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Subject: P/15/052/FUL New Boat Shed and Slip, New Grimsby, Tresco

Dear Lisa

Further to your email 4th September following the concerns raised by Natural England. I can confirm that:-

1. There will be no activity relating to the building project within the Castle Down SSI area.
2. The works will take place between November and March in any year.
3. The duration of works will be 4-6 weeks.
4. The building will be constructed using normal methods for this type.
 - A) Strip top soil and save for re-use
 - B) Cast concrete foundation pads to accept galvanised steel frames. Lay concrete over site and floor.
 - C) Steel frame to be roofed in traditional manner with fibre cement sheets. Walls to be clad with untreated vertical timber.
 - D) The building method will only require small tools apart from an excavator and a dumper.
 - E) Noise levels will be minimal in accordance with the above building method.
 - F) Slipway – Existing seawall to be removed to form a 5mtr gap, stone saved for future use on Tresco.
 - G) Sand will be excavated to accept shuttering for reinforced concrete ramp. Sand arising will be spread on adjacent beach.
5. Materials will be stored on existing concrete area adjacent to the site.

With reference to your query as to whether I would be happy with a condition to provide a C E M P, I can confirm that I would object most strongly to such a condition. Having reviewed the format for a C E M P on the government planning portal it would appear that this document might run to 30 or 40 pages. It will be time consuming and expensive to prepare and in my view will contribute nothing useful to the project.

The C E M P would be a disproportionate and inappropriate requirement for this small project. There is nothing in Ms Pipkins correspondence that persuades me that a C E M P would be justified.

In the event planning permission was granted for the project but conditional on a C E M P, I would appeal against the condition, this might take several months and delay the project by a year, which would have a detrimental effect on the economy of Tresco owing to our inability to carry out boat maintenance under cover. I can only regard this proposal as an attempt to obstruct investment with bureaucracy. As a Council we are committed to an agenda for growth. We are preparing a new local plan aimed at encouraging investment and enterprise in order to strengthen the economy on Scilly. Whilst I know that we are obliged to consult various Quangos I strongly believe that as a Council we should focus on advice which is practical and useful.

We must be careful to avoid sending a message that every project however small may be subject to obstruction and costly interference. I hope that in the circumstances you will agree with me that a C E M P would not serve any useful purpose.

Yours Sincerely
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