

**Open Report on behalf of Richard Wills,
Director responsible for Democratic Services**

Report to:	Overview and Scrutiny Management Board
Date:	26 April 2018
Subject:	DRAFT Final Report from the Impact of the Part Night Street Lighting Policy Scrutiny Review

Summary:

This report invites the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board to consider the draft final report arising from the scrutiny review into the Impact of the Part-Night Street Lighting Policy. Subject to the approval of the Board, the report will be submitted to the Executive on 5 June 2018 for its consideration and response. This response will be considered at a future meeting of the Board.

Actions Required:

The Overview and Scrutiny Management Board is invited to

- (1) approve the attached draft final report on Impact of the Part- Night Street Lighting Policy, with or without amendment.
- (2) agree that the final report should be submitted to the Executive on 5 June 2018 for its consideration and response.

1. Background

The Overview and Scrutiny Management Board agreed at its meeting on 27 July 2017 that Scrutiny Panel B should undertake a scrutiny review on the Impact of the Part Night Street Lighting Policy.

The purpose of the scrutiny review was to look at the impact of the change in the Street Lighting Policy to turn street lights off in certain areas at midnight. The review was to consider a number of different areas where there may have been an impact, either positive or negative, as a result of this change.

The main lines of enquiry for the scrutiny review were as follows:

1. To consider key national and local documents and guidance in relation to the Part Night Street Lighting Policy.
2. To examine the impact of switching off street lights at midnight on different areas such as on the environment; crime rates; fears about safety and crime; emergency services; health and public health services.

3. To consider data and substantiated evidence, such as crime rate figures, accident data, complaint figures, and exemption requests, regarding the impact of the Part Night Street Lighting Policy.
4. To consider the wider economic impact of Part Night Street Lighting on business, including the impact on the night time economy.
5. To invite the views of members of the public, County Councillors, district councils and parish/town councils regarding the perceived impact on crime rates, and fears of crime and safety.
6. To conduct comparisons with other Local Authorities who have also changed their street lighting policy to incorporate part night lighting.
7. To investigate potential savings or cost implications arising from any proposed changes to the Part Night Street Lighting Policy within the allocated budget.

2. Conclusion

Scrutiny Panel B has produced a draft final report containing five recommendations and this is attached as Appendix A to this report. The Board is asked to consider the attached draft final report and decide whether to adopt the draft as its final report, with or without amendment.

3. Consultation

a) Have Risks and Impact Analysis been carried out?

Not Applicable

b) Risks and Impact Analysis

Not Applicable

4. Appendices

These are listed below and attached at the back of the report	
Appendix A	Review of Impact of the Part Night Street Lighting Policy - Draft Final Report

5. Background Papers

No background papers within Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972 were used in the preparation of this report.

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