

Dear Lisa & Planning

### **Men a Vaur P/20/048**

We read with much sadness that Mr Selleck has resubmitted new plans for the garden at **Men a Vaur**. I'm sure I can speak for the many neighbours i've spoken to since we saw the latest plans yesterday.....without doubt the general agreement is 'what do you expect? the man's a property developer, that's all he knows, money and he doesn't care about all of us as he doesn't live here'.

While the basic 'problem concerns' still remain, one wonders why no one from the council has asked for the removal of the wooden fence inside Branksea's lane.....I have emailed yourself repeatedly about the issue.....you have never bothered to 'follow' up our concerns.



As you will **again** see in the **1904 C.J.King image** attached that i've sent you previously! (copyright owned by **R.Douglas, Chemist Ltd**) the boundary wall for **Rosevean** is shown. This still existing wall is now as the boundary of **Men a Vaur**, (**Men a Vaur** having been built in **Rosevean's** garden.) Likewise **Godolphin Flats** were built in our garden at **Gorregan House**. That boundary wall is also still 'in situ'. My previous argument still remains....how can a new dwelling cut through a boundary wall and have access over the council's lane? Men a Vaur has it's own pre existing access onto Church Road.

At the meeting we attended the last time Mr Selleck asserted that the 'council had gifted him access via Branksea Lane'. Why can we not be allowed to see proof of this? Mr Selleck also stated at the same meeting that he **ONLY** used his **OWN** workmen.....however he did look embarrassed when I rebuked him as he'd asked my husband to look at installing numerous bathrooms/ensuites to **Men a Vaur**.

In the last few years, we have had the same arguments over and over again in regard to **Men a Vaur** and its inhabitants, be they staff, or noisy guests. Enough is enough surely?

We all have to live here, preferably in 'peace and quiet', in general the surrounding residents are older people, but there are some young families. Mr Selleck is only an occasional visitor to the islands. Any money he makes leaves the islands. A second holiday let is unnecessary, even aimed at

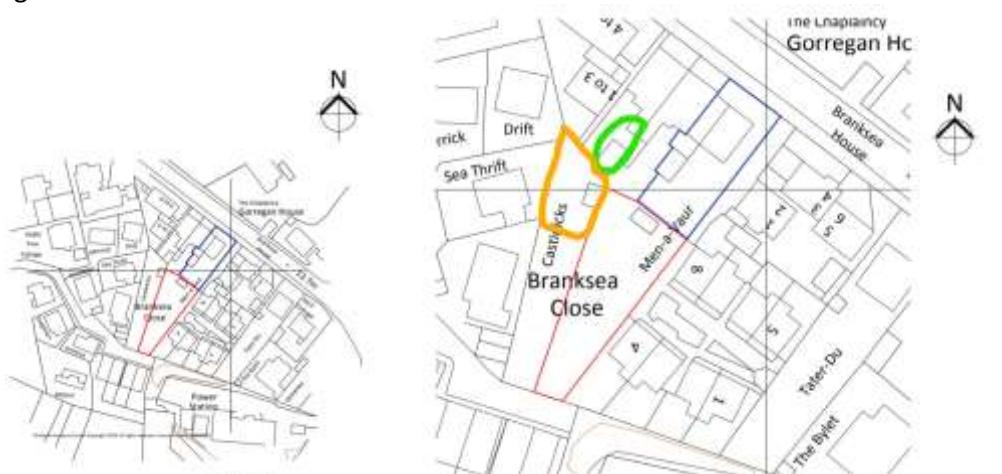
disabled people when Scilly is so not geared towards the 'less able'. What is there in place to stop this being simply a financial speculation on Mr Selleck's part? With no **S106** restrictions/caveats in place, what is there to stop it being sold at the earliest opportunity at vast profit, and being lived in permanently or used for other purposes.

Convenient photographs purporting to show vehicles accessing the lane, don't mention they are small vehicles especially the narrow chassised dust cart. Again there is no mention of parking, yet the latest plans are playing that good old 'trump card' of 'disabled visitor'....who undoubtedly would hire a golf buggy....In a normal year, parking or rather the lack of, on **Church Road** for 'locals' is dire. Four or five golf buggies is the norm. Mainly due to the council's failing to put parking spaces in the **Branksea Flats** developments. My husband is a '**Blue Badge**' holder, most days throughout the year he is unable to park in front of our home.

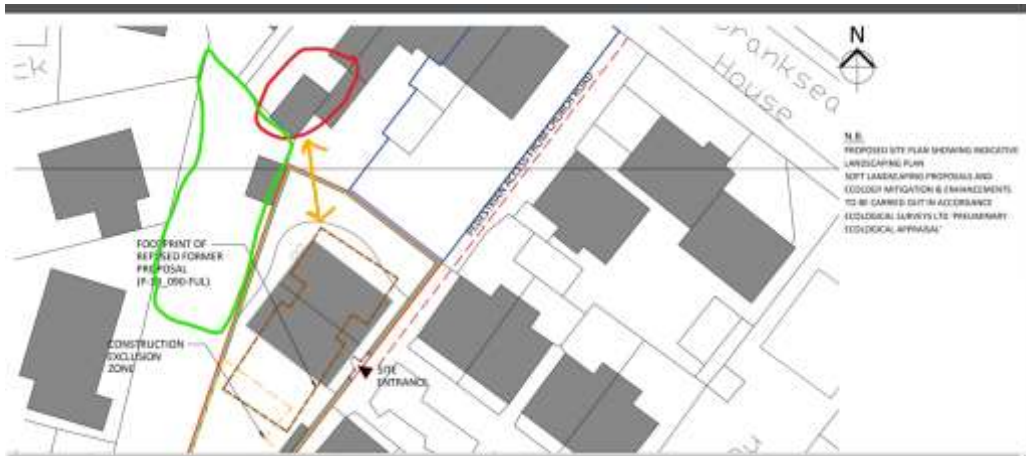
Where will lorries park when delivering materials, this is the main road to both the hospital, health centre and the airport.

The drainage and sewerage system is old. This is an ongoing problem. We have constant problems in the area with water, the council knows this and has done nothing to improve the failing infrastructure. **South West Water** has closed the road several times in the last few weeks to try and solve water issues. I cannot be the only householder that has to take buckets and hoses to blocked sewers and drains around our property as recently as last week..

Also why would such a modest build require so many ensuites, toilets, bathrooms etc? We have limited water resources. We should be encouraging less use, not giving permission for more usage!



More worrying from our point of view is both the 'out of date' plans being referred to in the new submission....our bedroom extension, built over twenty years ago at **Gorregan House** that extends to our rear boundary isn't even shown. As shown in green above. The yellow area is also owned by Ms Chandler of Gorregan House, the proposed entrance would be merely a few feet away from our main bedroom window.....goodness only knows how that would impact on us. Visitors are not normally quiet, especially when alcohol is involved! Last summer the noise from the Men a Vaur guests, especially the gig rowers drinking in the garden was awful, we did get an apology when we tackled the rowers...but at the time it wasn't pleasant. My husband has Alzheimer's Disease any unexpected noises from visitors at any / late hours will disturb him. I'm also concerned that the rear bedroom windows will look into our windows.



The yellow line illustrates the short distance to our main bedroom window (red ring illustrates our main bedroom, windows on gable) to the proposed new entrance. The green is the wrongly attributed land. Ms Chandler has permitted access through our garden into hers.

What other things are wrong?

Yours

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