8, Branksea Close, St. Marys, Isles of Scilly TR21 0ND

To: Planning Dept., Council of Isles of Scilly, Town Hall, St. Marys.



PLANNING NOTICES: P/15/066/FUL P/15/067/FUL P/15/068/FUL MEN a VAUR, CHURCH ROAD

We are objecting strongly to these planning applications for the following reasons:-

## 1. INACCURACY OF GROUND PLANS

The ground floor extension at the rear of 8 Branksea Close for disabled living accommodation has been omitted. We are concerned about the angle of windows from P/15/067/FUL Block 1 overlooking the windows and affecting the outlook from this extension. This block is very close to our home thus impinging on our privacy.

## 2. POSITION OF PROPOSED SITE

Two extra blocks of staff accommodation/hostels being built in the garden of Men a Vaur is totally inappropriate for the area which is one of family residential houses with mature gardens. This area is already over developed with 8 family houses in Branksea Close and 6 units recently built where a single house once existed. However, these 6 units are much needed Social Housing as opposed to the developments at Men a Vaur which are purely commercial.

P/15/068 FUL Block 2 is situated extremely close to 4 Branksea Close. Have the angle of front windows of 8 and 4 Branksea Close to Block 2 been considered?

Men A Vaur is currently used as a staff house to accommodate staff from another business. Why is this not used now for Tregarthens own staff? The hotel already has staff accommodation on site which is being demolished because it is "under used". Staff should be housed in their place of work

We live only a few feet away and parallel to these proposed plans. We certainly have no wish to have noise and other disturbances from around 30 or more staff at all hours of the day and night. The entrance to these two garden blocks are squeezed up against the only entrance path to all the houses in Branksea Close. This entrance is the boundary between the Close and proposed site.

Two long established trees have already been felled and many more will also have to be felled to accommodate these blocks.

It is of concern to us that every year in late summer bats use this garden at dusk as their feeding ground. This need to be considered.

## 3. SEWERAGE AND WATER

Sewers at our end of Branksea Close block every 8 weeks. No. 4 has had drains bubbling up outside of the kitchen window. Dates this year: Feb 20<sup>th</sup>, May 21<sup>st</sup>, Aug 2<sup>nd</sup>.

We cannot see how another 30 or more people will do anything but add to the problems with sewerage.

We note that each room in these two blocks have toilet /shower facilities. This will add to our already draining water supplies on St. Marys.

Further concerns: Regarding the proposed developments there is only one small access at the side of Men a Vaur house. Fire risks need to be considered regarding quick access and exit should there be an emergency.

Our long term concern is should these plans be passed this can set a precedence for more two story houses possibly being erected in neighbouring gardens.

The residents of 4 Branksea Close, Mr and Mrs Frank Pender are away at the moment and are in agreement with all of these objections.

We invite the planning officers and councillors to view the site from our perspective.

Mr and Mrs J. M. Purkiss

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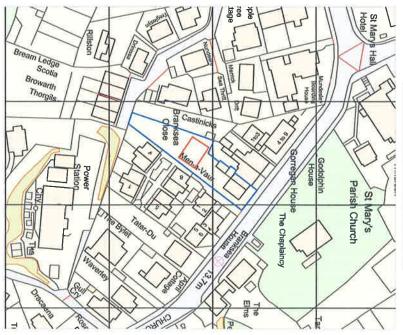
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