

## **Planning Committee – 13 February 2008**

### **Report of the Development Manager**

#### **Enforcement Item**

**Parish: TAUNTON**

- 1. File/Complaint Number** E247/38/2007
- 2. Location of Site** Taunton School, Staplegrove Road, Taunton
- 3. Names of Owners** Taunton School, contact Mr J H Pitman
- 4. Name of Occupiers** Taunton School
- 5. Nature of Contravention**  
Unauthorised fence around building to east of Fairwater
- 6. Planning History**  
The fence was first brought to the Councils attention in August 2007. An application was requested and submitted in November 2007. The application was subsequently refused on 17 January 2008
- 7. Reasons for Taking Action**  
The fence represents an incongruous and inappropriate feature having an adverse impact on the open setting of adjacent Listed Buildings. This does not preserve or enhance their settings and is therefore contrary to guidance in PPG15 and Policy 9 of Somerset & Exmoor National Park Joint Structure Plan Review.
- 8. Recommendation**  
The Solicitor to the Council be authorised to serve an enforcement notice and commence prosecution proceedings, subject to satisfactory evidence that the notice has not been complied with.

**In preparing this report the Planning Officer has considered fully the implications and requirements of the Human Rights Act 1998.**

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