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To the planning committee

RE: Planning application P-15-013

I would like to express some concerns regarding the above application.

Design & Access Statement section 3

Mention is made of the Karma Hotel and Hilldrop but notably no mention is made of Ashvale immediately to the south and one of the closest properties to this proposed development. Ashvale is, to my knowledge, the only listed building on St Martins and will be affected far more than any other property. Ashvale is already overlooked on two sides by the applicants existing holiday lets and this would overlook a third aspect. The existing barn is less than three metres from 'Ashvale' which has single glazed sash windows with old and very thin glazing which offers little to no sound proofing.

Section 4

The proposed let will, it is stated; "provide revenue for a local resident, enabling a local resident to remain resident upon the islands"

The applicants already have two holiday lets, which do not support a farm tenancy or any other diversifying industry, with the main let currently providing, at peak season, £2300 a week income.

The statement refers repeatedly to the dilapidated state of the existing structure as an argument for approval. A failure to maintain prominent historic structures within a Conservation Area over several decades and the threat to continue this trend (4.3) should, I feel, be seen a negative.
Section 5 No mention has been made of previous applications :-
P/11/008 P/04/5492
Finally, the assertation that this would be high quality accommodation is questionable. The fixtures, fittings and decoration, however good, will not detract from the fact that the site is right on the road with access directly onto the road with no garden or patio or any external space whatsoever and the only view is of someone else's gable end and garden.

Yours sincerely

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