

## **CAERWENT COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

Regretfully, because of the behaviour of some members of the public over a protracted period a motion was put to Council that any person who behaved in an inappropriate manner in future, both in the 15 minute public participation section and afterwards, would be required to leave. This motion was carried and, as a result will be applied to all future meetings.

Progress was questioned regarding the traffic impact survey being carried out in relation to School Lane in Caerwent. We understand that this is progressing and the results should be shown in the next few months after sufficient time has been given to the assessment.

We have also been asked to take measures to speed up the publishing of minutes on the website. There is a problem with this in that they are not agreed until the next meeting, however the agenda and the matters arising update can be published earlier to make residents aware of matters to be discussed and it has therefore been agreed that these will go onto the site as soon as they are available.

There seems to be some confusion over the decision to allow the Marching Band back into the recreation centre in Lawrence Crescent. This band has achieved a lot in terms of national and international reputation in its short period of existence but is not everyone's "cup of tea". Their use of the centre was brought to an end last year on noise grounds. However, following the installation of some sound proofing in the building it has been agreed by the Committee who run the centre that they be allowed back on a trial basis, supervised by Environmental Health, to assess the impact of their practice sessions. On the subject of the Old Gym building, it has now been purchased off the MoD by this Council to enable us to protect it as a resource for the area. It is increasingly being used as a community asset and it is our intention to improve it utilising some of the community contribution from the developer of the Merton Green site.

Terms have now been agreed with Monmouthshire County Council for a Wildlife Reserve in Crick opposite Bradbury Farm. The group that have progressed this deserve our congratulations for their achievements.

The subject of dog fouling has surfaced again with complaints about it in the Canon Lane area. This has been reported to the police who will be ensuring that dog walkers clear up after their dogs. Please, for the benefit of the whole community, can owners take a plastic bag with them.

We are trying to get a "drop in" session arranged with the Environment Agency over the subject of septic tanks that so many residents are

concerned about. The requirement to register is not a responsibility or initiative of Monmouthshire County Council and therefore Officers are unable to help. Hopefully we will get a positive response soon and if they do agree to it we will let residents know.

**The following planning applications have been considered by the Community Council:**

**2011/01206 Manor Farm House, St Brides Netherwent,  
Proposed Detached Garage & Store & Change of Use of Part of  
Existing Curtilage to Garden Space**

*This Council recommends **Approval***

Query if Tree Preservation Orders are present. Replanting of trees to replace loss of existing. Style and construction of materials to match those used by neighbours new garaging. Greenhouse should not be constructed of UPVC.

**2011/01157 12 Centurions Court, Caerwent  
Extensions & Alterations with associated work**

*This Council recommends **Approval***

Style of brickwork should match existing house and others on estate. Recommend site visit.

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