

From: [Julie Havlin](#)
To: [Planning \(Isles of Scilly\)](#)
Subject: RE: P/22/015/HH Rowenruth, Pungies Lane, St Mary's
Date: 19 February 2022 16:49:13
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Dear Lisa,

Thank you for taking the time to write to us. We are rather disappointed that you seem to be unwilling to even consider the side balcony at all, especially as there are so many of them on the Islands already, and many of them in considerably more prominent positions than ours. We would very much like to have some outside space where we could enjoy the stunning views as the gardens are completely surrounded by very high hedges. You stated that balconies are not a feature in the McFarlands Down/Telegraph area, but in fact they are. We have noted numerous examples of them on our daily dog walks which we have included for your information, please see the attached file. Photograph 1 shows two properties next door to each other on McFarlands Down, both with balconies. Photograph 2 is opposite the entrance to the Golf Club, less than ¼ of a mile from Rowenruth. Photograph 3 is on the road at Porthloo; ½ a mile away. Photograph 4 is Trewince. There are of course many more examples including the Golf Club itself and Juliets' Garden. On Scilly as a whole I can very quickly come up with well over a dozen examples. You commented that "this would result in a form of development that neither preserves nor enhances the character of the conservation area", but as Scilly in it's entirety is a conservation area, I believe that precedent has already been well and truly set. I would also like to draw your attention to the fact that the property, Rowenruth is surrounded by less than attractive features already (photographs 5 - 10), in the form of 3 very large communications aerials, a British Telecom exchange, a water authority reservoir and a recycling point. A recent addition to the

area: the electric vehicle charging point, in front of the property is also less than visually stimulating. In our opinion, our balcony would be unobtrusive and enhance the appearance of our property, it is nothing like, for example the balcony on Spray View, at Deep Point (photographs 11 & 12), what we are proposing is something much smaller in scale and without an exterior staircase.

In regards to the proposed garage plans, we were hoping to replace the existing garage with something more attractive. The existing garage already all but obscures the proposed balcony position, and with the pitched roof of the new garage, the balcony would be invisible from the road entirely. However, if as suggested we would have to reduce the size of the proposed garage, I feel that we would probably just live with what is already there, as workshop space is very important to both of us. We maintain and repair our own vehicles, and also both have numerous hobbies which require a degree of space. Clive is a keen cyclist and has numerous bikes which take up a good amount of space, he also restores and owns several vintage motorbikes. I am a keen gardener and need room for propagating and raising my plants as well as space to store my rotovator, lawnmower, strimmers and hedge cutters, to name but a few of my tools. Quite frankly I'm not sure how we manage with the space we have already, let alone less!

Regards

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From: [Lisa Walton](#)

Sent: 09 February 2022 18:35

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Subject: P/22/015/HH Rowenruth, Pungies Lane, St Mary's

Dear Julie,

Please find attached a letter explaining a couple of concerns with the above application.

Regards

Lisa

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