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Energy efficient LED street lighting on the way for Towong Shire

Towong Shire Council will upgrade more than 300 street lights across the Shire from 9 February 2016 to energy efficient LED street lighting as part of the *Watts Working Better* project.

Council is pleased to join the *Watts Working Better* project as a collaborative partner with other Victorian Councils. Towong Shire Council Mayor, Cr David Wortmann said 'the project is expected to produce significant savings for Council through reduced electricity and maintenance costs'. He said street lighting represents the single largest source of greenhouse gas emissions and a large portion of utility costs for most Councils.

The new lights will consume up to 77% less power than those currently in place reducing greenhouse gas emission by more than 106,700 tonnes over the next 20 years.

Cr David Wortmann said 'There is unlikely to be any inconvenience to residents or businesses throughout the upgrade process.' No disruption to electricity supplies will occur as a result of the installation.

For more information on the Watts Working Better project go to www.wattsworkingbetter.com.au or follow it on Facebook at www.facebook.com/WattsWorkingBetter