

SOUTH CAMBRIDGESHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

REPORT TO: Planning Committee

7 November 2012

AUTHOR/S: Planning and New Communities Director

S/0798/12/FL – BAR HILL

**Installation of a Storage Pod and Canopy occupying 10 parking spaces within
Store Car Park at 15 Viking Way, Bar Hill for Tesco's Stores Ltd
Recommendation: Approval**

Date for Determination: 8 June 2012

This application has been reported to the planning Committee for determination as the Parish Council recommendation of refusal differs from the officer recommendation.

To be presented to the Committee by Saffron Garner

A. Update to the report

1. Following the confirmation of the Parish Council's recommendation of refusal the planning agents have made the following comments:

We would like to take this opportunity to offer our response to the Parish Council's objection to the proposal on the grounds of loss of car parking and reference to a previous application for a hand car wash service.

The New Click and Collect Facility gives customers the option to order and pay for their groceries on line and then drive to the facility for collection, so the Click and Collect service does not contribute to a direct loss of car parking as say a hand car wash might be seen to do.

The first Click and Collect service was first trialed in 2010 at Baldock and Romford stores and due to its popularity a national roll out of the service started in 2011 and continues to be delivered at stores throughout the UK in 2012.

The facility can serve up to 24 customers over a 2 hour period, therefore on a week day with the Click and collect operating between the hours of 8am to 8pm up to 144 customers can be serviced, this is 144 customers that do not need to park at the store to do their shopping, on this basis we believe that the new service can justify the small loss of car parking spaces.

It is anticipated that the customer base will be a mix of existing store customers, home delivery customers and an element of new custom to the store.

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