Part 2 - Proposals from Managers for Implementation

The following proposals have been brought forward. The Managers indicated will exercise their powers to approve the proposal unless a Councillor requests the item be referred for decision to the relevant Cabinet Member or Regulatory Committee. Your request must be made to JOANNE WILDSMITH (Democratic Support Officer) and must be received by not later than 5 pm on Friday 21 August 2009. An email or handwritten letter will suffice.

If you want to know more about a proposal, please contact the Officer indicated.

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1		Revision to Roads and Street Furniture in Historic Areas Proposal: To revise the section of the guidance publication Roads and Street Furniture in Historic Areas relating to Lanterns in the section on Street Lighting so that in the section on Lanterns part 3(ii) (a) be amended to read Lanterns on smaller columns will generally be the Abbey/Windsor pattern. This report follows discussion of lighting work being carried out by Colas in Old Portsmouth at a meeting with the Cabinet Member for Planning Regeneration and Economic Development on 16th April 2009. The approved guidance document Roads and Street Furniture in Historic Areas produced by the Planning and Engineering Services in 2001 sets out basic guidance on works in conservation areas. It suggests that visually it would be preferable if a similar design of column and lantern was adopted in any one road. The purpose of this was to try to ensure some degree of uniformity in each individual road, avoiding a mixture of round and square lanterns. Concern has been expressed about the height of the columns used in Warblington Street and St Nicholas Street. The height of the columns was exacerbated by the use of narrow, round lanterns which gives the columns a tall spindly appearance. This effect is less marked when	OFFICER CONTACT Bob Colley Senior Planning Officer (Conservation) Planning Services Tel: 9283 4310
		St Nicholas Street. The height of the columns was exacerbated by the use of narrow, round	
		Consequently it was suggested that in future the square lantern be adopted as a standard.	

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Contd/	A quick survey of 4 of the larger Southsea conservation areas, together with the Old Portsmouth conservation area suggests that generally the number of round and square lanterns is about equal. However in the large Owen's Southsea conservation area about 3 of lanterns are round and 1 are square.	
	Given the number of round lanterns currently in use it is likely that their replacement by square lanterns will only be completed in the long term. The Head of Transport and Street Management estimates that all lanterns are likely to be replaced within the Colas contract period.	
	As lighting schemes usually cover the whole or most of a road it is probable (but not certain) that most in any one road will need replacing at the same time. However the short term effect of a change of lantern style will be a variety of lantern styles in individual roads.	
	The Head of Transport and Street Management has been consulted and concurs with the recommendation.	
	It is desirable in the long term to achieve a consistent pattern of lantern and the square pattern offers the most pleasing and sympathetic solution.	