Short Report on the ADEPT Lighting Group meeting held on 4th June 2019.

This was the first meeting under the chairmanship of Keith Tovee who replaced the previous chairman Dave Johnson.

The first item was a presentation by Peter Harrison, the Technical Director for the ILP. His subject was the forthcoming publication of the document titled 'Asset Management Toolkit for Minor Structures' which is a joint publication from ILP, ADEPT, HEA, UKLB, TfL and IET.

The document replaces TR22, which is the former guidance document that dealt with lighting column replacement, and deals in detail with the lifecycle of the asset (lighting columns and traffic signs). To assist in the publication two workshops were held in Leeds and London.

The document is an important piece of ammunition for the lighting manager/asset manager in helping to determine the state of the asset and when planned intervention is likely to be required.

Discussion topics included the effect of embellishment kits which were used particularly in town and city centres and views would need to be sought in cases of PFI on how the service provider may see the new regime.

Peter Harrison noted that the document was not regulatory and that it does not have to be adopted.

Other items under discussion included the membership representation on the committee particularly from Scotland and Wales. This was to be discussed at the UKLB meeting on the 6th.

Regional reports once again highlighted problems with some DNO's and the group was made aware of a situation where the installation of some lighting columns had seen the columns roots reduced in length and where the cable entry slot had been widened, both of which caused the column strength to be affected..