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BAT SURVEY REPORT

(P/17/079)

Survey requested by: Rachel Guy, Council of the Isles of Scilly
(Applicant)

on: 13/10/2017

Reason for survey request: Replacement of existing roof covering with natural slates.
NB: *This application is an additional element to that approved under application P/16/115, which involved more extensive improvements to the buildings and which has commenced. We had been unable to undertake a survey when P/16/115 was issued.*

Location: 14-19 Higher Strand, Hugh Town, St Mary's

Grid Reference: SV 904 105

Date: 18/10/17 **Time:** 15.25-15.35

Weather conditions: Fine, sunny afternoon, dry, 17°C; light breeze.

Description of building surveyed: Terrace of houses whose condition had deteriorated severely over the years. The roof, which forms the main focus of this survey is covered with felt material, which looks in reasonable condition.

Observations: That part of the roofing that we could see looks intact and in good condition. We could observe no access points for bats. However, it was impossible for us to see the whole of the roof area without actually getting up to roof level, which is clearly impossible. Our observations, therefore, have limitations. We did look at the soffits which offer no points of access for bats.

Conclusion/recommendation:

Given the reservations above, we can see no reason why this work should affect bats. *But care should be taken in removing the existing roofing and if any bats should be discovered during the work, they must not be handled: work must stop immediately and advice sought from local bat wardens in the first instance (Mike & Anne Gurr, 422224) or, if neither is available, The Bat Conservation Trust's National Bat Helpline on 0345 1300 228. The e-mail address is enquiries@bats.org.uk*

Other remarks:

The above recommendations need to be acted upon by the contractors and therefore this report should be copied to the chosen contractors before they commence work on the roof replacement.

Survey completed by*:

M.I. & E.A.Gurr

Copies to:

Andrew King, Lisa Walton, Rachel Guy
(Applicant), Planning Department.
Department
Please transmit a copy to Mr Tom Hocking
(Agent, Truro)

***Licence numbers:**

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