

**CLEVEDON TOWN COUNCIL**  
**SUB-COMMITTEE FOR THE CLEVEDON TRIANGLE CHRISTMAS LIGHTS 2015/16**

**Report to the Town Events & Amenities Committee of the meeting held on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March at 9.30 am in the Baptist Church, Station Road.**

PRESENT: Cllr C Francis-Pester, Cllr B Hatch, Cllr L Knott, Cllr N Pennycott, Cllr A Shopland, Nigel Shepherd – WGS Light Contractor, Fenella Beesley - Morrisons, Paul Anslow – Chamber of Trade & Neil Redwood – Clevedon Baptist Church

**CHL/15/9 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest made at the meeting.

**CHL/15/10 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies received from LaSalle

**CHL/15/11 MINUTES OF THE LAST SUB COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 12 MARCH 2015**

The Minutes were **AGREED** as correct.

**CHL/15/12 TO CONSIDER**

**12.1 IDEAS FOR REPLACEMENT CHRISTMAS LIGHTING FOR THE QUEENS SQUARE/STATION ROAD AREA OF THE TOWN**

The Town Council have been advised that a planning application is being submitted by the company that owns the building for the removal of the canopy around the Square.

The Committee discussed installing the icicle lights from Morrisons to Boots and also from WHSmiths to Coffee 1. Also to have a zig zag of lights from Coffee 1 to CM3 that would then tie in with the lights that are installed on Old Church Road. Suggestions were made to have strings of lights covering the tree by the Memorial stone. There are already lights in the large tree in the centre of the Queens Square. To also use the battery powered lights in the smaller trees surrounding the perimeter of the Square.

**12.2 PERMISSIONS REQUIRED**

The Town Council would need to seek permission from WHSmith for the support network to enable a connection into the Town Council supply. Also, to contact the Landlord for the residential properties in Station Road, Morrisons and LaSalle for fixings to their properties. The Baptist Church advised the lights could rest on their canopy or steel work.

**12.3 FIXINGS AND ELECTRICITY SUPPLY**

The Town Council's light contractor to investigate and provide a report to the Committee as to what fixings are required and the electricity supply needed.

**CHL/15/13 TO CONSIDER IDEAS FOR THE SWITCH ON EVENT**

The Committee felt it would be better to have the switch on Saturday 28 November 2015 from 4.00pm. The lights could be switched on at 5.00pm. Local groups; Salvation Army, schools, dance group, Living Spit Theatre group to be invited to this event. Also the possibility of having a Father Christmas and a snow machine.

North Somerset Council is restricting the number of temporary event licences on the Queens Square, so the Committee will need to apply for one now.

The Baptist Church has a sound system that can be used for the switch on.

The Committee will also need to decide on a Chaplain for the switch on. This will need to be after the Elections in May 2015 and who the next Chairman of Council will be.

**CHL/15/14 OTHER POSSIBLE SOURCES OF FUNDING**

The Committee to produce a contact list of Traders, the Chamber of Trade may be able to assist . Also to produce a programme of events with contributors to the Christmas lights listed on the back of the programme.

**CHL/15/15 CHAIRMAN’S ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

There were no items raised.

**CHL/15/16 DATE OF NEXT MEETING** – To be advised.

The meeting finished at 10.15am

APPROVED AS A TRUE RECORD

CHAIRMAN:..... DATE: .....