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Application reference  
P/2011/1673

Application address  
Plemont Bay Holiday Village, La  
Route de Plemont, St. Ouen

Objection reason (tick one or more)  
 Planning Policies  
 Character of the area  
 Character of the building  
 Noise and disturbance  
 Significant loss of light  
 Loss of privacy  
 Traffic generation and Road Safety  
 Car parking

Your comments  
I wish to lodge my objection to this application, firstly, as a resident of Portinfer, in close proximity to the proposed development and, secondly, in a wider sense due to the inappropriate nature of the scheme in this Green Zone area of Coastal National Park. Firstly, the increased stress that will be brought to this sensitive area and its immediate surroundings by demolition and construction traffic and the activity of the intended residents of the development is unacceptable. Regarding the wider principle, I will not attempt here to present an analysis of the contextual environmental, cultural and historical factors influencing a decision to approve or refuse this application. Anyone wishing to consider these issues would do well to read a letter written to the Jersey Evening Post on 12/06/08 by John Renouf:  
<http://www.thisisjersey.com/latest/2008/06/12/plemont-follow-the-example-of-bal-tabarin/> . I in fact returned to this letter when trying to locate some information on the 2001 purchase by the States of Jersey of the Bal Taberin site. Whilst the scale of the Plemont site is far greater in size, the comparison in principle is a good one. It is easy to forget in the intervening years since 2001 just how important the Bal Taberin land purchase was for the character of the area. While a decision on the planning application may not consider alternative long term solutions, it must refuse the development to ensure that in the future a use of this land that meets its needs as an area of Green Zone Coastal National Park; a use which is compatible with the Jersey government's commitments to preserving these parts of our landscape. Neither the pre-existence of the buildings on the site - acknowledged to be a series of earlier inappropriate intrusions on the landscape - nor the speculative risk on the part of the developer should cloud the judgement of the panel in refusing this application. The memory of the Bal Taberin may fade but visiting the area one can easily recall the earlier state of the site and celebrate the success of restoring the area to a natural state. The implication here of course is that a future use could be seen as a 'return to nature' for the site. This would obviously require demolition and removal of resulting waste needing careful management but would not demand the introduction of new materials and construction plant and machinery to the site. It is certain that a refusal of the present application will pave the way for future problem solving and long term use that will enable present and future Jersey residents and visitors to learn how the planning authority of 2012 had the vision and integrity to uphold its commitments to the value of our landscape. For this action today, you will be thanked by generations to come.  
  
Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: January 31, 2012

Copies of written comments will be forwarded to the applicant and made available to all interested parties upon request.