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Application for Planning Permission

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)

Publication of applications on planning authority websites

Please note that the information provided on this application form and in supporting documents may be published on the Authority's website. If you require any further clarification, please contact the Authority's planning department.

Site Location					
Disclaimer: We can only make recommendations based on the answers given in the questions.					
If you cannot provide a postcode, the description help locate the site - for example "field to the Nor	of site location must be completed. Please provide the most accurate site description you can, to rth of the Post Office".				
Number					
Suffix					
Property Name					
Middletown Flower Farm					
Address Line 1					
Middletown					
Address Line 2					
Address Line 3					
St Martins					
Town/city					
Isles of Scilly					
Postcode					
TR25 0QN					
Description of site location must	be completed if postcode is not known:				
Easting (x)	Northing (y)				
92089	16249				
Description					

Applicant Details
Name/Company
Title
Mrs
First name
Jolene
Surname
Williams
Company Name
Address
Address line 1
Middletown Flower Farm
Address line 2
Middletown
Address line 3
St Martins
Town/City
Isles of Scilly
County
Country
United Kingdom
Postcode
TR250QN
Are you an agent acting on behalf of the applicant? ○ Yes ⊙ No
Contact Details
Primary number
***** REDACTED *****

Secondary number	
Fax number	
Email address	
**** REDACTED *****	
	=
Site Area	
What is the measurement of the site area? (numeric characters only).	
24.00	
Unit	
Sq. metres	
	=
Description of the Proposal	

Please note in regard to:

- Fire Statements From 1 August 2021, planning applications for buildings of over 18 metres (or 7 stories) tall containing more than one dwelling will require a 'Fire Statement' for the application to be considered valid. There are some exemptions. <u>View government planning guidance on fire statements</u> or <u>access the fire statement template and guidance</u>.
- **Permission In Principle** If you are applying for Technical Details Consent on a site that has been granted Permission In Principle, please include the relevant details in the description below.
- **Public Service Infrastructure** From 1 August 2021, applications for certain public service infrastructure developments will be eligible for faster determination timeframes. See help for further details or <u>view government planning guidance on determination periods</u>.

Description

Please describe details of the proposed development or works including any change of use

I would like to build a sauna with a cool water plunge pool in our top garden.

The sauna will be a 4m x 2m, traditional Scandinavian style, built by a Cornish company using Thermowood, a sustainable timber produced using chemical free heat treatment, designed to withstand harsh environments (same size, design and make as Bryony Lishman's sauna on St Marys).

The sauna will provide an all weather, year round resource and activity, available to visitors and the St Martins community, within a simple, natural and subtle setting.

In the longer term, using this resource, I intend to run Wim Hof Method courses, encompassing the many holistic body and mental health benefits derived from the practice.

To compliment the sauna, I would like to provide a cold plunge tub. The tub, made from galvanised steel, is approximately 3ft diameter by 2ft depth, it holds around 350 litres.

To keep the water clear, clean, free from pathogens and to conserve water, maximising the length of time required between water changes, the tub will be covered when not in use and fitted with a circulation pump, particle filter and ozone generator, an efficient, chemical free cleaning system.

When the water does require changing, it will be filtered and sterilised again before being used to water the surrounding garden areas. We are connected to the South West Water supply. I spoke, on site, with Helen Richards from SWW, she saw no problem with the size of plunge pool or the quantity of water required when using this system.

The sauna will be located in our top garden, this is just across the road from our house, above our goat run. The land is gently terraced, set back into the hillside, like a small crater, encircled with high banks providing privacy and a view out to sea. Being set down into the hillside the area is well screened, it can only be partially viewed through a gap between the trees halfway up Sandy Lane and a very limited view of the area when looking up from the main road.

I propose to build the sauna on the site of our existing poly tunnel and chicken run, both of which are in poor repair and due to be taken down. This area has very sandy soil with poor quality grass and patches of gorse. We keep this cut short, however it is not comfortable for walking barefoot, therefore I would like to construct a decking walkway of approximately 1m wide around the edge of the sauna to reach the plunge pool on the back side. The plunge pool will sit on pebbles to avoid wet feet directly on wood decking.

The sauna will be set on a reinforced concrete slab of 150mm depth, with the side viewing window looking out to sea.

To provide privacy between sauna users and the rest of our garden, I will erect natural style fencing of approximately 1.8m height to surround the sauna and plunge pool. This will be a temporary measure as I will plant hedging to grow in its place (pittosporum or similar).

I have discussed my proposal with and have the support of Bryony Lishman.

Has	the	work	or	change	of	use	already	started?
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○ Yes

⊗ No

Existing Use

Please describe the current use of the site

The site is currently used as our family garden. It is a large garden with plenty of space for the siting of the sauna and continued use as a family garden with fence division for privacy.

There is currently a poly tunnel and an old chicken run, both in poor repair, on the area suggested for the sauna.

Is the site currently vacant?

