**CYNGOR CYMUNED GOETRE FAWR COMMUNITY COUNCIL (GFCC)**

Planning Application Review Committee

Minutes of the Video Conferencing Meeting held 28th September 2022

Present:

Community Councillors: Jan Butler, Nigel Morrey, Owen Dodd, Andy Barnes.

Welcome and Chairman’s Remarks

The meeting commenced at 19.00 with thanks to all for joining this Planning Application Review Committee meeting by teleconference.

Declarations of Interest

With regard to the meeting agenda, attendees were invited to declare any personal interests, no personal interests were declared.

1. Planning Permission

**Monmouthshire County Council** 8th September 2022

**Application Number:** DM/2022/00966 **Grid Reference**: 331817 203198

**Application Type:** Planning Permission

**Planning Officer:** Ms Jo Draper

**Proposal**: New covered area for additional retail space in existing garden centre.

**Address:** [The Secret Garden](https://www.google.com/maps/@51.7233515,-2.9891537,3a,60y,79.36h,83.14t/data=!3m6!1e1!3m4!1svPiX20o8aNw7xknKFq-suw!2e0!7i16384!8i8192)

Pentwyn Farm

A4042 T Goytre to Penperlleni

Penperlleni

Goytre

NP4 0JE

**Conclusion / Comments**.

On consideration the councillors present had no concerns with the proposal to install a new covered area to provide additional retail space. However, concerns were expressed regarding the potential addition in business, increased traffic, and site access risk. Site access from the A4042 has been previously identified as a problem with cars regularly slowing, and stopping on the high-speed carriageway, to turn right into the site. A proposal to instal a right turn only lane from the A4042 into the site was presented (WelTag) to the GFCC in August 2021. Reference drawings prepared by the contractor Atkins for SWTRA JR36\_001-ATK-HGN-SWTRA-DR-D-002 and JR36\_001-ATK-HGN-SWTRA-DR-D-003. At that time GFCC recommended that, even with the road improvements, traffic should not be permitted to exit the site by crossing over two lanes, and double white lines, into the third lane and the Abergavenny direction. All traffic should be required to left turn south only on leaving the site.

**Conclusion proposed by** Councillor Morrey, seconded by Councillor Dodd.

The meeting was closed at 19.36

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