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Member of the Planing Committee  
Town Hall  
St. Mary's  
Isles of Scilly

Dear Officers and Councillors

My wife and I are writing to you with reference to my planning application to build a family home on land at Porthcressa, St Mary's, Isles of Scilly.

I have been a resident on the islands for over 20 years, working and living within the island community. I hold a Category 1 Key Worker Status.

I am employed by Western Power Distribution at the Power Station on St. Mary's, as a main electrician, working to maintain and repair the over head and underground power lines to St. Mary's and the off islands, this is a specialised qualification of which I am one of two that are able to undertake this type of work within the islands.

My wife Jaclyn Pearson has worked for the local authority in the Lifelong Learning Development Department, more recently she has been instrumental in managing the Rat Irradiation program on St. Agnes.

We are applying to build a family home on land at the bottom of Buzza Hill, Porthcressa, this land currently contains a small neglected boat shed made from granite stone, concrete block and wood. this area has been neglected for many years.

Approximately 2 years ago I purchased the land, then applied to build a family dwelling on the land, this was refused as it was felt this was an over development of the land. Since this application I have purchased adjoining land to the rear, increasing the overall plot size from 57m<sup>2</sup> to 171m<sup>2</sup>.

I am currently living in a small rented flat, which will soon become too small as we would like to start a family; I feel that this is a suitable site to develop into a family home with the ability to have a front and rear garden including space for off road parking.

We would welcome a discussion on additional measures such as obscured glazing should any privacy issue with neighbours be identified by officers' or similar.

The local authority have clearly stated that there is a need for more housing within the islands, I am in a fortunate position that I own a plot of land set within existing dwellings, making this an infill site in my opinion.

If we are able to build a family dwelling, it will only reduce the need to apply for housing supplied by the local authority, in the future.

Sincerely yours,

Tristan Fletcher