

## SUPPORTING STATEMENT

We are hoping to move the boat hire element of our business out of our current Boatyard to the area at the top of the beach at Green Bay, just in front of the Boatyard. We would like to purchase a bespoke small wooden hut where we could get our customers ready to go out on the water and meet them when they return. We are hoping that the location next to the footpath will enable us to attract more passing trade and the vantage point at the top of the beach would ensure the optimum safety of our customers as we would be able to watch them out on the water in Green Bay.

We are applying to change the use of a small part of land that falls just outside our Boatyard. The land is owned by the Isles of Scilly Wildlife Trust who have kindly given their support to our project. The land is not being used for any purpose at present and we would like to site a seasonal boat hire hut there on a temporary basis.

We will be mounting the hut on a trailer to enable us to move the hut in and out of the yard as necessary. When the hut is back inside the Boatyard the land will look just as it does now. We do not need to make any alterations or additions to the area. The boat hire business is seasonal and very weather dependant. The hut will only be in situ when we are able to offer boat hire and has been designed for us to be able to easily manoeuvre with our tractor.

If successful, we will purchase a solar panel to give power to the hut so do not need to run cables to the site. The area is one that we love, just at the top of one of our favourite beaches, so we are mindful of the appearance and the need to design something sympathetic to the area. With that in my mind, we have worked to create a bespoke design that will fit into the land as it currently lies. It will not affect or encroach on to the footpath that runs past.

The location of the hut will not increase the footfall to the area or the amount of noise generated- the new location is just across the path from our current Boatyard where our customers already visit.

Please see photos below showing the land. I have marked the area that we hope to site the hut in white.



Our two closest neighbours, living either side of Green Bay, have kindly emailed letters of support:

#### PLANNING APPLICATION

Proposed change of use of land at the southern end of Green Bay

I write in connection with the above planning application. I know the site well as the closest neighbour. I wish to offer our full support to the proposal, for the reasons outlined below.

- I believe the land is well suited to the sympathetic and well planned extension to the boatyard business. The boatyard is an excellent addition to the island's economy and tourism offering and should be encouraged to develop and improve.
- Bryher is a thriving island and there is considerable demand for boat hire at Green Bay. The siting of the moveable hiring shed will offer tourists staying and visiting Bryher and more visible facility.
- The new facility will sympathetic and attractive to the surroundings and will not negatively affect the bay's visual appearance.

Yours Sincerely

Isobel Tibbs

Proposed change of land use at southern end of Green Bay.

We are writing in full support of the above planning application.

Bennett Boatyard is a vibrant tourism attraction for Bryher and Isles of Scilly visitors.

We have seen a growing demand for boat hire at Green Bay and the provision of a movable hiring shed will be an excellent addition and enhancement to this business without having a negative effect on Green Bay and its surroundings.

Kristine and Geoff Taylor

Bryher