Planning Committee - 13 December, 2006

Report of the Development Control Manager

Enforcement Item

Parish: Taunton

1. File/Complaint Number E164/38/2006

Location of Site 8 Mountfields Avenue, Taunton.

3. **Names of Owners** Mr & Mrs Anderson

4. Names of Occupiers Mr R Kelly & Miss K Allen

5. **Nature of Contravention**

Possible car repair business being carried out from a residential property

6. **Planning History**

The above contravention was brought to the Council's attention in May 2006. A site visit was made and car registrations were taken. Following this a diary of vehicles has been kept and checked with DVLA. On receipt of this information a Planning Contravention Notice was served which has been completed and returned. Mr Kelly stated that the vehicles he has/had on his drive are his own or friends and relatives. He also stated in his response that he was not carrying out a business from this address. From the evidence we have collected it is considered that there is a business being run from this residential address.

7. Reasons for taking Action

It is considered that the carrying out of car repairs and valeting from a dwelling house is detrimental to the neighbouring properties and also has an adverse affect on the amenities of this residential area. This business is contrary to Taunton Deane Local Plan Policy EC4.

8. Recommendation

The Solicitor to the Council be authorised to serve an Enforcement Notice and Prosecution proceedings subject to satisfactory evidence being obtained that the notice is not 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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