○ Yes

⊗ No

Does the proposal involve any of the following? If Yes, you will need to submit an appropriate contamination assessment with your application.

Land which is known to be contaminated
○ Yes⊙ No
Land where contamination is suspected for all or part of the site
○ Yes⊙ No
A proposed use that would be particularly vulnerable to the presence of contamination
○Yes
⊙ No
Materials
Does the proposed development require any materials to be used externally?
○ No

ease provide a description of existing and proposed materials and finishes to be used externally (including type, colour and name for each aterial)
Type:
Walls
Existing materials and finishes: N/A
Proposed materials and finishes: Thermowood
Type: Roof
Existing materials and finishes: N/A
Proposed materials and finishes: Galvanised steel
Type: Windows
Existing materials and finishes: N/A
Proposed materials and finishes: Glass
Type: Doors
Existing materials and finishes: N/A
Proposed materials and finishes: Glass / Thermowood
Type: Boundary treatments (e.g. fences, walls)
Existing materials and finishes: N/A
Proposed materials and finishes: Hazel fence panels (temporary).
Type: Lighting
Existing materials and finishes: N/A
Proposed materials and finishes: Low level LED, solar powered access lights, minimal lighting in sauna.
Type: Other
Other (please specify): Decking walkway around the sauna
Existing materials and finishes: N/A

Proposed materials and finishes: Wood decking.
Type: Other
Other (please specify): Pebbles for plunge pool
Existing materials and finishes: N/A
Proposed materials and finishes: Smooth pebbles for the 3ft plunge tub to sit on.
Are you supplying additional information on submitted plans, drawings or a design and access statement?
○ No
If Yes, please state references for the plans, drawings and/or design and access statement
I am attaching the following additional information: 2 x emails from Twiga Drewett from the Duchy of Cornwall giving consent for project to go ahead on their land and for me to go ahead with the planning application (covering letter) Scale plans 1:200 and 1:500 of the site (site/block plan proposed) Scale plan of the sauna layout (Floor plan proposed) Scale plan of sauna elevations (elevations proposed) Design and Access statement (design and access statement) Photo of the garden / site (other plans)
Pedestrian and Vehicle Access, Roads and Rights of Way
Is a new or altered vehicular access proposed to or from the public highway?
○ Yes② No
Is a new or altered pedestrian access proposed to or from the public highway?
○ Yes② No
Are there any new public roads to be provided within the site?
○ Yes② No
Are there any new public rights of way to be provided within or adjacent to the site?
○ Yes⊙ No
Do the proposals require any diversions/extinguishments and/or creation of rights of way?

Vehicle Parking
Does the site have any existing vehicle/cycle parking spaces or will the proposed development add/remove any parking spaces?
○ Yes ⊙ No
Trees and Hedges
Are there trees or hedges on the proposed development site?
○ Yes⊙ No
And/or: Are there trees or hedges on land adjacent to the proposed development site that could influence the development or might be important as part of the local landscape character?
○ Yes⊙ No
If Yes to either or both of the above, you may need to provide a full tree survey, at the discretion of the local planning authority. If a tree survey is required, this and the accompanying plan should be submitted alongside the application. The local planning authority should make clear on its website what the survey should contain, in accordance with the current 'BS5837: Trees in relation to design, demolition and construction - Recommendations'.
Assessment of Flood Bioli
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Is the site within an area at risk of flooding? (Check the location on the Government's Flood map for planning. You should also refer to national
standing advice and your local planning authority requirements for information as necessary.)
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land adjacent to or near the application site?

Is there a reasonable likelihood of the following being affected adversely or conserved and enhanced within the application site, or on

To assist in answering this question correctly, please refer to the help text which provides guidance on determining if any important biodiversity or geological conservation features may be present or nearby; and whether they are likely to be affected by the proposals.

○ Yes, on the development site
○ Yes, on land adjacent to or near the proposed development○ No
b) Designated sites, important habitats or other biodiversity features
○ Yes, on the development site○ Yes, on land adjacent to or near the proposed development○ No
c) Features of geological conservation importance
Yes, on the development siteYes, on land adjacent to or near the proposed developmentNo
Supporting information requirements
Where a development proposal is likely to affect features of biodiversity or geological conservation interest, you will need to submit, with the application, sufficient information and assessments to allow the local planning authority to determine the proposal.
Failure to submit all information required will result in your application being deemed invalid. It will not be considered valid until all information required by the local planning authority has been submitted.
Your local planning authority will be able to advise on the content of any assessments that may be required.
Biodiversity net gain
Biodiversity net gain is a legal requirement for planning permission introduced on 12 February 2024. All applications are required to either provide detailed information proving there will be a biodiversity increase; or explain why the requirement does not apply to the development.
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Note: Please read the help text for further information why developments may be exempt or not in scope.

