

Councillor Question Time

Question from Cr Pearl

Councillor Pearl asked for an update on restoration of the heritage lamp on the corner of Lorne street at the rear of the Pullman Hotel?

Response

In August, 2020 this project was put on hold until COVID restrictions were lifted. An indicative timeline of 6-12 months from COVID restrictions lifting was estimated.

On-site inspections are necessary from a number of organisations including.

- Heritage Victoria
- CitiPower
- Structural Engineer with heritage expertise.

From the initial consultation with CitiPower, the pole will require significant modifications and upgrade if it was to become a decorative functioning light again.

Options being investigated are;

1. Remove existing pole and attempt to restore. Pole is fragile/brittle and this poses risk. Budget estimate has not been made. Awaiting assessment
2. Remove Pole and seek to make a mould so a new pole can be replicated with footings and connections modified. Officers are seeking to find a company with the capacity to undertake this work. No budget estimate has been made to date.
3. Leave current pole in situ and work with Heritage Victoria to preserve pole.

We are working through the various issues to find a way forward.

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