

The old coracle shed planning application



A planning application has been submitted to Telford and Wrekin Council for change of use of this old coracle shed to allow it to be used as a small "virtual" museum to tell the story of the coracle men who used to live and work in the Gorge. Part of this work will involve stabilising and repairing the shed. The work will involve minimal works which are not expected to inconvenience the public or neighbours.

The shed is now completely empty and the information will be made available to visitors by looking through small peepholes in the door and through the window. People will not have any other access to the shed, it is too small.

The Coracle Trust is not expecting large numbers of visitors to visit the shed at any one time. There will also be a Coracle Trail and a Coracle Centre based at the Green Wood Centre which will provide more information for visitors and local people.

The "virtual" museum will be visible through the windows and peepholes in the shed door. There will be no actual objects in the shed, only wonderful images. This is achieved using an old Victorian illusion called the Pepper's Ghost effect - no computers, only light and mirrors!



The shed has been empty since 2003. The Ironbridge Coracle Trust is renovating it with funds from the Heritage Lottery Fund and Arts Council England.

For more information please contact:
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Visit www.coracleshed.org for more information.

**Planning application for the shed is at
Telford and Wrekin Planning
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Coracle Centre planning application



A planning application has been submitted to Telford and Wrekin Council for a new shed to be built at the Green Wood Centre - a Coracle Centre telling the story of the use of coracles in the Ironbridge Gorge.

The last of the coracle men died in 2003 and the Ironbridge Coracle Trust was set up to keep the heritage of coracles alive in the Gorge.

The Coracle Centre will contain many of the items that were in the original shed that have been rediscovered. The Coracle Centre will provide interpretation for those items and tell the social history of Ironbridge in the last 100 years. The building work is not expected to inconvenience visitors to the Green Wood Centre.



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Rediscovered net making tools



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