

	FULL COUNCIL
Committee	15 February 2021
Agenda Item	18

Congregation House Freehold Limited
C/O Garden Apartment One
Congregation House
Parsonage Street
Halstead
CO9 2JW

3 February 2021

Dear Sirs

I would be very grateful if you would consider putting this before Halstead Town Councillors for consideration.

Within Congregation House there are 7 apartments within the church and 2 other residences within the site.

We have a communal garden that is being used by undesirables at this moment in time, and Essex Police have kindly agreed to patrol our grounds on a regular basis. For this reason we would like to add additional lighting within the grounds of Congregation House.

Congregation House itself is a grade 2 listed building, therefore we would like to utilise an electric pole within the grounds. The pole provides electric to the old school house (24 Parsonage Street Halstead) and they have agreed they would be happy for a light to be placed on the pole. Residents/directors of Congregation House Freehold Limited (CHFL) have contacted the correct authorities and there has been an email exchange between CHFL and Chris.Lawrence@ukpowernetworks.co.uk who has said that they would not consider us for an agreement the same as they have with a Council. Whilst I appreciate their decision, it does not help us solve the problem we are having at this moment in time. The owners of the apartments also own the lease, therefore we are our own management company.

We would like to increase the lighting on safety grounds and ask if Halstead Town Council at no expense to themselves would consider entering into the agreement with UK Power on our behalf.

On the plan below where it is marked 1, this is where Halstead Town Council already have a parish light, where it is marked 2 is where we would like to install another light.

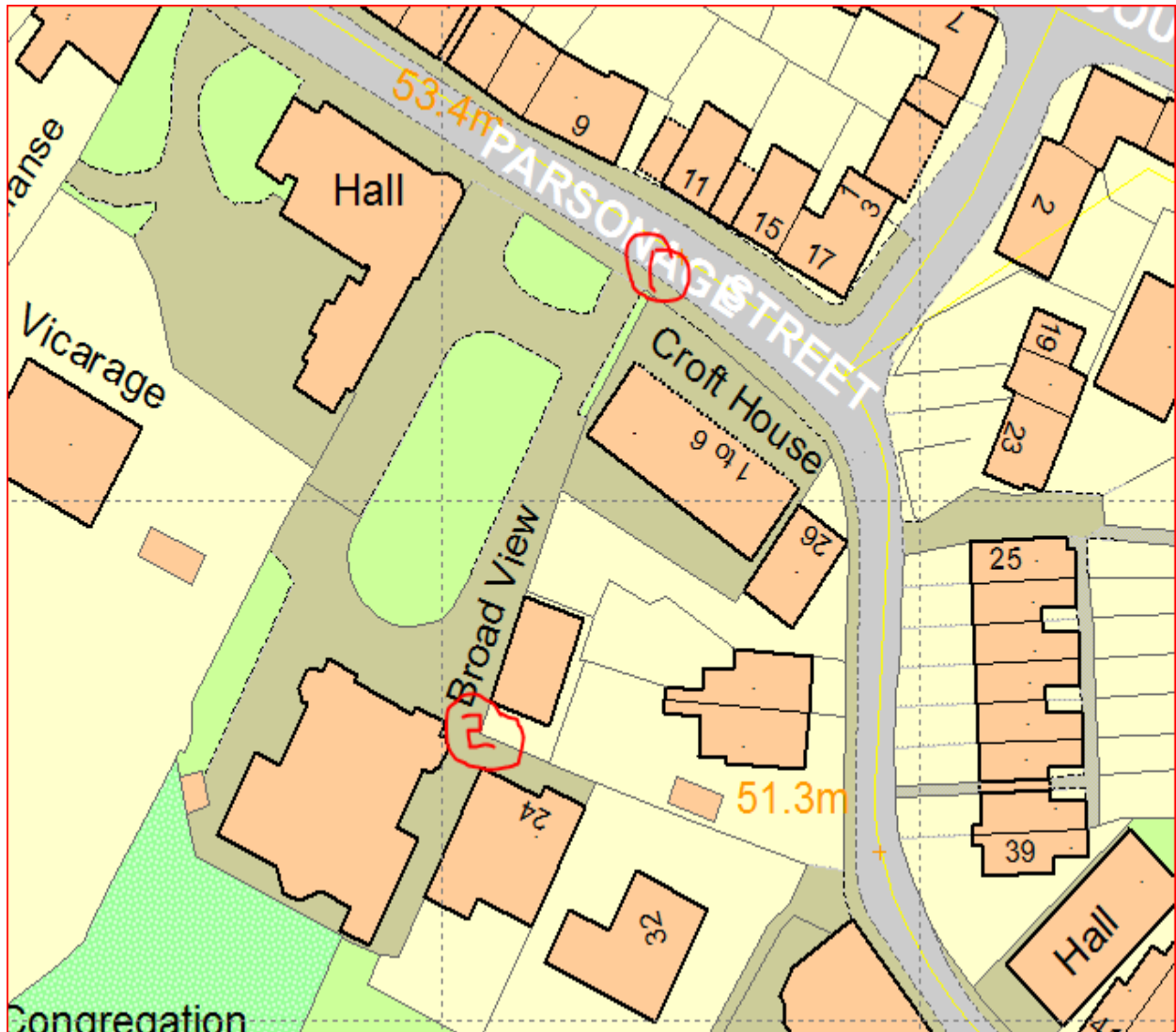
We were unable to obtain costs of placing a light on the post, or how much is paid each year for the electric that a parish light would use, therefore if you have any knowledge of this that you could share with us it would be appreciated as we would need to know these before we can proceed if you are in agreement.

We would like to thank you for taking the time to consider this request and look forward to hearing from you at your earliest convenience.

In the meantime, if you have any questions or queries please do not hesitate to contact us on CongregationHouseFreeholdLtd@gmail.com

Regards

On behalf of the directors of CHFL



Recommendation: that HTC agrees to assist Congregation House in getting the off street light connected.

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Town Clerk