

Council of the Isles of Scilly

Planning Application

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The following planning application has been made by the Council of the Isles of Scilly and is accompanied by an Environmental Statement.

Consultation Request

Date: 14th April 2023

**PLANNING REFERENCE
DEVELOPMENT PROPOSED:**

P/22/077/FUL

Application for the installation of geobags at Periglis to replace the core of existing dunes, wrapped in geotextile and covered with excavated material and to stabilise the dune crest with geomat to encourage re-vegetation. Installation of rock bags at Porth Coose to heighten the existing protection, backed by earth bund and installing rock armour at the bottom of the existing sea wall at Porth Killier. To reduce the risk of coastal flooding on St Agnes (EIA Development) (Major Development)(AMENDED PLANS)

**LOCATION:
WEBPAGE:**

Land Adj To Waste Site, The Quay, St Agnes, Isles Of Scilly
<https://scilly.gov.uk/planning-application/planning-application-p22077ful>

You are being consulted on this application as you may wish to make comments before a decision is made. Specifically the amendments include:

- Updated Habitat Regulations Assessments for the three sites at Porth Killier, Porth Coose and Periglis Beach
- A Marine Conservation Zone Assessment
- Updated Environmental Statement including an addendum
- Amended Plans for Periglis

Should you wish to make any comments on this application, please complete the response form below or write to us returning it to planning@scilly.gov.uk by **5th May 2023** or by post to the Planning Department, Town Hall, The Parade, Hugh Town, St Mary's, Isles of Scilly TR21 0LW. I look forward to receiving your comments in due course. If I have not heard back from you by the 5th May 2023 then I will assume you have no comments to make.

Consultee Name: **RSPB**

Thank you for consulting the RSPB.

We welcome the Updated Habitat Regulations Assessments for the three sites at Porth Killier, Porth Coose and Periglis Beach. Our comments will focus on the potential adverse impacts on the SPA.

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Invasive Non-Native Species (INNS)

We are particularly concerned about the potential risks from INNS on the seabirds within the SPA and rat free status of St Agnes and Gugh, and Annet. We welcome the production of a biosecurity plan but are concerned that it may not be adequate to prevent and react to any potential incursion INNS. In particular:

- **Any plans need to follow best practise and cover both biosecurity and re-incursion response (if rodents are found) and both plans need to be adequately resourced as any response will be required within 48 hours. This needs to be on place before works begins. We have staff who can help review these plans to ensure they follow best practice.**
- **Training of staff will be fundamental and there are local people who could provide this. We recommend that a meeting is set up with the IoSWT who could potentially provide this training.**
- **Plans should include all non-native invasive mammals not just rats.**
- **Monitoring using a variety of tools will be required during and after the works being carried out (the RSPB now has a dog for this type of work which could potentially be contracted as part of the monitoring plan). Monitoring should occur throughout the pathway to reduce the risk of rodents entering Scilly so this may involve checks at mainland ports.**

Name: Paul St Pierre

Date: 5 May 2023