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**UPPER
BROOKVILLE****Village wins clean
energy designation**

Upper Brookville recently became the first village on Long Island designated a Clean Energy Community by the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority.

The designation makes the North Shore village eligible for up to \$100,000 in state grants for further clean energy initiatives.

Municipalities earn the designations by completing four of 10 actions that the authority describes as “high-impact.” Upper Brookville’s actions included streamlining the approval process for local solar projects and converting more than half its streetlights to energy-efficient LED lighting.

Mayor Elliot Conway said the village is applying for a state grant to convert the rest of its streetlights to LED, using an “elegant” vintage design for some of them. Conway said the lights reduce the village’s electricity bills and last far longer, which cuts maintenance and replacement costs.

John Rhodes, the authority’s president and CEO, said in a statement that Upper Brookville is “helping to lead the way for other communities on Long Island and across the state in advancing Governor Cuomo’s REV [Reforming the Energy Vision] strategy and ensuring a cleaner, more resilient and affordable energy future for all New Yorkers.”

The only Long Island municipalities to receive the designation before Upper Brookville are all towns, an authority spokesman said: Brookhaven, East Hampton, Hempstead, Huntington, Smithtown and Southold

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