

Tater du
Church Rd.
St. Mary's
TR21 ONA

PLANNING NOTICES:

With reference to the planning application re **Tregarthen's Hotel. P/15/066/FUL P/15/066/FUL**
and **P/15/067/FUL Men a Vaur, Church Road.**

Living in the near vicinity of the proposed Men a Vaur development, I would like to register my deep concern as to the size of the proposed buildings, the impact on the surrounding residents, and the necessity of it.

Tregarthen's Hotel presently has staff accommodation for at least 10 on-site staff, which the owners are saying is "under-used", yet they are proposing to demolish these and build "hostels" for about twice that number in an area which is already having problems with parking, and is predominantly family orientated.

That number of staff in one area is bound to lead to noise and persistent antisocial behaviour, which will upset people with young families and elderly residents living in close proximity.

The hotel's owners are more likely to keep an eye on their staff if any antisocial behaviour is going to impinge on the comfort of their paying residents than if it is out of sight and hearing up the road!

If the present hotel has apparently more than adequate accommodation for their needs, then I strongly feel it should be kept and possibly updated, rather than demolished to make way for self catering chalets. Any "under-used" accommodation could be offered to other establishments as it is always in demand on Scilly!

If they need some self-catering options, let them be in the existing Men-a-Vaur building, and leave the garden intact.

On another point, when we purchased our present house, Tater du, we were informed by the then planning officer that, should we ever try to obtain planning permission for any building in the back garden, it would be turned down as there was insufficient access for emergency vehicles. When we pointed out that the furthest properties in Branksea Close were further away, he assured us that, if someone applied to build Branksea Close today, it would never get planning permission granted for that very reason!

The access road at the rear of Men-a-Vaur is private, and the residents have always refused point blank to make any through-way to Branksea or Men-a-Vaur. The access down the side of Men-a-Vaur is obviously not wide enough for fire access either. The chances of having a fire in accommodation "hostels" housing many separate individuals, probably of not very mature years, is well above average.

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