Application Pack and Studio Information

The Borlase Smart John Wells Trust is a charity offering studio space for artists working in Cornwall. It owns and manages three historic artists' studios: **Grade II* Porthmeor Studios** in St Ives, and **Trewarveneth Studios** and **Grade II* Anchor Studio** in Newlyn, providing **25 studios for artists** and 2 studios for the St Ives School of Painting.

Studio 7 Information

- This studio is at Trewarveneth Studios, Newlyn. There are 9 studios on site.
- Studios have 24 hour access with own private entrance doors.
- The studio is 15 sq.m, with skylight windows.
- The studio has a sink with hot and cold (drinking) water.
- There is Wi-Fi and power in the studio.
- No furniture is included.
- There are no kitchen or workshop facilities at Trewarveneth.
- The studio has step free access, but Trewarveneth is situated on a steep road.
- There is a small shared parking area at the studios.

General Information:

- There is one self-contained toilet on site.
- There are no kitchen or workshop facilities.
- Smoking and vaping is prohibited in the studios.
- Due to the nature of the studios and building, they are not suitable for work which is consistently noisy or producing strong fumes.
- The Trust office is based at Porthmeor Studios, St Ives.
- Business Rates: all tenants are responsible for their own Business Rates and there is currently a 100% small business rates relief for which tenants are eligible provided they are not already claiming relief on another property. We can assist you in completing and returning the form with all the correct information required.

Studio Availability and Costs

We are looking for an artist to take up the tenancy from **1 April 2027**

Studio	Current rent per month	Current annual rent
7	£151.50 including VAT	£1,515 excluding VAT

You will be required to pay rent by standing order monthly in advance. The rent above does not include utilities. Studios are individually metered for electricity and water, and you will be invoiced quarterly for your usage. Long term studios have a four year lease with two months notice.

Artists occupy space as tenants of the Trust. The lease is excluded from the security of tenure provisions of the Landlord and Tenants Act 1954, and so the tenant will not have a right to a new lease or compensation at the end of the term.

Studio Viewing

The studio will be available view between **10am – 10.30am** on **Tuesday 20 October 2026.**
If you would like to attend, please email **admin@bsjwtrust.co.uk** to confirm your attendance.
Please note we are unlikely to accommodate viewings at other times as the studio is in use.

Selection Policy

A Selection Panel is convened by the Trust and selection is based on the following criteria:

- The quality of work.
- Evidence of the artist's serious approach to their work.
- Proven commitment to the development of their practice.
- A commitment to the arts scene in Cornwall and intention to contribute to meeting the Trust's aims and objectives.
- Demonstrating a genuine need for a professional work space.
- A commitment to live and work in Cornwall during the tenancy.
- Applicants must have at least 5 years of professional practice (five years after graduating from BA, or equivalent experience – a degree is not a requirement for a studio).

How to apply

Please provide the following information in a **Word document or PDF**, with **images attached separately as JPEGs**.

1. **Your Contact Details**
   Including phone number and home address

2. **6 images of work made within the last two years**
   - Images must be submitted as six separate JPEG files, or as a folder, attached to your email.
   - Please do not embed images within the body of the email.
   - Please title each image file with the name, title, medium and date, with a maximum filename length of 200 characters.

3. **Current CV**

4. **A statement which addresses the selection criteria** (360 words maximum):
   - Information about your work
   - Evidence of your commitment to the arts scene in Cornwall
   - Demonstrating a genuine need for a professional work space
   - If you do not already live in Cornwall, please include confirmation of plans to relocate
   - How you might contribute to the Trust's aims and objectives, which are included below:
     2. To support public understanding and appreciation of contemporary art and the heritage of our buildings and their settings by:
     a. Encouraging our tenants to participate in open studios.
     b. Offering a programme of talks, studio tours and exhibitions.

5. Please include anything you would like us to know regarding access requirements.

6. Two referees (only name and job title / organisation is needed). Please note referees will not be contacted without your agreement, and no written reference is required.

To ensure the selection process is as fair as possible, the Selection Committee will base their decision solely on the information you provide in the applicant. Please ensure you address all of the criteria above

To ask questions before submitting your application or to discuss access requirements,
please contact us: admin@bsjwtrust.co.uk / 01736 339 339

Send your application by email to: admin@bsjwtrust.co.uk

Application deadline: 10am Monday 16 November 2026

Applications will not be accepted after the deadline.

Image above: Aerial view of Trewarveneth
Image below: Exterior of Studio 7 (left door)

Image above: Interior of Studio 7 (sink not pictured)
Image below: Studio Exterior