

**Open Report on behalf of Paul Coathup, Assistant Director, Highways and Transport**

Report to:	<b>Executive Councillor William Webb</b>
Date:	<b>06 December 2010</b>
Subject:	<b>Street Lighting Policy Update</b>
Decision Reference:	<b>01819</b>
Key decision?	<b>Yes</b>

**Summary:**

This decision updates the Street Lighting Policy.

**Recommendation(s):**

That the Street Lighting Policy as attached in Appendix A is adopted.

**Alternatives Considered:**

1. Not updating the Street Lighting Policy has been considered but this would impede the County Council to effectively respond to carbon management and energy efficiency agendas in the area of street lighting.

**Reasons for Recommendation:**

Updating the Street Lighting Policy will allow the County Council to manage these assets in the most effective manner possible taking into account the desire to have carbon and energy efficient assets.

**1. Background**

The updated Street Lighting Policy was considered by Highways, Transport and Technology Scrutiny Committee on 13 September 2010. The Policy has had further minor revision as a result of the specific issues raised by scrutiny. Consultation with the Police and the Road Safety Partnership did not raise any concerns that had not already been taken into account in the proposed update. The final version of the proposed updated Street Lighting Policy is shown in Appendix A.

**2. Conclusion**

The Street Lighting Policy update as attached at Appendix A is recommended for adoption.

### **3. Legal Comments:**

The Council as local highway authority is empowered under the Highways Act 1980 to provide lighting for any highway for which it is the highway authority. This decision is therefore lawful and within the remit of the Executive Councillor provided he has the delegated authority of the Leader

### **4. Resource Comments:**

Approval of this report updates the Council's street lighting policy and as such does not commit the Council to any direct expenditure, however compliance with the updated policy will incur expenditure, this will be funded from within the current Highways and Transport capital and revenue programmes.

### **5. Consultation**

#### **a) Has Local Member Been Consulted?**

n/a

#### **b) Has Executive Councillor Been Consulted?**

n/a

#### **c) Scrutiny Comments**

The Highways Transport and Technology Scrutiny Committee stated that the Executive be recommended:

1. That the proposed changes to the Street Lighting Policy be agreed subject to paragraph 2.4 being re-examined to meet requests from the public
2. That relevant agencies, e.g. Police and the Road Safety Partnership, etc, be consulted on the new policy
3. That the policy be recommended for adoption.
4. That the finalised policy be submitted to the Committee.

#### **d) Policy Proofing Actions Required**

n/a

### **6. Appendices**

These are listed below and attached at the back of the report

Appendix A	Street Lighting Policy
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### **7. Background Papers**

The following background papers as defined in the Local Government Act 1972 were relied upon in the writing of this report.

Document title	Where the document can be viewed
Report to Highways, Transport and Technology Committee - Street Lighting Policy	County Offices, Newland, Lincoln

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