## **CAERWENT COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

Welcome back if you have been away. It is to be hoped that those who did get away had more sunshine than we got here.

The July meeting seems a long way off but in that meeting it was suggested by a member of the public that there seems to be an increasing problem in the centre of Caerwent with visitors to the Roman site parking near to the Post Office, thus causing congestion and making it difficult for customers who have business there. We are looking into working with Cadw on ways to encourage more use of their free car park to the west of the village.

We should hear soon what MCC intend to do regarding School Lane. Hopefully this will be by the date of our meeting in September in which case we will then inform residents of the next steps.

We have had discussions with the Site Supervisors on the Merton Green site regarding the present disruption to existing residents during the development. It has been indicated that all efforts will be made to complete any building work in the close vicinity of the flats so that the ongoing work will be behind Ash Tree Road thus cutting down disruption and inconvenience to a minimum.

We are still trying to progress the provision of allotments with our preferred site being opposite the eastgate entrance to Caerwent. There are still problems to overcome but we will continue to press on.

We apologise but there was a period when there was no toilet paper available for users of the public toilets. Hopefully we have resolved the problem but we still suffer from theft of the ones supplied on occasions.

Contractors have been requested to empty the dog waste bins more frequently as they were becoming full. When on occasion this should be the case, please be responsible and take your dog waste home with you. Please also be aware of the larger "No Dogs" signs recently placed around the Playing Fields at Caerwent.

New seats and litter bins have been installed at the Lawrence Crescent and Llanfair Discoed play areas. These are of high quality and were expensive. This should however give them a long life and well worth it in the long term.

Hopefully we will be in a position soon to provide new signage for Caerwent to promote the Roman site more. When we have more details we will let you know but at present we feel that there should be a tourist sign at the crossroads and a "Caerwent – Roman Town (Venta Silura)" on the A48. What do you think?

The long awaited repairs to the lane between Llanfair Discoed and Five Lanes have been going on for some time now. We apologise for any inconvenience but trust that residents will agree that it will be worth it.

Finally can we, on behalf of the residents of Crick, thank the Site Supervisor at Barratts for the kind donation of topsoil for the village enhancement scheme.

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