

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

RE: PLANNING APPLICATION REFERENCE **22/01848/PP for Mr & Mrs P. Campbell**

16th August 2023

I would like very much to support the planning application Reference 22/01848/PP submitted by Mr & Mrs Campbell. I appreciate how short staffed our Planning Department have been over the past year, however this is as far as I can see a straightforward application to replace windows.

I understand the windows are slightly different to those which are in but when in place will look very much the same. They will also enable Mrs Campbell to be able to open the windows which is something she cannot do at the moment due to health issues. This is not ideal and the new windows planned would make things so much easier.

It is also very difficult to understand why this application was refused. Not only did it take almost a year (this means another winter with water ingress etc.) but because of the time delay prices of everything, (windows etc. plus fitting) has increased ridiculously. Their heating bills have also increased due to the state of the windows. They have been put in a very unfair situation because of the type of window they want to fit. The windows will keep the look of the building as does their neighbours.

As stated previously, neighbours have had an application passed for the same windows?? I believe however this was done retrospectively. Does this mean more people will put the windows in then apply?

I will not go into all the finer details as Mr Campbell has done so in his Appeal Letter. I would like to confirm that I completely agree with everything Mr Campbell has stated and I am more than happy to support his Appeal. I hope this application can be reconsidered and put an end to this ordeal for this family. I must add that Mr Campbell works for our local Health Board and is a very essential worker on the island. This should surely be taken into account as he is someone we definitely do not want to lose. We talk about getting people to move to Argyll & Bute and they are then treated in this way, which I find absolutely awful.

I am more than happy to discuss or attend any Appeals Hearing should it be required.

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