

Comments on the LED lamps being trialled at No 4 The Hill and No 25 Abbey Lane

The following comments are from residents living near to the replaced bulbs. SSE have been asked to provide a quote for 'blanking out' an area of the light fitting to prevent light reaching areas of bats.

Comments

"The light at Jasmine Cottage is certainly softer/warmer and subsequently makes a big difference, however the light still reaches into our garages where there are bats - just over 28 meters away from the light.

There for I would like to see a barrier put on the shared drive facing pane of glass to stop this happening.

I didn't stay up to see when the light goes off but if we can have it turned off at midnight that would be great."

"The light is rather brighter so blanking out this side would be preferable if poss."

"It's very much better, a softer light altogether. The light stayed on all night Friday and Saturday but I think it has adjusted as Tony tells me it now goes off overnight although it was still on at 1am this morning."

"We have taken a good look at the light outside the cottage and the Boucher light and both of us very much prefer the light cast by the Boucher light which seems a far softer light and a much better colour, being quite white, unlike the orange glow from ours. The Boucher light is 2700 kelvins as opposed to ours at 2200 so would much prefer a bulb that had that Kelvin rating and therefore whiter, and preferably too, a lesser lumen rating as well.

Driving up through the village from the Inn, it was actually quite interesting as we came up Freshford Lane as there was no light anywhere near as bright and orange as the Cottage light between the school junction and the Pump. The Pump light is very bright and orange but needs to be, with the 90 degree bend and three lanes joining. Similarly the light at the top of Rosemary Lane is very important with that junction. But the one outside the cottage is on a straight run of road so we do not understand the reasoning for it to be so bright.

Also the timing seems strange....why the light is on til 12.30/1.00 in the morning. The pubs are shut by then and the volume of traffic from late evening is very light. We would have thought if the light could go off at 11pm that would be far more appropriate and cost effective as well as helping ecologically.

We do really appreciate all the efforts made so far and hopefully as we are somewhat of the 'guinea pigs' in this, that we might be able to get our light changed at some time to the same as the Boucher one."