

Item 22

MIDDLEMOOR ROAD, FRIMLEY GREEN
PETITION FOR ADDITIONAL STREET LIGHTING

SURREY COUNTY COUNCIL'S
LOCAL COMMITTEE IN SURREY HEATH

29th April 2004

KEY ISSUE:

This report is to inform Members of a petition has been received requesting additional Public Lighting within a cul-de-sac section off Middlemoor Road.

SUMMARY:

The petition (of 14 signatures) received by the Local Transportation Service, requests an additional street light in the cul-de-sac location off Middlemoor Road. There is concern from the local residents about the hours of darkness activities.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Local Committee:

1. note the petition and,
2. allow the Street Lighting Engineer to use the previously agreed Lighting Improvement Matrix mechanism to determine the actual works programme.

INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

1. A resident of Middlemoor Road submitted the petition via e-mail to the LTS office on the 9th March 2004.
2. The number of signatories is small, but residents of eight of the eleven properties that have an aspect directing towards the area of Public Highway in question have 'signed' the petition.

ANALYSIS AND COMMENTARY

3. There is a single lighting column present at the moment. The equipment dates from the mid 1960's.
4. The light output from the lighting column is by modern standards poor and would not be installed today.

CONSULTATION

5. No consultation has been undertaken.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

6. The requested improvement will be scored alongside all other schemes on the Matrix. The level of funding will determine the schemes that are able to be undertaken this year. The Lighting Improvement budget was agreed at the meeting of the 18th March 2004. Investigations as to the possibility of any Crime & Disorder funding will be carried out.

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT IMPLICATIONS

7. The availability of adequate public lighting serves to support the Local Transportation Plan in all areas, and responds to the concerns raised under the Crime & Disorder agenda.

CRIME & DISORDER IMPLICATIONS

8. Adequate public lighting is a proven weapon in the fight against crime and the fear of crime. Allegations of anti-social behaviour within this area have been made and incidents reported to the Police.

EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

9. Adequate public lighting holds equal benefit to all members of the community, but often proves especially beneficial to the elderly, young children and lone women.

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BACKGROUND PAPERS

- **Petition**
- **18th March 2004 Committee Report – Agenda item 22.**

Number of Annexes: **None**