

From: Planning (Isles of Scilly)
Subject: FW: Representation in respect of Planning applications P/20/27-28/31-37/40-41

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Dear Sir/Madam

I wish to make a representation in respect of Planning Applications P/20/27-28/31-37/40-41 made by the Council of the Isles of Scilly for installation of electric vehicle charging points at numerous sites on the island.

I am generally in favour of these applications to encourage the use of electric vehicles on the islands.

1. However as a point of principle I believe it is inappropriate for the Planning Department of the Isles of Scilly to determine these applications which have all been made by the Council of the Isles of Scilly. This would make the Council of the Isles of Scilly both the Applicant and Judge of its own applications. To give these applications the necessary INDEPENDENT assessment and scrutiny I believe they should be determined by an EXTERNAL Planning Body e.g. by Cornwall Council's Planning Department.

2. In order for the proposed electric vehicle charging points to be effective, parking in the proposed bays needs to be restricted to electric vehicles ONLY, whilst being electrically charged, and sufficient charging points installed to enable all vehicles parked in the Electric Vehicle Charging Bays to be charged simultaneously.(e.g. in the case of planning application P/20/035 a total of FOUR (instead of the proposed THREE) charging points should be installed for the FOUR proposed Electric Charging Bays)

3. With particular regard to application P/20/035, the proposed dedicated Electric Vehicle Charging Bays would reduce the numbers of parking bays available in the Mermaid Car Park for use by non-electric vehicles by 22%, from 18 to 14.

In order to ensure that vehicular access for Emergency Services and to the Quay is kept clear, I suggest that a double yellow line be painted along the Pier House side of the Mermaid Car park to prohibit parking in this area at all times.

Yours truly

Tom Mitchell
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