

Changes to street lighting across the county

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A decision has been made by Warwickshire County Council to operate approximately 80% of County Council owned street lights on a part night basis. This will mean around 39,000 street lights will be switched off between the hours of midnight and 5.30am.

Why Are We Doing This?

To Save Money - The Council currently spends in the region of £2.2 million on electricity for street lighting. It is anticipated that operating the lights on a part night basis will save approximately £500,000.

To Reduce Carbon Emissions - It is estimated that we will reduce Warwickshire County Council's carbon emissions by 3,000 tonnes.

To Reduce Light Pollution - In addition to saving money and reducing carbon emissions, 'sky glow' or light pollution will be significantly reduced.

Not all street lights will be affected by the changes. After consultation with the Police, Road Safety and Community Safety we have identified locations where we will not be operating part night lighting, these are:-

Where there are potential hazards on the highway such as roundabouts, traffic signal controlled junctions, central carriageway islands, traffic calming features, road humps etc.

At formal pedestrian crossings (Zebra, Pelican, Puffin, Toucan and Pegasus)

Areas covered by permanent Local Authority/Police CCTV cameras.

Areas adjacent to elderly people care homes, sheltered accommodation complexes and A&E departments.

Lighting adjacent to operational taxi ranks

Lighting on public footpaths, alleyways and cycle paths which are located away from roads

Parish, Town, District or Borough Council owned lighting will not be affected by Warwickshire County Council's changes.

Further details are also available on our website - www.warwickshire.gov.uk/partnightlighting

Information will also be available at your next community forum. The dates of forums can be found on our website - www.warwickshire.gov.uk/communityforums alternatively please call the relevant area team on –

North Warwickshire - 01827 719317

Nuneaton and Bedworth – 024 7637 5700

Rugby – 01788 533656

Stratford – 01789 260133

Warwick – 01926 456102

Yours faithfully

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