Comments for Planning Application 23/01621/CLEUD

Application Summary

Application Number: 23/01621/CLEUD Address: Blenheim Cottage The Square Freshwater Isle Of Wight PO40 9QH Proposal: Lawful Development Certificate for continued use of property as a permanent residential dwelling Case Officer: Alexandra Lewis

Customer Details

Name: Mr Robert McLaren Address: Hobby Horse Cottage, The Square, Freshwater, Isle Of Wight PO40 9QH

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of the Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: I write in response to the "Island Residents" objection -

no name or address was given, I assume that the "Island Resident" in question has asked for their name to be redacted.

I would like the following noted:

Blenheim Cottage is occupied by a 75 year old lady who is well liked and involved in the local Freshwater Bay community. She has resided peacefully at this residence for 8+ years. When she moved into the property, prior to the pandemic, she travelled, and did not live at the property full time. Due to the pandemic, she is no longer able to travel. Rightly or wrongly, she didn't think about the status of her home, until very recently, when an anonymous "Island Resident" voiced concern about the status of her home to the IW Council - hence her / her son's application for continued use of the property as a residential dwelling.

People have lived in the Square, Freshwater Bay for many years, they remember who lived where, but not necessarily when. The consensus from speaking to 8 or 9 close neighbours is that the property has NEVER been used as a holiday home since the early 2000's.

The only thing the resident of Blenheim Cottage can think, that has caused the status of her home to be a concern, and the subsequent objection to her/her son's application, is a neighbourhood dispute with an adjacent second home owner.

The 75 year old lady, who lives at Blenheim Cottage feels that she is being bullied and driven out of her home - through no fault of her own - other than living within feet of a newly developed resort complete with open air swimming pool and hot tub, occupied on occasion by a second home "Island Resident" owner.

Regards

Please redact my name - thank you