Appeal Decisions for Committee Agenda – 16 December 2009

| APPEAL | PROPOSAL | REASON(S) FOR INITIAL DECISION | APPLICATION NUMBER | DECISION |
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| APP/D3315/H/09/2109577 | Display of four illuminated fascia signs, one illuminated pylon sign and one illuminated directional sign, together with two entrance signs, one illuminated and one non illuminated, at Wellington Motors (Renault), Summerfield Way, Chelston Business Park, West Buckland, as amended by agent's email received 25 June 2009 and amended drwg no. Ren0766 planning | It is considered that the proposed advertisement (sign no. 7), by reason of its size, siting and illumination would be unduly prominent and obtrusive within the street scene and would therefore be likely to have a detrimental effect upon the amenity of the surrounding area. | 46/09/0017A | The Inspector considered the addition of yet another sign at these premises would be particularly unfortunate and lead to an unusually cluttered frontage. The building is located in a highly prominent site and it is considered there are already sufficient signs to identify the premises. The Inspector could see no essential reason for a sign which would clutter the locality visually and be harmful to the character and appearance of the area. The appeal was DISMISSED. |
| APP/D3315/A/09/2111166/NWF | Erection of 20 no. affordable dwellings and provision of recreation field and playground area on land opposite the village hall, Nynehead (amended description) as amplified by e-mail dated 15 January 2009 and email dated 17 February 2009 | The proposed development could not be considered to be small scale, especially with regard to the village size. The site lies beyond the recognized limits of a designated settlement in open countryside and does not constitute a genuine agricultural or other appropriate need. The village has an existing playing field and recreational facilities. The site is located outside the confines of any major settlement. | 26/08/0010 | The Inspector stressed that low cost market housing is not eligible for inclusion in the development of rural exception sites where residential development would not normally be permitted. It was concluded that there is not an identified local need for the housing which is sufficient to warrant this development in the countryside. The Inspector was not persuaded of sufficient need of new recreational facilities to warrant the erection of housing at this countryside location. The appeal was DISMISSED. |
| APP/D3315/C/09/2107743 | Use of land for retention of two container units and provision of additional three container units for the storage of fire works at The Stores, Wrangcombe Road, Wrangway, Wellington | The proposed development would appear an incongruous industrial feature representing an undesirable intrusion into an area of countryside which has been designated an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and would adversely effect its special landscape qualities. | E0242/44/07 | The Inspector considered the containers are in an elevated hillside location and are publicly visible. It was concluded that they are alient and intrusive features in this AONB. The appeal was DISMISSED and the enforcement notice upheld. |

| APP/D3315/F/09/2107490 & 2107491 | Replacement of all external windows and doors with double glazing uPVC units. | The uPVC windows and doors had been installed without consent and should be removed in their entirety. Details of windows and doors to match the design of the existing were recommended. | E391/43/06 | The appellants had put forward no substantive evidence in support of their view that the building is not of special architectural or historic interest. They were aware the building was listed at the time of purchase and that uPVC windows and doors had been installed by the previous owner without listed building consent. The Inspector DISMISSED the appeals and upheld the listed building enforcement notice. |
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| APP/D3315/C/09/2108692 | Change of use to operation of bus and minibus hire business at 154 Bridgwater Road, Bathpool, Taunton | | E0394/48/06 | The Inspector concluded that the development causes an unacceptable level of noise and disturbance to occupants of adjoining houses. Section 3 of the enforcement notice should be corrected and the plan attached to the enforcement notice substituted by the plan annexed to the decision. With these corrections the Inspector DISMISSED the appeal, upheld the enforcement notice and refused to grant planning permission. |

TDLP = Taunton Deane Local Plan **SENP** = Somerset & Exmoor National Park