

To receive Cornwall Council's street lighting initiative and consider any actions.

Report to: Full Town Council

Date of Report: 13 January 2026

Officer Writing the Report: Mayor's Secretary/ Receptionist

Pursuant to: FTC held on 5.9.24 minute nr 191/24/25

Purpose of the report:

To receive a report from Cornwall Council on the next phase of their streetlighting initiative.

Officer's Recommendations

Members are asked to consider:

1. To support the streetlighting switch-off initiative as part of Cornwall Council's county-wide carbon-reduction programme
2. Act as the liaison point for any community requests to switch specific lights back on (only in exceptional, police-supported circumstances) and / or propose additional locations where switch-off may be appropriate;
3. To note the interactive mapping and acknowledge the Saltash streetlights that have been affected;
4. To continue to raise any queries or concerns directly with Cornwall Council's streetlighting team (streetlighting@cornwall.gov.uk).

Report Summary

Cornwall Council is progressing its county-wide programme to switch off or dim streetlighting during late-night hours to reduce carbon emissions, cut costs, and support environmental benefits. This follows successful examples across the UK and Europe and forms part of an ongoing rollout that began in December 2023. Full request received attached as **Appendix A**.

Saltash is included in the next phase, with changes planned for late January. The proposed schedule is:

- Sunday–Thursday: Full switch-off from midnight to 5am
- Friday & Saturday: Ultra-dimming from midnight to 5am

Streetlights selected for switch-off have been chosen following a careful review and consultation with local police to ensure safety considerations are met. Map attached as **Appendix B** with an interactive map available by following this link:

<https://cornwallcouncil.maps.arcgis.com/apps/instant/basic/index.html?appid=07845e198a37473c8068e4556e4a404e>

Cornwall Council is asking all Parish/Town Councils to act as a point of contact for community feedback — either:

- Requests to reinstate lighting in exceptional circumstances (to be considered jointly with the police), or
- Suggestions for additional lights that could potentially be switched off.

To date, the Town Council has received one response from a concerned resident regarding the proposed streetlight switch-off. This correspondence is included at **Appendix C**, along with Cornwall Council's comments addressing the points raised.

Signature of Officer:

Mayor's Secretary/ Receptionist