



CITY OF ELY COUNCIL
CHRISTMAS LIGHTS COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF A MEETING
HELD ON MONDAY 30TH APRIL 2018 AT 6.30PM

PRESENT: Mrs S Jay – Deputy Clerk to the Council
Cllr M Rouse Cllr I Lindsay Cllr A Arnold Cllr J Yates
Mr M Chinery-Colyer Mr J Dennick Mr I Newstead

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Cllrs Hobbs, Every and Warman.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were received.

3. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING (HELD ON 30TH JANUARY 2018) & MATTERS ARISING

Minutes of the Christmas Lights Committee meeting held on the 30th January 2018, were agreed and signed as a true record, CL 157 & CL 158 refer

CL 157 – Item 6, Cllr Arnold reported she had received an email from Spotted in Ely advising they are not in a position to work with the Council for this year's Switch on Event. This was noted by members.

CL158 – Item 8, A quote is still awaited from Balfour Beatty regarding the installation of sockets on lamp posts. Mr Chinery-Colyer reported that he needs to identify which lamp posts these will be for, and also the lights that will be erected on them. Balfour Beatty will then be advised of this information.

4. BUDGET UPDATE

Members noted the budget update, dated 30th April 2018. There were no significant variances.

5. HEALTH AND SAFETY ISSUES

There were no health and safety issues to report.

6. TO RECEIVE UPDATE FROM SWITCH ON GROUP

Mr Chinery-Colyer reported it will be necessary to purchase replacement catenary wire. He will be meeting with the Estates Manager to 'PAT' test the lights. The dates for erecting the lights will be 27th & 28th October, 3rd & 4th November, 17th & 18th November, 24th & 25th November 2018. They will be taken down on the 12th & 13th January 2019.

7. TO RECEIVE UPDATE FROM LIGHTING GROUP

Mr Newstead requested clarity for the market stall pricing. This was agreed at £30.00 for a Charity and £40.00 for a business. These prices are the same for all locations. Several offers of sponsorship have been received. A proposal for Radio coverage will be brought to the next meeting.

The Hereward Rotary Club will run the grotto.

8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

Cllr Arnold requested ideas to be brought to the next meeting for the Christmas tree lights and best dressed window competitions.

9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Monday 11th June 2018 at 6.30pm.