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The following is an interim policy to replace the revoked Specific Local Need (SLN) and Key Worker (KW) qualifying criteria, which were Supplementary Planning Guidance (SPG) documents adopted by the Council in 2005. The interim policy below will be used in place of these revoked SPGs until the new Local Plan 2015 – 2030 is adopted in 2019.

Any person seeking to apply for the new SLN, which now includes an employment section (in place of KW) then the application forms are on the Council's website:

<http://www.scilly.gov.uk/planning>

Interim Policy: Qualifying to Occupy Homes with Specific Local Need and Key Worker Occupancy Restrictions on the Isles of Scilly

Any home on the Isles of Scilly that is subject to an occupancy restriction, through a Section 106 Planning Obligation, for Specific Local Need or key Workers, will need to be occupied in perpetuity by a person or persons (and their dependants) with a proven housing need as their principal residence throughout the year. A proven housing need is where:

1. the property would be their sole private residence; and
2. they need to live permanently on the islands due to their employment circumstances and work commitments; or
3. they have been continuously resident on the islands for at least five years and require new accommodation as a result of the requirement to:
 - vacate tied accommodation; or
 - relocate to more suitable accommodation due to a medical and/or mobility condition; or
 - relocate to smaller accommodation due to under-occupation; or
4. they are a former resident who has previously lived permanently on the Isles of Scilly for a continuous period of at least 5 years and who:
 - a) has been away for educational, training purposes or to obtain work experience or professional or technical accreditation; or
 - b) is currently employed by the armed forces or merchant navy and whose main residence will be on the islands; or
 - c) is retired from the armed forces or merchant navy; or
 - d) needs to provide substantial care to a relative who has lived continuously on the islands for at least 5 years (substantial care means that identified as required by a medical doctor or relevant statutory support agency).

Approved by Members of the Council of the Isles of Scilly at Full Council on the 22nd February 2018