## **Public Safety Lighting Assessment**

Ref No: 167-3-2024

For: The Environment Agency ground floor

The Hub Station Wellington Row

York

Prepared by: Mr. Richard Ball, MPlan

**Designing Out Crime Officer** 

Date: 2 April 2024

Contents

- 1. Introduction
- 2. Assessment
- 3. Advice and Recommendations

## 1. Introduction

- 1.1. This assessment and following advice and recommendations are in response to the following planning condition for a Recovery Hub community centre on Wellington Row (planning reference 24/00046/GRG3 refers).
- 1.2. Prior to the first use of the ground floor of the building as a Recovery Hub community centre an assessment of the external lighting of public areas to the west of Lendal Bridge around the bridge, Barker Tower and the City Wall shall be undertaken and submitted to the local planning authority for its written approval. The assessment shall identify any locations where the lighting requires improvement to address potential issues of anti-social behaviour or the fear of crime. Any improvements to the lighting shall be implemented prior to the first use of the ground floor of the building as a Recovery Hub community centre.

Reason: In the interests of public safety.

## 2. Assessment

2.1. The route from Barker Tower past the Boathouse and Esplanade Car Park to Scarborough Bridge has streetlamps. The luminaires produce a yellow light. Consequently, the colour rendition from these lamps is not as good as you get from modern white LED luminaires. Although the lighting here could be improved, it is still considered to be fit for purpose.



2.2. In contrast the bulkhead lights at Barkers Tower and underneath Lendal Bridge have what appear to be white LED luminaires. Although two of the lights under Lendal Bridge are not working, the lighting level here is considered to be very good.







2.3. The luminaires for the streetlights on Wellington Row at The Hub Station produce a yellow light. There is also ambient white light from the Avia Insurance building. As a consequence, the lighting level and colour rendition in this area is good.



## 3. Advice and Recommendations

3.1. In the interests of public safety, the City of York Council should <u>consider</u> updating the streetlighting from Barker Tower past the Boathouse and Esplanade Car Park to Scarborough Bridge by changing the yellow sodium luminaires to white LED. This can improve LUX levels and colour rendition, making this route look and feel safer.