

Council of the Isles of Scilly Planning Application

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Consultation Response

Date: 14th January 2021

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Site: Land to North of Ennor Farm, Old Town Lane, Old Town, Isles of Scilly.

Proposal: Outline planning application for 13 detached and semi-detached self-build homes with appearance as a reserved matter (Major Development)

You are being consulted on this application as you may wish to make comments before a decision is made. Should you wish to make any comments on this application, please complete the response form below and return to planning@scilly.gov.uk by 4th February 2021 or by post to the Planning Department, Town Hall, The Parade, Hugh Town, St Mary's, Isles of Scilly TR21 0LW.

Link to application: <https://www.scilly.gov.uk/planning-application/planning-application-p21002>

I look forward to receiving your comments in due course. If I have not heard back from you by the 4th February 2021 then I will assume you have no comments to make.

Consultee Name: Martin Mumford, Police Designing Out Crime Officer, Devon and Cornwall Police

Comments:

Dear Mr King,

Thank you on behalf of Devon and Cornwall Police for the opportunity to comment on this application.

I have no obvious concerns with this site being developed from a designing out crime view. The local Policing team have not raised any concerns.

I note the indicative layout. Whilst I appreciate it is only that I would make the following comments for consideration.

The layout proposed would provide passive surveillance and active frontages to the new streets and other adjacent public spaces which is supported in principle.

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The use of back to back gardens is also noted, this type of layout is generally accepted as being likely to help reduce opportunities for crime.

The vehicle parking layout also looks acceptable, given the location. The largest parking area is directly overlooked by plots 12 and 13.

It does state that this parking would be partly covered. Normally this is something we are wary about as covered parking spaces will probably mean a reduction in natural surveillance and also may encourage unwelcome loitering within as provides shelter.

However again because of the location I accept this may be much less likely but should still be considered. The other on-site parking all appears acceptable.

The community orchard and allotments are located very close to the housing so I don't foresee any major issues here. I believe that plot 11 has gable end windows shown? Having these is supported especially if from commonly habited rooms, as will provide surveillance over these communal spaces.

Will there be any street lighting of any sort?

One issue might be that if the existing hedgerow is likely to comprise new rear garden boundaries then it must be fit for purpose plots 1 and 2 perhaps?. They should be of sufficient height and depth to provide both a consistent and effective defensive boundary as soon as residents move in. If additional planting will be required to achieve this then temporary fencing may be required until such planting has matured. Any hedge must be of a type which does not undergo radical seasonal change which would affect its security function

Yours sincerely,

Martin Mumford
Police Designing Out Crime Officer

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