

Inter-island warfare: The Scillies v Jersey

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The Isle of Scilly (for which I have considerable affection) have declared war on Jersey. [Well, a war of wards at least:](#)

Tourism officials on the Isles of Scilly are to lodge a complaint over a claim made by Jersey's tourism office in a £1m [TV advertising campaign](#) that the largest of the [Channel Islands](#) is "the warmest place in the British Isles".

Met Office temperature records for Scilly obtained by the Guardian also appear to undermine Jersey's claim.

May the best islands win.

Note the plural: Scilly wins this race hands down. Warmly (!) recommended as a holiday destination, all year round (yes, I've been there in February).