



CITY OF ELY COUNCIL
CHRISTMAS LIGHTS COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF A MEETING
HELD ON MONDAY 17TH NOVEMBER 2014 AT 6.30 PM

PRESENT:

The Mayor – Cllr E Every
Cllr I Lindsay
Mr J Dennick

Cllr J Yates
Cllr Arnold.

Cllr R Hobbs
Mr I Newstead

Cllr S Pittock
Mr M Chinery-Colyer

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Cllr E Griffin-Singh.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary & other interests, from Councillors as per standing order 83 b

No interests were received.

3. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING & MATTERS ARISING

Minutes of the Christmas Lights Committee meeting held on the 15th September 2014, were agreed and signed as a true record. CL 119 and 120 refer.

There were no matters arising.

4. BUDGET UPDATE

Members noted the budget dated 11th November 2014. The Assistant Clerk informed members that the expenditure will exceed the set budget, due to the costs associated with the need to acquire storage for the Christmas lights and also the requirement to carry out anchor point testing.

5. TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE FROM THE LIGHTING GROUP

Mr Chinery-Colyer advised that the lights have all been put up and the team have finished a weekend early. The feature that is being made from ping pong balls will be put up within the next week.

He advised members that the help received has been excellent, with many volunteers being civil engineers.

The Mayor advised there will be a thank you event for everyone that volunteers for the Council on 20th January 2014 at the Maltings.

The lights will be switched on at 7pm on 28th November 2014

6. STORAGE

The Assistant Clerk reported that notification had been received from ECDC to remove the lights from their current storage, by the end of December. A temporary solution to this problem is to hire 2 self store containers, at a cost of £83 per month each. Members unanimously agreed to this.

7. TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE FROM THE SWITCH ON GROUP.

Mr Newstead reported that everything is in place for the switch on evening.

8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There was no any other business.

9. DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

19th January 2015 at 6.30pm, 16th March at 6.30pm and 29th June 2014 at 6.30pm.