

## **Statement by the Cabinet Portfolio Holder for Governance**

**17 April 2018**

### **Design and Maintenance**

As reported in my verbal statement to Council in February, Hambleton District Council (HDC) has already achieved some substantial savings in electricity consumption by changing over to the use of LEDs in our lighting over the Hambleton District. It has continued to be an issue which the officers at HDC have given much time and thought to, and so it was good news yesterday to hear that a £350,000 loan had been approved by Salex which will enable the remaining lights to be fitted with LEDs. This is a two year programme with a pay back of 5.3 years after which HDC will reap the full benefit of lower electricity bills.

Works are scheduled for the Civic Centre and these will include the ramp to be given an anti-slip surface shortly and the provision of 40 more car parking spaces are to be provided, easing the congestion around the leisure centre.

On the theme of Car Parking it cannot have escaped anyone's attention the problems in Northallerton on Crosby Road since the North Yorkshire police have relocated into the town, to ease the situation the Council has entered into a short term agreement with North Yorkshire Police for 100 parking permits to be provided in Crosby Road Car Park.

The provision of electricity via Market Bollards in Northallerton High Street for use by market traders has now been given to the contractors Ringway and we look forward to the eventual completion of this project.

### **Customer Services and Communications**

The Council uses the GovMetric system to measure customer satisfaction and out of the 75 local government authorities using this we achieved a first place in our web channel so we congratulate all those who helped achieve this.

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