

CAERWENT COMMUNITY COUNCIL

From time to time we report on measures to encourage people to drive more slowly. The local police now have their own monitoring equipment which has recently been used in the area. They will shortly be out again with a view to warning those caught speeding. However, this policy will shortly be changed and prosecutions will be the norm so beware!

Following on from the spate of thefts of heating oil and implements from sheds, via a grant from this Council, the Police will soon be able to supply audible locks at a very reasonable price. These locks let out a very loud alarm when tampered with.

On the matter of School Lane in Caerwent, Officers from MCC Highways are evaluating the consultation responses and it may well be that a Public Enquiry might have to be held over the proposal to close off this road at its junction with the A48. We will let residents know what is to happen in due course. For those who are unaware of the proposals, Highway Officers are concerned that increased traffic volumes in the area are likely to create a safety issue by using this route and then subsequently the main street of Caerwent as a "Rat Run". The idea is to dissipate the traffic to encourage the use of other routes.

On the subject of allotments, we may be making progress in that some parcels of land have been identified for this use. More as we get it.

Whilst we wait for the installation of the dog waste bins near the Roman Wall can we remind those who walk their dogs there of the need to clear up after them. It is most unpleasant for other walkers as well as a health hazard, as is dog fouling wherever it occurs.

You may recall that the "Frostbite" team who filmed "Captain America" in the Base during November made a donation to the Community as a "Thank You" for putting up with them. It was decided that some of the money should provide a bench for the play area in Lawrence Crescent. It was also agreed to look into providing quality village signs.

Phil Murphy
Chairman