

## **CAERWENT COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

### **Planning applications considered:**

2014/000014 45 St Tathan's Place, Caerwent

Demolish rear UPVC conservatory, rear masonry shed and front uPVC porch. Construct two story rear extension to create ground floor kitchen dining area, utility, cloakroom and new front porch. Construct first floor two bedrooms and ensuite to bedroom one.

Council noted that incorrect information had been received. Agreed to inform Planning and on receipt of correct planning application this be delegated to the Caerwent ward Councillors.

Council noted that the Monmouthshire Local Development Plan was adopted on 27<sup>th</sup> February 2014.

### **Other points of interest –**

#### **“Welcome To Caerwent” Booklet**

Council agreed to revise and arrange for the printing of 150 booklets at a cost of £70. Council further agreed that it be renamed “Welcome to Caerwent Community” and that activities in the areas of Crick, St Brides Netherwent and Llanfair Discoed also be included.

Contributors and possible sponsors will be contacted and the booklet will appear on the website.

### **Section 106 Funding**

Council noted that three applications had been submitted. One application has secured 24% match funding towards its project. The funding trigger to obtain the money from the developer has yet to be reached so MCC have delayed the timeframe on possible match funding opportunities. They will work with the other two organisations regarding this and aim to report back to Cabinet in May or June.

Council considered an open letter from the Chair of the CPFA and letter from the Chair of the Caerwent Community Centre. It was noted that the Community Centre had on a few occasions asked MCC if a public consultation exercise was required and were informed that this was not necessary. Council were disappointed at the CPFA's comments regarding transparency as for many years we have advertised in the newsletter that the Community Centre would be

applying for Section 106 funding when it became available. It was agreed that we do not favour any particular project – they provide entirely separate facilities, we support both and will continue to do so, we had in fact written to both organisations giving consent for their projects. The final decision will be taken by MCC, not this Council.

This Council agreed that we view the two buildings as community resources rather than just a village facility as indicated by the CPFA.

It was noted that on the Community Centre website there is a link to the Village Hall which states “alternatively, if you are looking for a party venue with use of kitchen, bar and stage, then the excellent facilities of the Caerwent Village Hall may also be of interest”.

### **Time Team Field**

It was reported that a site meeting had been held and it had been agreed that a 10 metre circle of red poppies be planted with a 3 metre circle in the middle of a darker plant to resemble an actual poppy in commemoration of the WW1 centenary. The area had now been marked out and treated in preparation for seeding.

Regarding the WW1 centenary, Barratts are currently making planters to be placed around the War Memorial. Council was very pleased with the results of the recent cleaning of the War Memorial by local resident, Mr Lyn Maddox.

The Community Council is in the process of deciding what to do with the field and feel that it would be ideal as a ‘Community Garden’ but need to gauge local interest. Volunteers are invited to contact Brian Counsell (01291 421307 [briancounsell@gmail.com](mailto:briancounsell@gmail.com)) or the Clerk (details on previous page) if you are interested in helping set up a group to develop a garden, or have other ideas for its future use.

Brian Counsell – Chair

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