

21. ILLUMINATED MAST ON CAVE ROCK

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Members will recall the deputation at their last meeting from members of the Sumner Life Boat Institution and the concerns raised by Mr John Freeman.

The Institute requested that the Board bear the cost of continuing with these illuminations.

The Board decided to seek a report on the costs of installing the proposed lights in the mast on Cave Rock and how this proposal could be implemented. This report was sought for the next meeting with the request that possible alternatives also be traversed.

It was further requested that the report should cover the possibility of inviting the Sumner churches to contribute to the costs of carrying out this work.

The Sumner Lifeboat Institute members described at the meeting how they thought a new system of lighting could be installed and demonstrated the type of strip lighting they recommend.

The recommended lighting is estimated to cost \$3,000 plus installation. The Parks Unit advises it has no capital funds as all available funds are being directed to the erosion around the estuary at Moncks Bay.

The Parks Unit can undertake any minor works necessary to install the lights and, once installed they can maintain them.

The local churches wish to discuss the matter of contribution at their regular meeting which is on Tuesday 21 November, after this agenda went to print. Their discussion can be reported at the meeting. In a telephone conversation with the chairperson of this group, it was indicated that it would be highly unlikely that they could undertake such a project, given that they were fully committed to fundraising for the needy of their community and their parish activities.

This project may be subject to discussions with the Council's Heritage Planner and any issues will be forwarded to Board members.

The request from the Institute still stands however, that the Board fund the new lighting system.

**Recommendation:** That the Board fund replacement lighting on Cave Rock from their 2000/2001 Discretionary Funds.

**Chairman's Recommendation:** That the Board support this project from the 2000/01 discretionary fund.