

The Community Council has been looking at the provision of a defibrillator within the community. As explained last month we are looking at the possible options for locating this device, which would provide access to those needing it and ensuring that it is unlikely to be interfered with. Our research show a number of systems being used in different areas and one that we would like to investigate further is that of local "Community First Responders".

Community First Responder (CFR) volunteers are trained to attend emergency calls received by the ambulance service and provides care until the ambulance arrives. Volunteers can arrive at an emergency scene in a matter of minutes, as they are sent to calls in their local area. We would then build the planning of the defibrillator around any First Responders. If you think you might like to take on this type of role within the community please contact the clerk on the email address below.

We are also currently looking at the provision of noticeboards within the community. In todays era of social media and the Internet are the noticeboards used? We are looking for your thoughts on the matter. We are intending in the first instance to only use three noticeboards for the next three months. The boards to be used are situated in Llanvair Discoed, Crick and at the church in Caerwent. We are required by law to only provide one noticeboard for the community and have for the last few years been providing nine boards. If you have a specific reason for requiring any of the current boards excluding those mentioned above please send your reasons for retaining that board to the clerk on the email below.

The Council was please to be able to award £150 to the Best Kept Village campaign being organised by residents of Llanvair Discoed this year. Work has already started on the displays and having had successful entries in past years we hope that this years entry is just as successful. We wish them luck in their efforts and look forward to some wonderful displays. Further details are available from the Llanvair Discoed website. www.llanvairdiscoed.com

By the time you read this newsletter work would have started on the extension and renovations to the Village hall. It is hoped that the main hall will remain usable throughout the works but it is likely the bar area and kitchen will be taken out of action at some time during the 24 week project. We hope that the final result will be a community building fit for the next 40 years.

Finally we have received the following request from a TV production company. Anyone wishing to participate should contact the clerk in the first instance.

We are looking for families to take part in this exciting new series and capture their dreams, ambitions and the journeys they go on and also the changes that will happen to the world and surroundings we live in. We want to embrace the highs and lows of family life (that we all experience) from kids not flying the nest to weddings on the horizon. Perhaps there are some interesting families doing amazing things within your local area e.g. in local business, community work, events or sporting families.

Regards

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