

Alex,

Many thanks for your email.

I believe that APP/24/00190 and APP/24/00191 should be called in primarily for reasons of highway safety and parking. The plot is at the entrance to Pennant Hills, on a sharp bend and very close to Portsdown Hill Road. Increasing the number of vehicles leaving the plot of land will increase the likelihood of an accident. Also, the proposed building work will reduce the size of the garden. Should the houses be occupied by a family there is a strong chance that children living there will play close to Portsdown Hill Road and be at risk of a traffic accident.

There is just about enough on street parking in Pennant Hills at present. If the number of vehicles increases it will make it much harder for ambulances and fire engines to use the road, should there be an emergency.

I am also concerned that the proposals will be detrimental to the design and appearance of Pennant Hills. Although the houses there are far from homogenous, there is currently a coherence to the street which makes it a very pleasant location. By adding significant buildings in such a prominent position this will be lost.

APP/24/00204 is very different. I believe this should be considered by the Planning Committee because it is part of a complex and contentious development and the public should be able to put their views and concerns, especially those relating to nature conservation and safety

Regards,

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