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## **FREIGHT HOUSE SECURITY LIGHTS (Minute 42/01)**

### **1 SUMMARY**

- 1.1 This report provides Members with detailed costings for the replacement of the Security Lights at Freight House with a Vandal resistant fitting.

### **2 INTRODUCTION**

- 2.1 At the Leisure Sub- Committee on 13 March 2001 it was reported to Members that the cost of fitting mesh grills to the security lights at Freight House was in the order of £300 per light.
- 2.2 It was also considered that as Freight House was in the Rochford Conservation area that additional treatment to the light may need Conservation area approval.

### **3 REPLACEMENT LIGHTS**

- 3.1 Officers have investigated the alternative approach of replacing the existing security lights with an alternative fitting that includes the mesh protection to the glass front.
- 3.2 It is considered that using similar fittings with inbuilt mesh grill would not require conservation area approval.

### **4 CRIME AND DISORDER IMPLICATIONS**

- 4.1 Security lighting is essential to the use of Freight House and for the security of vehicles parked around the building. The provision of these new light fittings will help reduce the damage to the lights, therefore improving security.

### **5 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

- 5.1 There is a sum of £150,000 set aside in the Capital Programme for the Leisure Buildings in 2001/02. This budget was agreed in order that the Council could carry out essential repairs set out in the independent Building Condition Survey of Leisure Buildings. The estimated cost of works is set out in the confidential report contained in Agenda Item 12.
- 5.2 The external security lights are not identified as requiring replacement currently, but there has been an ongoing vandalism problem that has incurred responsive maintenance repairs.

**6 RECOMMENDATION**

6.1 It is proposed that the Sub-Committee **RECOMMENDS**

That Members agree to the replacement of the existing security lights with funding from the Capital Programme at an estimated cost set out in the private and confidential report contained at Agenda Item 12.  
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