

Northampton Borough Council  
Overview and Scrutiny Committee  
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Briefing Note: **NBC STREET LIGHTING**

**1. UPDATE**

- 1.1 Following a tender process, Thorn Electrical Ltd were appointed to carry out a full inspection of all street lights in NBC ownership. The contract programme runs from July 2018 until end of November 2018.
- 1.2 As at end of October 2018 over 1200 street lights have been inspected and the final 100 street lights will be complete week commencing 12<sup>th</sup> November. The final report will be issued week commencing 19<sup>th</sup> November (slightly ahead than programme).
- 1.3 Due to a poor maintenance regime in the past, there is a significant amount of work required to bring the street lights up to standard.
- 1.4 A capital programme bid will be completed for the capital programme 2019-2020. At this stage £900,000 will be requested, but this may change once all of the data is captured and analysed.
- 1.5 All lights that provide a risk to life are being isolated and made safe.
- 1.6 Notification in the form of a sticker will be placed on the street lights to advise that a programme of replacement/rationalisation will take place next financial year. Where there is a risk to public safety in certain areas these lights will be brought forward.

**2. NEXT STEPS**

- 2.1 With the assistance of an expert lighting engineer, an options paper will be produced in the next 16 weeks. This will consider the type of lights to be installed, with a view to reducing energy consumption and maintenance costs.