

BATH AND NORTH EAST SOMERSET COUNCIL

Development Control Committee

3 August 2011

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AGENDA**

ITEM 10

ITEMS FOR PLANNING PERMISSION

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3 letters of support have been received, making the following points:

- the applicants/operators are committed and enthusiastic;
- the kennel facilities have been improved;
- a residential property is essential in providing 24hour care and security;
- travel to work, and other journeys, would be reduced;
- refusal would result in neglect of the property;
- the proposal is supported by the Parish Council;
- night staffing expensive, and would result in caravans, etc.;
- relates to a thriving small business;
- improvements to the building will result;
- represents a local, rural amenity; and
- history of the site is irrelevant.

Officer comment:

The enthusiasm and commitment of the applicants, in improving the kennel facilities, is not doubted. A residential property is not however considered to be essential; and night care could be facilitated by the existing building(s). Perceived improvements to the building are negligible. The authorised use of the site as kennels, and the support of the Parish Council, are noted. The history of the site is a material consideration. Overall, the perceived benefits of the proposal do not outweigh the identified harm.