

## WC Information Item

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| <b>Subject:</b>                 | <b>Changes to Street Lighting</b>   |
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### Summary of announcement:

The Council needs to save money and reduce its carbon footprint by reducing energy usage. Rising energy costs, carbon tax and budget restraints make it necessary to change the way we light our streets.

We will be converting some of the street lights in our towns and surrounding areas, so that some of them are not on between about midnight and 5.30am where it is safe to do so.

Lights at junctions, pedestrian crossings and where required for safety will remain on all night. Lighting where there are CCTV systems, in the town centre, and in areas where crime is a problem will remain on and at normal lighting levels.

The scheme was the subject of a consultation in 2012 when the views of the public and organisations were invited before the Council's Cabinet considered the matter.

The scheme has been operating successfully in Trowbridge for over six months and will be rolled out in the other towns this summer. A review of the scheme will be undertaken after six months to determine whether further changes are necessary, and the views of the Town and Parish Councils will be sought.

| Date of Implementation    | Area   |
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| 1 <sup>st</sup> July      | Melksham,<br>Westbury,<br>Salisbury,<br>Laverstock,<br>Wilton                          |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> August    | Warminster,<br>Corsham,<br>Chippenham,<br>Bradford on Avon                             |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> September | Calne,<br>Malmesbury,<br>Royal Wotton Bassett,<br>Devizes,<br>Marlborough,<br>Amesbury |

After the introduction of the scheme if there are locations where there are any serious safety issues, these will be considered and changes made as necessary.