

May 2024 Annual Council Meeting Agenda Item 26.3 Dorman Avenue South Lighting

Supporting Report.

Introduction:

During the recent meeting of the Parish Council, concerns were raised regarding the inadequate street lighting along Dorman Avenue South. In response to these concerns, Parish Council Officers initiated discussions with the Highways officer to explore potential solutions to address the issue effectively.

Background:

Upon consulting with the Highways officer, it was advised that the most appropriate course of action would be to incorporate the matter into the Highways Improvement Plan. This plan is scheduled for revision in Autumn 2024, providing an opportune moment to address the deficiency in street lighting along Dorman Avenue South.

In reviewing previous correspondence dated 2022, it was noted that the street lighting in Aylesham, including Dorman Avenue South, if not adopted by Kent County Council, falls under the jurisdiction of Dover District Council. Any proposed improvements or installations must adhere to recognized standards outlined in the BSEN 589, as well as meet the specifications set forth by Kent County Council.

Additionally, it was highlighted that the structural condition of existing columns along Dorman Avenue South may not meet the KCC standard Coastal specifications, potentially necessitating complete replacement to accommodate any proposed lighting scheme.

Current Status:

To ascertain the necessary steps and associated costs for implementing additional street lighting along Dorman Avenue South, Parish Council Officers have requested that Kent County Council conduct lighting calculations for the area. This information is crucial for the Parish Council to assess the financial implications and explore funding opportunities for the project.

Action Required:

1. Await further information from Kent County Council regarding the lighting calculations for Dorman Avenue South.
2. Evaluate the costs associated with implementing the required street lighting upgrades.
3. Explore potential funding sources to support the project.
4. Incorporate the matter into the forthcoming revision of the Highways Improvement Plan in Autumn 2024 if council wish to proceed.

N.Purcell

Administration Officer