



The Old Hall, Cowbridge, which may soon be used as an educational centre.



A view of High Street, Cowbridge, showing the old world atmosphere blending with today's "modern" motor car.

A modern idea for the Old Hall

ALTHOUGH people wish to preserve the olde world character of Cowbridge, everyone is pleased to see an old building improved, as long as its alterations accord with tradition.

The Old Hall in the town has undergone a great deal of restoration and improvement work in this way, costing £130,000, and is now to be used as an adult community centre. The whole operation has been so tastefully carried out that the building still blends in with the unique architecture of Cowbridge.

Mr. Alan Higgins, Assistant Education Officer for further education told the Mayor and members of the Cowbridge Town Council, that in view of the large sum of money spent on the restoration of the building, it was intended to make as full use of the amenities as possible.

He said this could be done by using it as an adult community centre to be known as Cowbridge Community College, which will cater for

both academic and non-academic members.

Responsible for the Old Hall and living within the actual buildings would be a community tutor who would organise the various classes and arrange programmes of concerts.

It is also envisaged the idea will be enlarged to cover an area concept, and that the person in charge will develop other centres in the adjoining villages.

It was also stated that with the eventual demise of the Grammar School, there will be an opportunity to link the Grammar School buildings with the Centre, and the buildings adapted to become a residential college for adult courses.

The type of activities to be held in the college are not intended to clash with existing facilities held in the evening classes of the local schools.

Organisations within the town or the area will also be able to hire the facilities of the hall.