will be surrounded by a circular bench.

Residents of Llanfair Discoed have already been granted a request for funding by the Council for a Jubilee project, probably also an oak tree. Let us know if your Community would like to do something and we will look into it.

We still await the results of the survey regarding School Lane in Caerwent and will report on it in due course.

On a highways matter there will be “top dressing” of the roads in the area as soon as the weather allows, however this will only involve a short stretch along the main route through Caerwent. This is because a proper re-surfacing will be carried out next year on the roads not top dressed this time.

Regretfully we have been getting complaints about noise and general nuisance relating to activities at the Old Gym in Lawrence Crescent. We are anxious to understand the extent of these problems and who is affected by them. Could concerned residents please let us know.

We have the lease now for the Crick Wildlife Reserve and it should be in force shortly. This will give those involved in the project on the field opposite Bradbury Farm, an opportunity to carry out their plans for conservation. We wish them well.

On the subject of leases, we are about to lease the “Time Team” field which is situated immediately behind the public conveniences in Caerwent from MCC. This will enable us to preserve it for community use.

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