



Green Pastures
McFarland's Down
St. Mary's
Isles of Scilly
TR21 ONS

27th August 2012

Council of the Isles of Scilly
Planning & Development Department
St Mary's

F.A.O. Mr Craig Dryden

Dear Mr Dryden,

**Objection to Planning Reference P/12/084/FUL
For High Pines, McFarland's Down, St. Mary's, Isles of Scilly**

Your above referenced letter of the 8th August 2012 states that the plans for High Pines are improvements. The plans clearly show that the intention is to turn a two bedroom bungalow into a five bedroom house which we feel are considerably more than simple "improvements" to accommodation. As stated in the application, their plans involve supplying a home for seven people. Immediately it is obvious that the new plans will not sit comfortably among the other buildings in McFarland's Down. However this seems to pale into insignificance to the impact the family and future families will have in the neighbourhood. Already we have cars parked outside High Pines in the road. As the family grows up the four children will need to be constantly transported to their various activities and later they will require transport of their own. Where will that be housed? If the elderly relative or au pair has a vehicle where will that be housed. As we are not on mains drainage it will require a very large unit to contain the effluent for 7 people; how will this be serviced? The extra drainage from a house of this size will impact on all the properties below High Pines. The condition of McFarland's Down has already been undermined by recent load transport activity and it is a concern that should an Emergency vehicle need rapid access it could prove difficult. During the proposed build of this large property it is inevitable that access will become more limited to our property which is directly opposite.

When these bungalows were built on very modest plots they were not intended for large families. They were not built to high standards, many not having substantial foundations. They were cheap housing for post war families and were built low rise to have little impact on the environment. Bar Point and its environs is an area of outstanding natural beauty. The character of McFarland's Down will be totally altered by a building of the size proposed.

We therefore object to the above referenced plans on the above grounds.

Yours Faithfully

Nick and Geri Bright