

Prosperous Communities Committee

20th March 2018

Subject: Parish Lighting Policy

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Purpose / Summary:	To introduce new policy for Council owned Parish Lighting

RECOMMENDATION(S):

1. Members approve the Parish Lighting Policy.

IMPLICATIONS

Legal:

Any works relating to Parish Lighting shall be conducted with due regard to current legal requirements.

Financial: FIN/160/18/CC

There are no financial implications arising from this report

Staffing:

Any reviews and new requests shall be managed by Enterprising Communities staff. Additional advice may be required from other service areas when conducting reviews.

Equality and Diversity including Human Rights :

None

Risk Assessment:

None

Climate Related Risks and Opportunities:

None

Title and Location of any Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:

Call in and Urgency:

Is the decision one which Rule 14.7 of the Scrutiny Procedure Rules apply?

i.e. is the report exempt from being called in due to urgency (in consultation with C&I chairman)	Yes		No	x	
Key Decision:					
A matter which affects two or more wards, or has significant financial implications	Yes	x	No		

1. Background

- 1.1 As of 1st March 2018 the Council owns and maintains 1,068 parish lights across the district. They are distinct from street lighting which is the responsibility of Lincolnshire County Council as the responsible Highway Authority.
- 1.2 Maintenance is conducted by Lincolnshire County Council under the joint Shared Service agreement with City of Lincoln Council and North Kesteven District Council. This agreement has now been included with other community based service agreements to ensure regular reviews of performance and delivery take place.
- 1.3 The Council is in the early stages of a maintenance programme to move to LED lighting. This work will achieve running cost reductions on electricity and reduce maintenance costs. In addition the LED technology will reduce the environmental impact of parish lighting.
- 1.4 To ensure the Council's inventory of parish lights are maintained and managed effectively it is proposed to introduce a new Parish Lighting Policy.

2. Parish Lighting Policy

- 2.1 The policy provides direction and guidance on how the council maintains parish lighting, conducts reviews of existing lights and considers requests for new lighting installations.
- 2.2 The policy introduces criteria for the council's parish lighting. The council will only provide and maintain parish lighting where it meets one or more of the criteria.
- 2.3 The Councils constitution shall be amended to provide delegation to officers for determining parish lighting reviews and new requests. This will be included as part of the Annual Review of the Constitution.

APPENDIX A – Parish Lighting Policy v1.0

3. Recommendations

3.1 Members approve the Parish Lighting Policy.