

12.5 Street Lights In Clayton

File Ref:	9.24.1
Officer (full name):	Dennis Zanker
From:	Mike Galea
Officers Consulted (full name):	EM – Matt James, CE – John Coombe
Budget Allocation:	NA
Budget Spent to Date:	
Risk Assessment:	Risk to Council if lighting not provided to the level nominated in the Australian Standards.
ESD Impact/Benefit:-	
* Environmental:	Minor impact from the provision of lighting columns. Some impact of 'escaped light' on the night sky.
* Social:	Benefits to safety for road users, pedestrians and for property security.
* Economic:	No cost to Council as provided by developers. If not installed currently by developers then there is a risk the whole community will end up paying in the future.

REPORT

A land division known as Pelican Waters Estate on the north side of Alexandrina Drive at Clayton is creating 132 new residential allotments. The engineering requirements have included a requirement for street lighting to Australian Standards AS/NZS 1158.3.1:2005 "Lighting for roads and public spaces" Category P5 which is Council's standard requirement for local roads in all new land divisions.

There have been several expressions of unhappiness from Clayton residents regarding the new lights, culminating in the letter from Mike Galea the President of the Clayton Community Association Inc. According to Mike's letter it could be construed that 68% of property owners have indicated they don't want street lighting in Clayton.

It must be stated that the majority of the residents surveyed would be well away from the new subdivision area and thus not affected at all by the lighting.

It may well be that new residents that come to the new estate may not share this view and may well expect street lighting to be provided.

Given that the street lighting has been installed to the Australian Standards I cannot recommend that they now not be turned on. That would signal a clear breach of Council's risk management responsibility.

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The Mayor welcomed Cynthia, a resident from Clayton, to the discussions at 5.34pm.

Cynthia spoke to Council of concerns with the proposed street light activation in Clayton.

ACS06222 Moved Cr Featherston seconded Cr Potter that Council support in principle the community, in not having the street lights in Clayton activated subject to:

1. Council obtaining legal advice on activation of lights.
2. Council seeking advice from the electricity regulator in respect of activation of lights in new land divisions.
3. Council considering the activation of lights when development takes place
4. Council considering the activation of lights being switched off at agreed times
5. The position of Council has regards to our responsibilities in energy conservation

CARRIED

Cynthia left the discussions at 5.43pm