

# ANNEX B SCRUTINY TOPIC REGISTRATION FORM

### SUGGESTED TITLE OF TOPIC

**Street Lighting** – a management/procurement strategy to reduce CO2 emissions and waste

**ABOUT YOU** Please fill in as many of the details as you are able to.

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Are You (delete as applicable)  • A Resident of York		YES
A Visitor		NO
A City of York Councillor		YES
A City of York Council Employee		
A Representative of a Voluntary Organisation or Charitable Trust     (if YES please tell us the organisations title and your relationship to the organisation below)		NO
Other (please comment)		

#### ABOUT YOUR PROPOSED TOPIC

Please write your responses to as many of the questions below as you are able to.

WHY DO YOU THINK THIS TOPIC IS IMPORTANT? As part of demonstrating our commitment to addressing the issue of Climate Change, and reducing CO2 emissions, it is vital that we properly audit our street lighting.

To ensure our street lighting is making a minimum impact on the environment we have to be sure we are using long lasting and energy efficient bulbs, whilst obviously insisting that they provide the level of lighting we need and that the costs are not prohibitive.

We need a coherent procurement strategy to ensure we are purchasing the most energy efficient bulbs and we need to a maintenance strategy that is both cost effective and creates the minimum amount of waste.

As the electricity bill the city pays for street lighting is based on assessments we provide, rather than on metering, we must know what we are using where, and know that our bulb procurement policy is geared to reducing bills by promoting energy efficiency.

As part of this topic we must also our procurement policy is not creating light pollution.

DO YOU KNOW IF THIS TOPIC IS IMPORTANT TO OTHER PEOPLE? IF SO, WHO AND WHY?

An effective street lighting management/procurement policy will reduce CO2 emissions and reduce the city's energy bills. Both of these will benefit the public.

WHAT DO YOU THINK SCRUTINY OF THIS TOPIC MIGHT CHANGE, DO OR ACHIEVE?

Provide a report enabling the necessary changes to be made to procurement and management policy.

## DO YOU HAVE IDEAS ABOUT THE APPROACH SCRUTINY MEMBERS MIGHT TAKE TO YOUR SUGGESTED TOPIC?

Speak with Street lighting manager to learn about current practice.

Speak with one or more of the engineers who actually does maintains the street light. I understand bulbs are currently being changed when the lighting units are cleaned. If true, this is very wasteful. Negotiation and discussion would, I hope, help to create a better strategy.

Get input from the European lighting confederation and/or others to get latest news on the most energy efficient lighting available.

Produce a procurement / management strategy to put before the executive.

WOULD YOU BE HAPPY TO TALK TO SCRUTINY MEMBERS ABOUT YOUR PROPOSED TOPIC AT FORMAL MEETINGS?

PLEASE ENCLOSE ANY SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS OR OTHER INFORMATION YOU FEEL MIGHT BE USEFUL BACKGROUND TO THE SUBMISSION OF THIS TOPIC FOR CONSIDERATION.

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