



meeting	STREET LIGHTING SELECT COMMITTEE	
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Report of the Chair of the Street Lighting Select Committee

Work Programme

Purpose of the report

1. To provide an introduction to Dave Coatham, Institution of Lighting Engineers.
2. To present a letter sent to the Committee from a member of the public, a transcript of which is attached as an appendix to this report.

Background

3. On 26th March 2007, Overview and Scrutiny Committee commissioned a Select Committee to examine the issue of street lighting repair performance by E-ON (Central Networks). This review concluded on 11 June 2007 with a final report received by Cabinet on 25 July 2007.
4. Further to the Street Lighting Repair Review, on 21 May 2007, the Overview and Scrutiny Committee commissioned a wider review of street lighting issues to identify and feed into emerging areas of street lighting policy development as well as existing policies.

Presentation by Dave Coatham – Institute of Lighting Engineers

5. The Institution of Lighting Engineers (ILE) is the UK's largest and most influential professional lighting association. The ILE includes lighting designers, architects, consultants and engineers among its 2,200 members. The key purpose of the ILE is to promote excellence in all forms of lighting and is dedicated to raising awareness about the important contribution of lighting to road safety, crime prevention and the environment.

Letter received from a member of the public

6. The transcript of the letter attached as appendix 1 was sent by a member of the public for the Select Committee's information and consideration. It suggests that as an alternative to part night lighting, the possibility of a programme replacing 55 watt SOX lamps with 35 watt SOX lamps on 5 metre columns should be explored. This would result in a reduction of 20 watts per light making energy savings.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Select Committee:

- consider, and ask any questions on the information provided in the presentation to the Select Committee
- consider and discuss the transcript
- consider if there are any outstanding areas of information that will be required before a final report can be prepared
- agree any issues around the future work programme.

Councillor John Knight
Chair of the Street Lighting Select Committee

Background papers: appendix 1.