

Business Case

B 1 - General

To seek member's agreement to release Capital funding previously approved for the work required to bring back into operation the Blue lantern ornamental lighting on Burton Road Bridge.

B 2 –Service / Service / Function

The EMT service has carried out an exercise that has resulted in identifying an electrical contractor able to bring the ornamental lighting on Burton Road bridge back into use. Capital monies have been allocated to this project and this business case seeks member's approval to engage with a reputable council approved list electrical engineer known to the council for a number of years with a reputation for their expertise and quality of work, to undertake the renewals works required.

B 3 – Strategic fit

This project will see one of the town's main gateways restored back to its former condition with working ornamental lighting adding an attractive and welcoming aspect to visitors, locals and commuters coming into the town over Burton Road bridge. This fits extremely well with all of the 'Place' corporate priorities.

B 4 - Options appraisal

It was originally envisaged that the lighting would be renewed and renovated at the same time. However the nature and location of the lights has resulted in a view that the bringing of the lights back into use, and the refurbishment / painting etc. needs to be carried out at separate times using different specialist contractors. This business case is seeking the release of funds to cover the renewal of the lights so they are once again functional. This Business case is seeking £7,000 for the renewal work required and a further £4,000 for the additional cost of refurbishment. A painting contractor able to carry out the refurbishment works will be engaged following the lights being repaired and brought back into use.

B 5 - Achievability

Achievability has been carefully considered and accordingly the electrician tentatively engaged has already determined all the requirements i.e. all external permissions and authorities including a highway closure order that will be required during the actual undertaking of the works.

B 6 - Legal Issues (if applicable)

There are no legal issues as such, it should be noted that the County Council highways lights on the bridge, maintained and working, do cover the basic lighting legal requirement on the bridge.

B 7 Specification

The works instruction will see new inner workings installed within the lamp housings with extremely long life LED lighting replacing the traditional bulbs. This is expected to result in many years of lighting without the need to replace the lighting element of the unit resulting in significantly lower running and maintenance costs.

B 8 - Financial Implications

Capital		
	£	Comment
Initial Costs	£11,000	
External Funding	-	-
Net Cost	-	-
Ongoing Savings	-	NA – but there is an expectation of significantly lower on-going costs.
Phasing	N/A	-

B 9 – Project Scoring Matrix

Scoring – for your project – calculate the points.			
Criteria	1 Point	2 Points	3 Points
Cost £ (budget, time and human resource)	<£10k	£10k - £50K	>£50K
Timescale	< 6 months	6 – 12 months	> 12 months
Impact if project failed on the organisation	Minor disruption	Moderate	Major
Melton's Track Record	Done Successfully Many Times Before	Done Successfully Once or Twice Before	New Area of Working
Stakeholder Interest (internal and external)	Minimal	Moderate	Major
Project Complexity	Straight-forward	Moderately Complex	Highly Complex
TOTAL	a?	b?	c?
OVERALL SCORE	2+1+2+3+1+1 = 10		