

CAERWENT COMMUNITY COUNCIL

At our last meeting, which was attended by members of the Merton Green Action Group, it was suggested that the report in last month's Newsletter of the potential consequences of the actions taken by that group was holding them responsible. The intention of the report was to inform the wider community of the situation, especially in light of the many references over the last year or so of the uses to which the monies that might come from the development would be put. We regret that such an inference was taken and stress that our intention was only to report the situation.

We were concerned to hear of an increase in the number of daytime burglaries in the area, especially in Caerwent. Please take every precaution not only when you intend to be away from home but also whilst you are there.

We need your help over the 30mph zone on the A48 at Caerwent. It has been proposed, now there is going to be a considerable delay in every other aspect of the scheme or indeed it may not happen at all, that the 30mph signs should be taken down and the original 50mph signs replaced. MCC are quite happy to take steps to achieve this but at our last meeting it was suggested that although insignificant the signs are, they are being respected and traffic is slowing down. It has therefore been suggested that MCC be asked to leave the 30mph signs there. Could residents please let us have a view on this so that we can gauge the wider view, either by letter or email to caerwentcouncil@aol.com. We will then let MCC highways officers know the response.

Comments have been made about the somewhat abrupt cessation of road repairs especially in the Shirefield area. Despite the fact that roads in the area have had a lot of attention of late, we still have some in very poor condition. We are seeking a meeting with the highways inspector for the area to endeavour to clarify what further repairs are to be carried out and when.

There will be a change of operator in November of the bus service. We understand that the Francis Drake routes will be taken over by another operator who will maintain the hourly service.

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