Council of the Isles of Scilly Planning Application

Ref: P/24/053/FUL

Consultation: Cornwall Environmental Consultants Advice Request

Consultee:

Date: 18th September 2024

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Site: Carn Friars Farm, Carn Friars, St Mary's, Isles Of Scilly.

Proposal: Removal of derelict net tunnel structure and erection of new 9 meters wide x 18 meters long x 4.6 meters high to top of ridge agricultural shed**.**

You are being consulted on this application as archaeological input is required to inform the decision. Please complete the response form below and return to planning@scilly.gov.uk as soon as possible and no later than **9th October 2024** 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://scilly.gov.uk/planning-application/planning-application-p24053ful

I look forward to receiving your comments in due course.

Comments:

The proposal is uncontroversial, but the information provided does not allow for an informed ecological judgement to be made.

1) Section 3 of the submitted metric indicates that the Statutory metric should be used due to the complexity and location of the site.
2) The BNG map indicates that the location of the new shed is on unvegetated land but the image in the document 'P-24-053 existing - proposed comparison' indicates that the land surrounding the existing structure is vegetated. It is not clear what this vegetation is or to what extent the existing site has become overgrown with brambles and of the vegetation as indicated in the BNG report.
3) The application is not supported by an ecological appraisal (see Section 3 of the metric) and so there is no detailed information about the existing habitats on site. A Preliminary Ecological Appraisal should be carried out to clarify the existing baseline conditions and BNG value.

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Bruce Forrest	**1 hour 20 min**	**25/09/2024**
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