

## **CAERWENT COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

You will, no doubt have noticed that the 30mph signs are now in place on the A48 at Caerwent and questions were asked at our last meeting regarding enforcement. Clearly until the rest of the work is done when the Merton Green scheme gets underway it is a bit insignificant. However, we are assured by the Police that now all the 50mph signs have been removed on that stretch the 30mph is enforceable, so be warned. As soon as practical it is still intended that Highways officers will attend a public meeting to explain their plans for traffic management in the area.

On the subject of Merton Green, we are still unable to report any progress towards agreement between the Developer and Welsh Water over when the sewage system will be repaired and expanded and when any new connection to the system can take place. The position of the Council and MCC is that unless the current service is brought up to an acceptable standard no further connection can be made. This is, of course, subject to any subsequent decisions by the Planning Committee.

Residents of each of the villages in the area are asked to consider getting together with a view to setting up community projects. Llanfair Discoed, for instance has installed flower tubs and other items which has “lifted” the area visually. What ideas do you have for making your area more attractive? Would you be prepared to work with others on such projects? We would be very pleased to hear from anyone who would like to get involved so, if you are one of these volunteers, please contact us.

For some time now, we have been researching the possibility of finding ways to help residents of the Highfield area of Caerwent during periods where there are a lot of vehicles parking in the area due to events etc at the village hall. Regretfully it seems that there are no measures that can be taken except in cases of obstruction which is a matter for the Police.

CADW are looking at different uses for the old school building at last and are due to report to us soon following their meeting at the end of June. Watch this space!!

There has been some concern regarding the merger of some 6<sup>th</sup> form courses between Caldicot and Chepstow Comprehensive Schools. This is not a 6<sup>th</sup> form merger. The only purpose is to ensure that there are sufficient students on courses to enable them to go ahead ie making the best use of resources. We hope that this is now clear.

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