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To whom it may concern,

I have been a regular visitor to St Martin's for over 20 years. During this time, I have seen the evolution of the vineyard. I have seen the amount of work involved and the dedication of the owners and I believe this venture has been a success on a number of levels.

St Martin's is an appealing holiday destination in a unique way, in that it is a beautiful, working island; an escape from the fast pace of life on the mainland, and the vineyard has become one of the main features appreciated by visitors who return year after year to sample the wine produced in a place they love.

Over the years, I have seen how the island has been populated by an influx of enterprising young people. They have brought with them their skills and have contributed to the island economy as well as populating the school with a new generation of children, giving the island new energy and life.

A number of buildings have already sprung up on the same lines as those proposed, and nowhere on the island is there a structure which stands out from existing buildings. The structure and style of the buildings proposed will enable them to fit in discreetly with those already in existence on the site of the vineyard, and will enable this young couple to take over the vineyard and continue to make it a success. Furthermore, I think the shepherds' huts would provide much needed economic stability.

The present owners are both in their seventies and understandably want to devote more time to family matters and to enjoy a well earned rest. The fact that a young couple with appropriate skills has gone to such lengths to draw up planning details suggests that they are totally committed to the venture. Since the present owners will continue to live on the island, support will be in place.

The prospect of seeing the vines left untended and of seeing the land left unworked would be tragic. The vines in themselves are an attractive feature of the landscape. I warmly support this application and feel that every encouragement should be given to these young people who will clearly be dedicated to integrating with the life of the island.

Yours faithfully,

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