

## Supporting Statement

I wish to amend condition 3 of the original planning permission to allow the accommodation attached to the main shop to be used as holiday accommodation. Currently the flat is unoccupied as there is no requirement for staff at present. The flat was previously occupied by myself before I obtained more suitable long term accommodation on the island.

I now run the shop by myself for the majority of the season with no requirement for staff until the busy summer period. I employ residents of Bryher to fill these positions during the summer months so there is no requirement for staff accommodation as they are already housed on Bryher so the accommodation associated with the shop is no longer required for these purposes.

I believe that the amendment would be favourable in terms of policy 4 of the Local Plan as there are very few 2 person holiday units on the island. There is a demand for accommodation that is for couples and reasonably priced. I also intend to offer the accommodation year round in a hope to extend the length of the season.

The amendment of this condition is vital to the long term viability of the shop as in its current state, with no outside sustaining income, the shop is not solvent year round. The previous shop benefited from a large self-catering unit and a reasonable Post Office salary to sustain it.

The access arrangements are suitable for the unit to be used in its existing state as holiday accommodation as there is a separate entrance way, away from the main entrance to the shop. No modifications to the current layout will be made.