Planning Committee – 25 March 2009

Report of the Development Manager

Enforcement Item

Parish:

1. File/Complaint Number E/0335/38/08

2. Location of Site 53 HAMILTON ROAD, TAUNTON, TA1 2EL

3. Names of Owners Pink Garlic, 53 Hamilton Road, Taunton, TA1

2EL

4. Name of Occupiers Pink Garlic

5. Nature of Contravention

Erection of extension to rear of property without planning permission

6. Planning History

A complaint was received on 11th December 2008 that building works were being undertaken at the rear of the property. At the time the premises were being refurbished and converted into a restaurant. A site visit was carried out and it was found that the small extension was to house the boiler and other equipment. The contractor was informed that the extension required planning permission. Further applications for signs and a new shop front were submitted but no application has been submitted for the rear extension. There is a concern that the extension abuts a neighbouring property and has been built against a window thus blocking out any light to the room in the neighbouring property.

7. Reasons for Taking Action

It is considered that the development has a detrimental impact on the neighbouring properties and therefore contrary to Policy S1(e) and S2(f) of the Taunton Deane Local Plan

8. Recommendation

The Solicitor to the Council be authorised to commence Enforcement action and take prosecution action, subject to satisfactory evidence being obtained 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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