SUPPORTING STATEMENT

PLANNING APPLICATION FOR CHANGE OF USE OF CAFE (A3) TO RESIDENTIAL ACCOMODATION (C3)

Site Address: Nornour, The Parade, St. Mary's, Isles of Scilly.

Site: The application site is a three-storey terraced building on the north side of The Parade, Hugh Town. The building comprises a ground floor restaurant/cafe with living accommodation on the first and second floors.

Proposal: The change of use from restaurant/cafe (Use Class A3) to residential (Use Class C3). No external alterations are proposed.

The proposal involves converting the ground floor into residential accommodation to create a three-storey dwelling.

Reasons for proposed change of use

- I have two young grandsons to look after on a regular basis and I need ground floor living accommodation to provide a safe environment for them.
- I have tried unsuccessfully to sell the building. At least one other property within the immediate vicinity, with current use as an A3 cafe and restaurant, is on the market and has been vacant for several years.
- Due to the size and layout of the building the ground floor cafe unit could not be operated by another person, as this would result in significant privacy and amenity issues for me.
- Change of use to residential was previously granted planning permission and I see no reason why this should not be granted again.

Mrs E Heslin February 2014