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Dear Sir,

**Street Lighting Proposals**

I am writing on behalf of the Holcombe Residents Association regarding the proposal to both turn off residential street lights between certain times, and to dim / reduce street lights in other locations such as main roads. The Association has over 320 members in the village.

At a recent meeting attended by around 60 members, the street lighting proposals were discussed. There was unanimous agreement in support of Devon County Council's plans as a means of saving costs and to reduce the area's carbon footprint. Indeed the vast majority of members present would go further and turn off street lights on the main A379 in the early hours of the morning, although some members felt that for security and safety reasons some lighting was required. Depending on the technology introduced, some members also felt that the timing of the switch off could possibly be varied depending on the day of the week e.g. keeping the lights on longer at weekends on the A379 as more people, such as pedestrians, are likely to be around.

Whatever scheme is introduced, it was generally felt that an evaluation of the impact of the new proposal should take place in say a year's time, looking not just at the cost savings but at safety and security issues in the area.

I hope these views help inform your discussion.

Yours faithfully

Andy Watson, Chairman - Holcombe Residents Association

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