Caerwent Community Council

Planning applications considered in August

2014/00709 St Bartholomews, Five Lanes Alterations to Windows and Doors to Accommodate the Formation of Kitchen and Bathroom. This Council recommends **Approval**

2014/00396 Unit 21, Caerwent Army Training Estate Change of Use to Allow for the Bringing in of Waste Materials, Processing/Grading these Materials and Moving them Off-Site.

As there had been a number of local concerns regarding this application we had invited Mr J Gregory of Ecovigour Ltd, agent for the applicant, to attend this meeting. The Chairman was particularly concerned about access, noise and monitoring arrangements. Mr Gregory explained that the principle operation of the site is the screening of inert construction waste, principally soil. The screening operation results in a small proportion of concrete and rock which is oversize to be included in the topsoil. This material is stockpiled and once there is sufficient material a crusher is brought to the site (twice a year) to crush this material. The application has been made due to the applicant now requiring an Environmental Permit from Natural Resources Wales. The business has been running since 2008 and there is no intention to extend the size of the operation – it is at full capacity now.

Access would be through the West Gate entrance. No increase in traffic generation – an average of 40 vehicle movements in a day at peak time. Mr Gregory informed the meeting that once an Environment Agency Permit had been issued then they would receive 3 visits per year. They would also be scored and pay for the permit according to their score and conditions applied. If standards fall below requirements then the permit would be removed.

Mr Gregory agreed to amend the Design and Access Statement to include more specifics, ie which access gate, noise.

Mr Gregory informed Council that the owners would be happy to show them around the site and Council agreed this would be helpful. Council accepted that the site had been running since 2008 and following a site visit, approved the application. 2014/00482, Wentwood Inn, A48
Proposed Demolition of a Vacant Restaurant/Public House and Erection of 4 Residential Dwellings with Associated Access and Parking. This Council recommends **Approval**

- Recommend stone finish
- Query the presence of the petrol tanks
- We realise that this is outside planning policy but we feel that the building currently there is an eyesore - this is the best option that has come before us to improve the site.

Council noted Tree Preservation Order placed on trees at the rear of the former Wentwood Inn.

2014/00786 Outbuilding at Brook Cottage, Crick Alterations to Existing Outbuilding to re-instate Former Windows and Chimney Along with the Installation of 2 Conservation Type Rooflights. This Council recommends **Approval**

2014/00787 Outbuilding At Brook Cottage, Crick (Listed Building Consent)

External and Internal Alterations to Existing Outbuilding within the Curtilage of the Listed Building. This Council recommends **Approval**

Planning applications considered in September

2014/00892 Old Gunter's Barn, Caerwent To fit two gates (electrically operated) between existing stone walls This Council recommends **Approval**

2014/00977 Old Gunter's Barn, Caerwent Change of Use of Workshop into a Vehicle Garage, Existing Vehicle Garage into a Game and Amenity Area and Change Part of the Front Elevation to Accommodate the Above Changes. This Council recommends **Approval**

2014/00640 Merrils Garage, Carrow Hill Extension to Existing Garage to Relocate Customers/Reception Area, Enlarge Workshop Area to Accommodate New Vehicle Lift and Relocate Existing Drive and Access to Highway. This Council recommends **Approval**

Other points of interest from September meeting

Caerwent Community Council Education Award

Council considered and agreed to the introduction of an annual award for children who attend Shirenewton and Rogiet Schools. The Clerk reported that both Headteachers were very supportive of this and had suggested poems for the older and drawings for the younger children. Agreed that a prize fund of £125 per school be awarded per annum, schools to decide on the value and number of prizes. Judging to be carried out by our Chair/Headteacher/Chair of Governors. Different subject each year, this year to be the World War I Centenary. Possibly a representative from the MoD on the judging panel this year. We will decide at the AGM meeting on the topic and deadlines. This year deadline is 24th October (in view of Remembrance Sunday). Winning poems/drawings could go on our Website, in the newsletters and be displayed within the schools.

Community Event to Commemorate World War 1 (9th NOVEMBER)

Council considered and agreed to support this event, ie reading the biographies/names of the fallen, making the event known to the community and funding a commemorative programme to the amount of £164.

Trewen Garages

Contacted Monmouthshire Housing following concern from local resident. Their intention is to demolish the garages, make good the floor slab, erect a 'stock fence' to the field and make good/install a 1600 fence to the adjoining property. The space previously occupied by the garages will be available as parking spaces.

Traffic lights at Caerwent Brook

Council noted that the traffic lights near Caerwent Brook have now been removed. Works had been carried out by Mon CC whereby concrete had been poured into a void under the deck, testing was carried out and it was deemed to be successful. The bridge will be monitored and possible further works carried out in the Spring.

CAERWENT COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Notice of Vacancy in Office of Councillor (Llanfair Discoed ward)

A notice has been published in regard to the above vacancy and there has been no request for an election to fill the vacancy. The Community Council are therefore now able to co-opt onto the Council. If anyone wishes to apply please send your expression of interest to:

Caerwent Community Council Mayfield Pill Row Caldicot Monmouthshire NP26 5JD

or email: clerk@caerwentcc.com

You must be at least 18 years of age, a British citizen, a qualifying citizen of a Commonwealth country, a citizen of the Irish Republic, or a citizen of another member state of the European Union.

One of the following criteria must also be fulfilled. You must:

- Be on the electoral register
- Own a property or land for the last 12 months in the parish
- Work in the parish in the last 12 months
- Have lived in the parish or within 4.8 kilometres for the last 12 months

Closing Date: 8th October 2014

Contact:- The Clerk to the Council:

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