**DRAFT POSITION STATEMENT ON DARK SKIES AND ARTIFICIAL LIGHT**

AGENDA ITEM 10

**Summary:** To present a draft position statement on Dark Skies and Artificial Light.

**Recommendation: That, subject to any agreed amendments, the draft Dark Skies and Artificial Light Position Statement is recommended to the Board for adoption.**

**Officer Ref:** Mark Connelly, Land Management Officer (01451 862006) and

 George Lambrick, Board Member

**Background**

1. The Board considered a report on Dark Night Skies at its meeting on 6th December 2018 and resolved that a Position Statement on Dark Skies and Artificial Light is prepared for adoption. The draft is attached as **Appendix ’A’**.

2. It is intended to provide guidance specific to the Cotswolds AONB when resources become available but as an interim measure the draft position statement is supported by guidance on artificial lighting from the Institute of Professional Lighting and the Commission for Dark Skies.

3. Following adoption by the Board, the position statement will be placed on the Board’s website and circulated to local authority partners, parish councils and parish meetings.

**Supporting Paper(s):**

**Appendix ‘A’ - Draft Position Statement on Dark Skies and Artificial light**