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Dear Craig,

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Being one of the owners of the properties fronting the proposed Well Cross Development, I must object most strongly to the manner in which the Council of the Isles of Scilly are conducting this matter.

In the first instance I personally and have offered to purchase the land and derelict buildings (which should be listed) which the council appear to have given away. In my own case, letters that I have written to the Council seem to have vanished, at least I cannot find any replies to any that I have written nor even acknowledgment of receipt, is it any wonder I am bewildered. My own applications go back to the days when Mr. Chudleigh was "renting" the buildings and may I point out one letter which I delivered by hand to the council was not considered confidential enough, in fact 15 minutes or so after I had put this letter in, Mr. Chudleigh knew of the contents and was deriding me for trying to put him on the streets, conveniently neglecting to say that the letter contained an assurance that he could stay until he had finished with the buildings, I can assume that was part of my correspondence that wasn't conveyed to him.

I have also in the past made an offer to the Council of an exchange of four garages that I owned complete with the concreted forecourt for the land in question, once again the Council not even granting me the courtesy of a reply, the garages have since been developed into accommodation.

Since that time in one way or another I have applied to be considered to be able to purchase the land and to date have had no indication of a reply in my records. To the present time I am amazed that offers to buy the flat have been ignored or lost, I can't say which, I do know that cash in the local coffers is better than this apparent give away for what can only be said is totally inappropriate in my view and substandard for a new proposed development. In my experience with past and present Councils I think that the methods which are being employed are sometimes bordering on "unlawful" and "unethical", also perhaps it would be a good idea to find out who the actual owners were before sending out notices of intention to develop.

The present plans are in my opinion totally inappropriate. Windows are almost nonexistent with the majority of light coming through sky lights making the view for future occupants nonexistent and offering them gold fish bowl type of living. With windows from the nearby flats looking down into the majority of the rooms of the proposed buildings, hardly a case for privacy.

Perhaps it may be worthwhile pointing out that the shop fronting the proposed development would be less secure, opening the rear to all and sundry would not be my idea of the security we have enjoyed up to now, it will involve a considerable expense to install security devices to bring the security of the buildings up to the standards required by insurance companies.

Yours sincerely,