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For my GCSE Coursework, I have chosen the topic of Tourism. The aim of my project is to find out whether tourism has any: i) environmental impacts, ii) Economic impacts, or iii) Social impacts on Caerleon.

ANALYSIS

Fosse lane had the most amount of litter out of all five areas. Fosse Lane is situated next to the Roman Barracks so the litter could have been caused by tourists. On the other hand Caerleon School is also situated on the end of Fosse Lane, so the most likely explanation is that the litter has been caused by school children, as it is a popular lane for them to walk amongst. The only area that comes close is the Bull Inn. The Bull is situated in the High street of Caerleon and is not often walked amongst with the tourists as there are no main tourist features or landmarks there. Residents and members of Caerleon go around that area as there are local shops and the Bull is a local pub, popular with the locals.

Tourists usually arrive in Buses and Coaches as means of transport and the most coaches are parked in the Fosse Car Park as the amphitheatre is situated next to it. The most amount of traffic was caused by private motor vehicles most likely to be owned by residents or workers of Caerleon. The most amount of traffic occurs at the Bull Inn as it is situated on the main High street of Caerleon, whereas other areas in question are not on main streets.

My Environmental survey shows that I felt that the most ugly and uninviting area was the Broadwalk. No tourists normally would go down the Broadwalk, as it is a Residential street mainly used by residents. The Fosse area is pretty average and is the main area for tourists and the best areas were the Red Lion and the Bull Inn as the locals like to look after their local pubs, and no tourists are usually found in those areas.

The Human Evaluation shows a similar pattern to the Environmental survey. The Broadwalk is overall untidy and scruffy, the Fosse areas are vandalised and eroded, and the pub areas are the best presented, but a lot of cars are present meaning high levels of air pollution.

CONCLUSION

The aim of my project was to find out the whether tourism had any: i) environmental impacts, ii) Economic impacts, or iii) Social impacts on Caerleon.

Reviewing my results, I conclude that tourism doesn't really have any impacts on Caerleon's environment, no economic impacts from the shopkeeper's questionnaire, and no social impacts found in the questionnaires. I found out that schoolchildren and residents of Caerleon cause the most impacts in Caerleon.