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Application No: ENF 232/26/10

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Installation of a satellite television receiving dish, mounting pole and fixings.

Property Owner(s) Mr S Evans

This matter is being presented to Committee in order to request that enforcement action be authorised.

BACKGROUND

In June 2010 it was brought to the attention of the Enforcement Section that a satellite television receiving dish had been installed on the chimney stack of the property.

Contact was made with the property owner and he was advised that it required planning permission and listed building consent and that a retrospective application would not be supported and that it should be removed, however the dish has not been removed.

RELEVANT POLICIES

DP1 - Layout and Design (Warwick District Local Plan 1996 - 2011)

DP2 - Amenity (Warwick District Local Plan 1996 - 2011)

DAP4 - Protection of Listed Buildings (Warwick District Local Plan 1996 - 2011)

DAP8 - Protection of Conservation Areas (Warwick District Local Plan 1996 -

2011)

PLANNING HISTORY

A number of previous applications have been submitted relating to the property none of which relate to the present situation.

KEY ISSUES

The Site and its Location

The property is a three storey Grade II Listed Building situated in a very prominent corner position at the junction of Smith Street and Priory Road, Warwick. It faces towards St John's and is within the Warwick Conservation area.

Assessment

The main issue is the impact on the character and appearance of the Listed Building and the Conservation Area.

The satellite dish has been attached to the chimney stack adjacent to No 40 Priory Road and as such is clearly visible from St John's which is at the junction of Coventry Road and Coten End.

St John's is the main road feeding vehicular and pedestrian traffic into Warwick and as such the satellite dish is in an extremely prominent position.

In this area, particular care is taken for the preservation and enhancement of the character and appearance of buildings and the streetscene generally by the exercise of controls.

It is considered that the satellite dish is harmful to the character and appearance of the Warwick Conservation Area and the historic character and appearance of the Listed Building on which it is located.

Justification for Enforcement Action

Negotiations with the property owner have not resulted in the removal of the dish and it is therefore considered that formal action is now appropriate to resolve this breach of planning control.

RECOMMENDATION

That appropriate enforcement action be authorised directed at the removal of the satellite receiving dish, mounting pole and fixings with a compliance period of ONE month.