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Retrospective Application

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Ashdown House

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Blewbury Parish Council **OBJECTS**

This retrospective application was **REFUSED** on 30th, August instant, since when 'blackout curtains' were fitted. The lights are switched on during all hours of darkness.

The lights remain *overdominant* and *intrusive*. The lights have proven to cause *disturbance to neighbours* due to *excessive over illumination*. The lights remain *a distraction to motorists and other road users*. The lights are clearly visible from some miles.

Whilst the applicant cites the need for security and access lighting, such remains and has shown to be *excessive*. Blewbury Parish Council respectfully requests that:

The lights be reduced in strength since they still exceed District Council guidelines. Also if granted, the permission will include:

- 1) The maximum bulb wattage
- 2) The 'blackout curtains be replaced with black plastic or other material which will not shatter
- 3) The use of lights be controlled by 'passive means' (PIR/motion sensor) and/or **NO** illumination after 10pm.

A number of villagers have expressed their deep concern whilst these lights have been in use. Blewbury has a long and well-established tradition and policy regarding street lighting. There is also a need to reduce energy consumption in the public interest.

Blewbury Parish Council **OBJECTS** to the application and requests that it be amended in order to meet the overwhelming public view, need and opinion.

Cllr. Mike Shread

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