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**16/00393/REG3****Installation of nine Victorian style lighting columns Coronation Park, Elizabeth Street, Corby for Corby Borough Council**

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**Background**

This application relates to the need to install sufficient lighting along the main pathway within Coronation Park.

Coronation Park is located in the centre of Corby and is bound by Elizabeth Road to the South and Cottingham Road to the North. The main pathway runs from Elizabeth Street, through the park and towards the pedestrian crossing on Cottingham Road.

This application is being brought to committee as Corby Borough Council is the applicant.

The application was originally submitted for four columns. The proposal was amended during the process of the planning application for the installation of nine light columns.

**Description**

This application seeks consent for the installation of nine light columns. The columns will be 5 metres in height and be painted black in a Victorian style so as to accord to the aesthetics of the park.

**Site History**

There is no relevant site history

**Policies**

Policy 8 of the North Northamptonshire Joint Core Strategy

National Planning Policy Framework

**Consultation**

**Northamptonshire Highways:** No comments received

**Northamptonshire Police:** No comments received

**Environmental Services:** No objection

**Advertisement/Representations**

**Site Notice** was posted on 11<sup>th</sup> October 2016. Following the amended proposal for 9 columns a new site notice was posted on 28<sup>th</sup> October 2016.

**No representations** have been received

**Report**

This application seeks consent for the installation of nine light columns. The columns will be 5 metres in height and be painted black in a Victorian style so as to accord to the aesthetics of the park.

The park suffers from anti social behaviour, partly due to the lack of adequate lighting which is a concern for park users, especially during the winter months. The application is brought forward to ensure that the main pathway through the park is safely illuminated.

The light columns will be evenly distributed along the pathway to provide an increased sense of security for all users of the park. It is hoped that the lighting will act as a deterrent for anti social behaviour.

The proposed light columns are deemed to be acceptable in terms of their height, design and impact upon the character and appearance of the park and the recommendation is to approve subject the condition below.

**Recommendation:**

**Approve subject to conditions**

The head of planning be authorised to issue approval upon expiry of the site notice subject to no adverse representations being received.

1. The development hereby permitted shall be commenced no later than three years from the date of this permission.

**Reason:** To comply with Section 91 (as amended) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

**Reason for Approval:**

The proposed development is considered to be an acceptable form of development in terms of its height, design and impact upon the character and appearance of Coronation Park. The proposal is considered to comply with Policy 8 of the North Northamptonshire Joint Core Strategy.

**Statement of Applicant Involvement:**

The application raised no significant planning concerns which required the involvement of the applicant.

**Officers to contact:**

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