DELEGATED DECISIONS BY DEPUTY LEADER OF THE COUNCIL WITH RESPONSIBILITY FOR CLIMATE CHANGE, ENVIRONMENT AND FUTURE GENERATIONS – 14 NOVEMBER 2024

ITEM 2 - QUESTIONS FROM COUNTY COUNCILLORS

1. COUNCILLOR CHARLIE HICKS

Please can Cllr Sudbury clarify, following the application of the exclusion list, what % of urban streets this policy (Dark Skies) will apply to?

COUNCILLOR PETE SUDBURY, DEPUTY LEADER OF THE COUNCIL WITH RESPONSIBILITY FOR CLIMATE CHANGE, ENVIRONMENT AND FUTURE GENERATIONS.

The exercise of applying our exclusion criteria determining which lights would be converted to operate for part night, along with the timing of the dark period to match local activity levels can only be undertaken on an area-by-area basis, in close cooperation with representatives of the respective town / parish council and the Police.

Maximising positive benefits to people and the natural world and minimising crime requires good lighting, in warm colour temperatures (yellow/orange) whilst people are out and about, and darkness whilst they are not. We have assumed 30% of lights are not converted and would expect a majority of those to be in larger conurbations and other places where activity really doesn't cease.

Questions are listed in the order in which they were received. Should any questioner not have received an answer in that time, a written answer will be provided.