

**CYNGOR TREF, CONWY TOWN COUNCIL**  
**GUILDHALL, CONWY.**  
**MINUTES OF THE CHRISTMAS COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**HELD ON MONDAY 24<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2020**

**PRESENT: Councillors – G Edwards (Mayor), B Chapman, V Macdonald, S Cotton, P Hart, T James, J Vaughan (Vice Chair), E Leighton-Jones (Deputy Mayor), S Barber-Bailey, G Willetts, M Craven, C Ryan (Chair), C Parry.**

**IN ATTENDANCE: Town Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer – Mrs Natasha Flint;  
Deputy Town Clerk – Mrs Rachel Lees**

**APOLOGIES: Councillors – J Rooney, M Priestley, E Roberts, H Roberts**

**Declarations of Interest – Code of Local Government Conduct:**

Meeting 24/2/20 – Councillors P Hart and T James are married.

**1. Christmas Lights Report**

Members received the Christmas Lights Report as Scheduled.

The Town Clerk informed Members that the additional cost for the full installation and power supply for the tree in Gyffin will be £2162.26 plus VAT. The Town Clerk informed Members that if they were to light up the additional 2 trees on the weekly news roundabout then the full cost for installation and power supply would be £1136 plus VAT per tree. Members were in support of the tree in Gyffin provided the location is looked at and agreed by all parties.

The Town Clerk informed Members that the installation costs for the tree in Gyffin and the 2 trees on the roundabout have been earmarked in the 2020/21 Budget. Reserves for Christmas Lights is £9000.00.

Members asked that the Town Clerk ask the surrounding supermarkets if they would consider sponsorship of the tree on the roundabout.

**2. Christmas Lights Quotes**

Members received 3 quotes for the Christmas lights, from LITE, Festive Lighting and Blanchere, this was for the motifs. The Town Clerk had chosen similar motifs from each company to get a similar quote from each.

RESOLVED that:

- the quote from Festive Lighting is accepted for a 3/4-year contract.
- 2 Members from each ward come in to look at the motifs with the Town Clerk and the decisions to be put on the agenda for the meeting to be held on the 16<sup>th</sup> March 2020.

*The Mayor and Councillor B Chapman left the meeting at this juncture.*

Members received 2 quotes for spheres, festoon lighting and lights on the trees. It was suggested to invite Mr R Wilson to a meeting to give members additional information of what exactly would be needed for the trees.

RESOLVED that the quotes are deferred until Mr R Wilson comes in.

**3. Christmas Lights installation Quotes**

The Town Clerk informed Members that all light installation companies had received the Lights specification to enable them to quote for the job. Members received quotes from Bebbington and Wilson, City Illuminations and Blanchere Illumination UK Ltd.

RESOLVED that the quote from Bebbington & Wilson is accepted for a 3-year contract.

**4. Christmas Trees**

Members discussed planting live trees in the Community, at the Marl Gardens, Tan Y Fron and Gyffin sites.

Members asked that the trees in Lancaster Square and Conwy Castle bank are larger and fuller/bushier this year.

RESOLVED that the Town Clerk explore the possibility of having live trees in the community and speaks to Tree Wise men regarding the trees in Conwy.

**5. Christmas Eve Event**

The agenda item was deferred to the next Christmas Committee Meeting.

**6. Llandudno Junction & Deganwy Events**

Members discussed both events. The Deputy Town Clerk read the suggestions from the de-brief meeting held in January. The suggestions were discussed for both communities. The idea of a Christmas

Party in the Memorial hall was suggested with traditional party games and gifts for the Children from Father Christmas. It was suggested to keep the carol singing in Deganwy but to move the event back to the village.

RESOLVED that:

- the Deganwy Carol singing Event is moved to the village and further details will be discussed at the next Christmas Committee Meeting.
- A Christmas Party in the Memorial Hall replaces the carol singing in Llandudno Junction this year.

**There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 7:54pm**