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Mr Craig Dryden and Miss Lisa Walton Planning Department Isles of Scilly Council Town Hall St. Mary's Isles of Scilly TR21 0LW

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Dear Craig and Lisa

Planning Applications - P/18/042/FUL, P/18/043/FUL, P/18/043/FUL

I am just writing a brief note regarding the three applications in Old Grimsby which I believe will be heard at the Full Council Meeting on 10th July 2018.

As you may be aware my core objective in trying to establish more resilient transport to Scilly, as well as increasing capacity and seeking to extend the season, has been to encourage investment in high quality multi-purpose tourist facilities.

All three of these applications are intended to fulfil these objectives and enable us to build the already established market in special interest, expert led groups to visit the islands.

The intention is that the two houses between them provide nine en-suite bedrooms and can be let to families, groups of friends, business conferences and adult learning groups. They can be completely versatile by being offered as either self-catering, bed and breakfast or fully serviced accommodation.

We believe there is a strong market for special interest groups who will come and enjoy the myriad of unique features that the islands can offer.

Having effectively put all investment on hold for the last six years I am bringing these proposals forward as a demonstration of confidence in our Scillionian economy and very much hope that other businesses will do the same in the near future.

We believe that this approach conforms closely with the draft Local Plan policies and is in accordance with the objectives of the Destination Management Plan (2018).

I hope this note is helpful to Members in their deliberations and would be grateful if it could be included in the planning application documents.

Yours sincerely

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Robert Dorrien-Smith	