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RE- Planning reference P/20/048/FUL
Men-a-vaur Church Road

We are writing to register our objections to yet another planning application for the above. The reasons for refusal of previous applications still apply.

R3 The access hasn't altered and if being used for all the building materials to be brought in and the removal of trees etc. then residents access and any necessary access including emergency access would be limited. There is also the granting of permission to split the garden into two and provide a separate access from Branksea thus allowing both properties to be sold separately without any restrictions in place.

It is questionable that in accordance with the adopted Isles of Scilly local plan which aims to "develop to meet the needs of the community" this applies as access to the islands is not easy for the disabled and wheelchair users are very restricted once here.

The property is purely for holiday letting and overdevelops what was once a family home. With 12 guests in Men-a-vaur plus 8 in the proposed property the demands on water (the pressure is already low) and sewerage (the drains have to be regularly cleared and we have had sewerage escaping in our garden and Rams Valley – with health implications). There is also the noise issue – already a problem with Men-a-vaur in what is a very quiet residential area - most properties having 1/3 residents, with 20 people in the outside space it could have a huge impact on us all.

R2 Greenspace will still be lost as one of the last large remaining areas in Hugh Town for birds and wildlife.

We hope you will carefully consider the implications, not only for now, but for the future, including the precedents it will set.

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