

## **Planning Committee – 23 May, 2007**

### **Report of the Development Manager**

#### **ENFORCEMENT ITEM**

**Parish: Taunton**

1. **File/Complaint Number** E284/38/2006
2. **Location of Site** 14 Thames Drive, Taunton.
3. **Names of Owners** Mr G & Mr J Burke
4. **Names of Occupiers** Unknown

5. **Nature of Contravention**

Provision of large satellite dish in rear garden.

6. **Planning History**

A complaint was received on 1 September, 2006 that a large satellite dish had been erected in the rear garden of 14 Thames Drive. The dish was initially fixed to a garden shed and protruded above the rear boundary fence. The diameter of the dish is approximately 1.2 m. The property is rented and it has not been possible to communicate with the occupiers about the size of the dish and its need for planning permission. No response has been received from the owners of the property when contacted regarding the satellite dish.

7. **Reasons for taking Action**

The diameter of the dish is in excess of the permitted 90 cm allowed under the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 1995. The siting of the dish adjacent to the boundary wall seriously affects the visual amenities of the neighbouring properties in both Thames Drive and Banwell Close to the rear. Therefore it is contrary Taunton Deane Local Plan Policies S1(D) and S2(A) and (F).

8. **Recommendation**

The Solicitor to The Council be authorised to serve an enforcement notice and commence prosecution action 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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