

Subject: FW: Planning Reference: P/17/039/FUL

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Dear Mrs Walton and the Councillors of the Isles of Scilly

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Regarding the resubmitted proposal, I still feel I have to object to these plans for all the same reasons as the last time.

The removal of the small veranda at the front of the building is an improvement, although the main block and mass of the rear extension is basically the same, but would now jut out towards the row of listed buildings even more at the top. The drawing for the east elevation is misleading as it shows the extension and garden of Roanoke, as being about equal size and this is not the case. The extension will in fact come out from the wall of the main building more than 50% of the way towards our boundary wall, with the remaining space in between, at less than 2 metres.

At the last meeting, the Chairman opened the case for this application, by saying that it was a legal requirement for the proposal to be decided on material planning considerations, we then had one member straight away ask for a deferral and this member had already gone through the same prolonging process at a previous meeting for a deferral on the plans for Roanoke. Another member put forward a consideration in favour of the applicants, as a young local family, working in an all year-round business, compared with some of the other buildings owned by second home owners – nothing to do with material planning considerations and could even be considered offensive: Mrs Griggs, who is retired and lives in Pieces of Four, all year round and would lose most of the direct sunlight on the rear of her property if this goes ahead; the owners of properties let to holiday-makers that spend money in local businesses; Mr and Mrs Thomas who can trace their Scillonian families back many generations, and myself having lived and worked on the Isles of Scilly for 35 years. As neighbours of the adjoining and adjacent properties, who would have to live with the overbearing consequences of this extension should it go ahead, in terms of planning, are we all worth less consideration?

The Planning Officer said there needed to be major significant changes to the plans and none have been forth coming. A little bit has been taken from one area and added somewhere else. This is a two and half storey extension which is overbearing and dominant, that will result in a huge impact on all surrounding properties, with the loss of outlook, loss of light, overshadowing and increased overlooking.

It is said there is no precedent in planning, but it would be almost impossible to turn down any similar planning application from another property, if this one is granted 'in sympathy' to the needs of the residents, with the resultant extension - along with any other extensions following afterwards on neighbouring properties – being there long after the present incumbents were gone.

I trust that my objections will be taken into account and that material planning consideration will be given to the facts and planning guidelines in any decision relating to this planning application.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Yours sincerely

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