

Mínalto Macfarlands Down St Mary's Isles of Scilly TR21 ONS

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Planning Reference: P/12/084

Location: High Pines, Macfarlands Down, St Mary's, Isles of Scilly.

In reply to the letter written by Mrs Schwarz regarding the planning application for a two story six bedroom enlargement and redesign of High Pines, Macfarlands Down, and having studied the proposed plans, my husband and I wish to lodge the following objections.

- 1. Privacy. We are very concerned about the number of additional windows planned on the North Elevation. This side directly looks on to our bungalow and garden and because the plans are to have a first floor with two windows immediately opposite our dining room and two more windows on the ground level facing our bungalow, one of which appears to be right next to a toilet in a bath room, also there is a roof light on the first floor overlooking the rear of our property. We feel this is a serious intrusion into our privacy to which we are entitled.
- 2. Light. Because of the 2metre roof raise and the two story extension out the back of the property we are extremely concerned about a severe restriction of light to our bungalow, especially during the winter months. It is quite obvious that these plans were drawn up recently, because if Mr Osborne had visited the site during the winter he would have realised that with such an enormous building to the south of our bungalow we will without doubt suffer badly from lack of light. Therefore we object strongly to the raising of the roof by so much, as well as having a two story extension jutting out at the back. Not to mention that an additional 3 metre extension at the front of the property will also restrict natural light to our bungalow.
- 3. Drainage. Because there is no mains drainage at Macfarlands Down, it is hoped that with such a vast increase in the size of the property, adequate

provision will be made for all the additional waste, and we trust that no excess drainage will seepfrom their gutters and pipes on to our property. It must have been noted that there is a gentle gradient towards the coast, and each plot is stepped slightly below the previous one, therefore for the consideration of considerably increased drainage disposal the plot must stand alone, and similarly the height of the roof of the house above High Pines, i.e Fairlawn, cannot be used as a comparable /matching roof height.

Finally a comment must be made about Mrs Schwarz's reasons for all these alterations. We know they are a professional couple - so were we in our working lives, but that does not give them a right to a large house. Nor does the fact that she is a Scillonian - which I am proud to be also - give her any special privilege to have a large house either. It is the number of children they chose to have which determines the size of the property they would like to own, in which case why buy a small bungalow in a quiet residential area when they knew they already required a large house three times the size of the existing bungalow to accommodate their large family, a relative and a nanny?

With respect Tansy & Rod Tugwell