

Planning Committee – Wednesday 22 May 2008

Report of the Development Manager

Enforcement Item

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| Parish: | Taunton |
| 1. File/Complaint Number | E99/38/2008 |
| 2. Location of Site | 38 North Street, Taunton |
| 3. Names of Owners | Nearby Stores Ltd, Chota Castle, Chew Lane, Chew Magna, Bristol BS40 8QA |
| 4. Name of Occupiers | As above |
| 5. Nature of Contravention | |

Unauthorised advertisements

6. Planning History

7. Background

Pre application advice given in February 2008 re: acceptability of proposed signs.

Signs erected in March 2008.

Despite chasing, to date no application has been received.

8. Reasons for taking action

The advertisements to the ground floor windows some of which are on the outside and some on the inside, plus those to the reveals of the entrances are considered to have a detrimental impact on the character of the Listed Building, contrary to Policy 9 of the Somerset & Exmoor National Park Joint Structure Plan Review and PPG 15.

9. Recommendation

Listed Building Enforcement action be instigated to remove the advertisements behind the ground floor glazing and reduce the size of the external advertisement panels within the ground floor glazing and entrance reveals.

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

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