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Dear Lisa

I'm writing to you in regards to the Men-a-Vaur planning application. I have a number of serious concerns and issues with this application.

1. Garden Grabbing - according to current government policy, this garden is in a built-up and as such, it is (presumably) classed as a greenfield site. Therefore, one must consider all human and environmental factors, not just consume land and space for short-term solutions. This relatively small area of land has a massively positive impact on all those that live in the near, and not so near, vicinity (other sites are available nearby where a project like this would have much less impact, eg old school site).

2. Loss of amenity - the loss of this site would result in a complete loss of visual amenity - from a much-loved wildlife garden to 'block of flats'. Such a development would overshadow many/all of the adjacent properties - in other words going from a light sunny disposition to complete shadow (depending on time of day etc) with no pleasant view whatsoever. Thus; a dramatic loss of light and a potential loss of privacy...

3. Overdevelopment - surely the immediate sewerage infrastructure would not be able to cope with a new development - it can barely accommodate the current volume.

4. Impact on trees - this 'garden' is the last vestige of the old Branksea Farm orchard and as such may contain some local varieties (rare) of fruit trees - these may warrant/require a preservation order...

5. Negative effect on nature conservation - this area provides many key benefits for wildlife. It forms a vital stepping stone or environmental corridor for birds and other wildlife as they commute from one area to another. Loss of such habitats have a massively negative impact on the local ecosystem. Many local and migrant birds, butterflies and other creatures use this area feed and breed - this includes the Scilly shrew and Pipistrelle bats. The unrelenting loss of precious habitats such as this are unsustainable a will negatively impact on Scilly as an ANOB - who wants to visit (or live in) a concrete jungle...

Regards,

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