Foul Sewage
Please state how foul sewage is to be disposed of:
☐ Mains sewer ☐ Septic tank ☐ Package treatment plant ☐ Cess pit
✓ Other ☐ Unknown
Other
N/A (no facilities on site).
Are you proposing to connect to the existing drainage system? ○ Yes ○ No ○ Unknown
Waste Storage and Collection
Do the plans incorporate areas to store and aid the collection of waste? ○ Yes ○ No
Have arrangements been made for the separate storage and collection of recyclable waste? ○ Yes ○ No
Trade Effluent
Does the proposal involve the need to dispose of trade effluents or trade waste?
○Yes
⊗ No
Residential/Dwelling Units
Does your proposal include the gain, loss or change of use of residential units?
○ Yes
⊗ No
All Types of Development: Non-Residential Floorspace
Does your proposal involve the loss, gain or change of use of non-residential floorspace?
Note that 'non-residential' in this context covers all uses except Use Class C3 Dwellinghouses.
○ Yes ⊙ No

Employment Are there any existing employees on the site or will the proposed development increase or decrease the number of employees? ○ Yes ○ No
Hours of Opening Are Hours of Opening relevant to this proposal?
Please add details of the Use Classes and hours of opening for each non-residential use proposed. If you do not know the hours of opening, select the Use Class and tick 'Unknown'
Use Class: E(d) - Indoor sport, recreation, or fitness - Excluding motorised vehicles, firearms, swimming, and skating Unknown: Yes
Industrial or Commercial Processes and Machinery Does this proposal involve the carrying out of industrial or commercial activities and processes? ○ Yes ② No Is the proposal for a waste management development? ○ Yes ② No
Hazardous Substances Does the proposal involve the use or storage of Hazardous Substances? ○ Yes ⊙ No
Site Visit Can the site be seen from a public road, public footpath, bridleway or other public land?

If the planning authority needs to make an appointment to carry out a site visit, whom should they contact?
○ The agent
© The applicant
Other person
Pre-application Advice
Has assistance or prior advice been sought from the local authority about this application?
✓ Yes○ No
If Yes, please complete the following information about the advice you were given (this will help the authority to deal with this application more efficiently):
Officer name:
Title
First Name
***** REDACTED *****
Surname
***** REDACTED *****
Reference
Planning Advice Service (Microsoft Teams)
Date (must be pre-application submission)
10/02/2025
Details of the pre-application advice received
Microsoft Teams meeting with Lisa Walton on 10/02/2025 and again on 10/03/2025 to discuss the project details and application process.
Authority Employee/Member
With respect to the Authority, is the applicant and/or agent one of the following:
(a) a member of staff
(b) an elected member (c) related to a member of staff
(d) related to an elected member
It is an important principle of decision-making that the process is open and transparent.
For the purposes of this question, "related to" means related, by birth or otherwise, closely enough that a fair-minded and informed observer, having considered the facts, would conclude that there was bias on the part of the decision-maker in the Local Planning Authority.
Do any of the above statements apply?
○ Yes ⊙ No

Ownership Certificates and Agricultural Land Declaration Certificates under Article 14 - Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015 (as amended) Please answer the following questions to determine which Certificate of Ownership you need to complete: A, B, C or D. Is the applicant the sole owner of all the land to which this application relates; and has the applicant been the sole owner for more than 21 days? O Yes Can you give appropriate notice to all the other owners/agricultural tenants? (Select 'Yes' if there are no other owners/agricultural tenants) O No Certificate Of Ownership - Certificate B I certify/ The applicant certifies that: ② I have/The applicant has given the requisite notice to everyone else (as listed below) who, on the day 21 days before the date of this application, was the owner* and/or agricultural tenant** of any part of the land or building to which this application relates; or O The applicant is the sole owner of all the land or buildings to which this application relates and there are no other owners* and/or agricultural tenants**. * "owner" is a person with a freehold interest or leasehold interest with at least 7 years left to run. ** "agricultural tenant" has the meaning given in section 65(8) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 Owner/Agricultural Tenant Name of Owner/Agricultural Tenant: ***** REDACTED ****** House name: **Hugh House** Number: Suffix: Address line 1: St Marys Address Line 2: Town/City: Isles of Scilly Postcode: **TR21 0LS** Date notice served (DD/MM/YYYY): 05/02/2025 **Person Family Name:** Person Role O The Agent Title Mrs First Name

.lolene

Surname
Williams
Declaration Date
05/02/2025
☑ Declaration made
Declaration
I/We hereby apply for Full planning permission as described in the questions answered, details provided, and the accompanying plans/drawings and additional information. I/We confirm that, to the best of my/our knowledge, any facts stated are true and accurate and any opinions given are the genuine opinions of the person(s) giving them. I/We also accept that, in accordance with the Planning Portal's terms and conditions: - Once submitted, this information will be made available to the Local Planning Authority and, once validated by them, be published as part of a public register and on the authority's website; - Our system will automatically generate and send you emails in regard to the submission of this application.
Signed
Jolene Williams
Date
18/03/2025