

From: Planning (Isles of Scilly)
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Dear Sirs

With reference to the above planning application.

If I could first of all point out the planning application refers to land at Mermaid Car Park.
Well there is no land at Mermaid Car Park there are 18 car parking spaces.

These spaces particularly for the 7 months of the year during the tourist season are consistently full and over full. This then leads to cars being parked illegally on The Bank
Last Wednesday 24th June at 09.30am there were 19 vehicles squeezed into the 18 spaces and 3 parked on the bank. This was out of season with no Gry, no boatman, no taxis, no Scillonian.
During the season around Scillonian arrival and departure times there are another 3-4 vehicles parking in the centre of the car park dropping off or waiting to pick up guests.
The car park is consistently full during the summer months even on a Sunday.

Because of my home position I am probably best placed to see the congestion than most.

I do have to ask if those that put the scheme together considered the implications of adding an extra number of vehicles on the roads when we hear a reduction is wanted. According to DVLA in 2018 St Marys had 495 private cars and this scheme wishes to increase them so causing more congestion.

Local car owners will not wish to sell their cars to replace them with a £30000.00 electric vehicle. The small amount of mileage most owners cover means emissions are so low that if at the moment anyone could afford it, it would not be worth it.

I ask that in this case you reject this planning application for this site because no consideration been made for the implications of it. It simply is not viable to remove 4 very much needed general parking spaces at this site.

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