PLANNING COMMITTEE - 23 NOVEMBER, 2005

Report of the Development Control Manager

ENFORCEMENT ITEM

Parish: Taunton

1.	**File/Complaint Number**	E254/38/2005
2.	**Location of Site**	18 Park Street, Taunton.
3.	**Names of Owners**	Mark One Developments Limited

4. **Nature of Contravention**

Provision of three satellite dishes.

5. **Planning History**

A complaint was received that a number of satellite dishes had been provided on the front elevation on 18 Park Street, Taunton. A site visit was made where it was noticed that three dishes had been provided, one being a 45 cm diameter digital dish and the other two approximately 70 cm in diameter. 18 Park Street is a Grade II* listed building and forms part of an important and historic group of properties in Park Street. No. 18 is sub-divided into flats and as such planning permission would be required for the provision of additional dishes on the building. However, as stated the building is Grade II* and any fixture to the facade of the building including satellite dishes requires listed building consent.

The owners have been contacted and requested to remove the dishes but to date they are still on the building. The owners have been told that it is an offence to affix dishes to the building without consent but no action on their part appears to have been taken

7. **Reasons for taking Action**

18 Park Street is a listed building and the provision of satellite dishes on this important Grade II* building is considered detrimental to the character of that building, the group of which it forms part and to the visual amenities of the Conservation area.

8. **Recommendation**

The Solicitor to the Council be authorised to serve a Listed Building Enforcement Notice and an Enforcement Notice together with prosecution action subject to sufficient evidence being obtained that the notices have 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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