PLANNING COMMITTEE - 15 DECEMBER, 2004

Report of the Development Control Manager

ENFORCEMENT ITEM

Parish: Taunton

1. File/Complainant No. 38/2004/459LB - E90/38/2004

2. Location of Site Tournedos No.1, 41 Bridge Street, Taunton.

3. Names of Owners -

4. Names of Occupiers Mr Simon Melrose, T/A Tournedos

5. Nature of Contravention

Display of 2 No. flags.

6. Planning History

41 Bridge Street is a Grade II listed building. It was noticed on 31 March, 2004 that flags and brackets had been fixed on the front elevation of the building at first floor level. The Manager was contacted on 26 April, 2004 and informed that the provision of the brackets holding the flags require listed building consent. A further letter was sent on 21 September, 2004 requesting an application. An application was received on 27 September, 2004. The application was subsequently refused under delegated powers on 8 November, 2004.

7. Reasons for Taking Action

The flag fittings unbalance the elevation, the material is inappropriate and the proposal is visually obtrusive. Accordingly, the proposal is out of keeping with the character and appearance of this Grade II listed building and is contrary to Taunton Deane Local Plan Policies EN17 and EN18

8. Recommendation

The Solicitor to the Council be authorised to serve a Listed Building Enforcement Notice and prosecution proceedings subject to satisfactory evidence should the notice not be 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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