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Called in

Yes/No

THE THANET DISTRICT COUNCIL

RECORD OF DECISION OF CABINET

Relevant Portfolio:

Cleansing and Coastal Services

Date of Decision:

21 September 2023

Subject:

LED Street Lighting Contract

Key Decision

Yes

In Forward Plan

Yes

Brief summary of matter:

The council is responsible for the maintenance of approximately 500 street lights across the district. A project is included in the 2023/24 capital programme to replace or upgrade some of the existing street lighting with newer technology energy efficient LED fittings and where necessary new lighting columns. This will not only reduce energy consumption in line with the Council's net Zero Strategy, the fittings also have a much longer design life so will reduce the frequency of future maintenance visits.

Decision made:

To incur expenditure of approximately £333k for the replacement and/or upgrade of lighting provision at various locations within the district. The funding consists of a £283k capital budget and a contribution of up to £50k from Broadstairs and St Peter's Town Council for lighting works at Broadstairs Harbour and Victoria Parade.

Reasons for decision:

To ensure lighting columns are not disconnected or removed, and are using the latest energy efficient technology.

Alternatives considered and why rejected:

Not undertaking this work would lead to an increased number of lighting failures. There is insufficient revenue funding to maintain the lighting stock without the proposed capital upgrade work and this would lead to some columns being disconnected or removed due to their condition.

Details of any conflict of interest declared by any executive Member who has been consulted and of any dispensation granted by the Standards Committee:

None

Author and date of Officer report:

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Background papers

20230921 Cabinet Report - LED Street Lighting Conversion Project - Google Docs

Statement if decision is an urgent one and therefore not subject to call-in:

N/A

Last date for call in: 29 September 2023