

CAERWENT COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Hopefully the days will now be warmer and we can all get out and about. Those of us who walk dogs will have been able to make use of the extra waste bins that have been installed of late and we are pleased to advise that there will soon be four more. One in the Canon Lane area, one in Ash Tree Road, one in Llanfair Road and one in Llanfair Discoed. Our thanks must go to Barratt Homes and MCC's Tidy Towns initiative for their help with these facilities.

The Caerwent Enhancement Scheme will be well advanced by the time this Newsletter is published. So far comments have been most favourable with a lot of features that local residents asked for being able to be incorporated in the project.

This month's Police report warned of an increase in metal thefts in the area. Thefts from sheds and of oil are also something to be warned about. Please help them to help you by taking extra care to ensure that adequate provision is made for crime prevention.

Fraud is also a worry especially in relation to internet crime, credit card and identity theft. There is now the "Action Fraud Initiative" which is a central point of contact for information about such matters. The phone number is 0300 123 2040.

Those residents who have enquired about the prospect of allotments may well wonder what is happening in that regard. Regrettably wheels in the MoD turn very slowly however, they do appear to be our best hope of acquiring land for the purpose. We will keep trying.

The prospect of restoring the village pumps in Caerwent has moved a little closer with MCC's approval of the scheme. I will keep you informed, as we move forward.

The public toilets in Caerwent have been in the management of this Council for a couple of years now and we will soon have to consider the extent to which disabled provision should be made there. In order to guide us in our consideration of this, we would be grateful for any view on whether the facility should remain open.

May we take this opportunity of wishing Muriel and David well as they leave the Post Office in Caerwent. We are sure that they will be missed by everyone. Sarah Woodfield will be taking over the running of the Post Office and we wish her every success.

Philip Murphy
CHAIRMAN

The following planning application has been considered by the Community Council:

2012/01039 Myrtle Cottage, Caerwent

Proposed Double Garage with Attached Store

*This Council recommends **Approval***

Positioning of garage should be re-assessed, i.e. preferably to the end of garden

Current height of wall would cause visibility issues

Wall should be brought up to a safe standard similar to next door

Needs watching brief from CADW

Query if plans meet planning criteria for development within town walls

Pleased to note that this will hopefully stop illegal parking at the cenotaph

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