Morva Porthcressa St Mary's Isles of Scilly TR21 0JQ

21 December, 2016

Dear Sir,

Objection to Planning Application no P/ 16/ 129/ FUL, re: Proposed Dwelling on Land at Porthcressa.

We write to state our objections to the proposed new dwelling as outlined in the above planning application.

We believe that the proposed building is overly tall and overbearing relative to the surrounding properties and out of character with the immediate environment.

Because of the bulk of the proposed building and its proximity to both the path up to Buzza Hill and to the already narrow Buzza Road we are concerned that its unavoidably dominant presence would adversely affect the established character of this special corner of our island. This character is important because very many visitors spend time on the green in front of this area largely because of its attractive natural and built environment, and walk either out along the coastal path towards Peninnis or up the path to Buzza Hill.

More specifically, there is no provision for parking for the occupants of the proposed house, or indeed any outside space for even a shed to keep the usual household things. With its very small overall plot size, it is difficult to see how that could be remedied.

In our opinion this is simply symptomatic of our general contention that this whole proposal represents an overdevelopment of this tiny plot.

We also note that much of the proposed exterior finish is cedar cladding whereas all surrounding properties, from the traditional granite cottages nearby to the more modern houses along Buzza Road beyond are finished in white painted render. This too, is an unsympathetic aspect of the proposed design and does not help it to fit comfortably in with the existing housing stock around it.

We are unaware of any of the claimed "consultation with the neighbours" involving ourselves as neighbours.

Yours faithfully,