



Andover Town Council

To consider Christmas Lights Update Report

Item
No.
18b

Produced for: Full Council

By: Deputy Clerk

Date of Report: 15 Nov 2023

Installation Update:

Christmas Tree fencing; was delivered and installed successfully at 4.30pm on Thursday 9th November, in attendance Tor Warburton, Deputy Clerk.

Christmas Tree: Was delivered successfully at 10pm on Thursday 9th November – in attendance Tor Warburton, Deputy Clerk, Cllrs K Bird, H Neate, J Cockaday and J Hughes.

Christmas Lights: Were successfully installed on the night of Sunday 12th November – in attendance Tor Warburton, Deputy Clerk (from midnight Micha Young, Committee Officer) Cllrs T Reynolds, R Hughes and J Hughes. The installation continued the following day with Tor Warburton, Deputy Clerk and Cllrs J Cockaday and J Hughes in attendance.

Christmas Festival:

4pm- 8pm Friday 17 November.

Councillor Volunteers confirmed:

Cllr S Hardstaff – 3pm – close

Cllr J Cockaday – 3pm – close

Cllr M Farren – liaising with Bid directly

Cllr K Bird – 4pm – 7pm

Cllr J Hughes – 3pm – close

Cllr R Hughes – 6pm to switch on the lights (report to backstage at 5.45pm please)

Delegated Officer:

Tor Warburton – 3pm – 6.30pm (depending when lights are switched on).

For those volunteering and are able to make it, there is an event briefing at 3pm in the Upper Guildhall.

The event starts at 4pm with the Christmas Lights being switched on by the **Town Mayor (Cllr R Hughes)** ably assisted by Father Christmas **at 6pm.**

Christmas Lights extension.

The extension has now been mapped on Parish online and all of the available/approved columns are marked on the attached map.

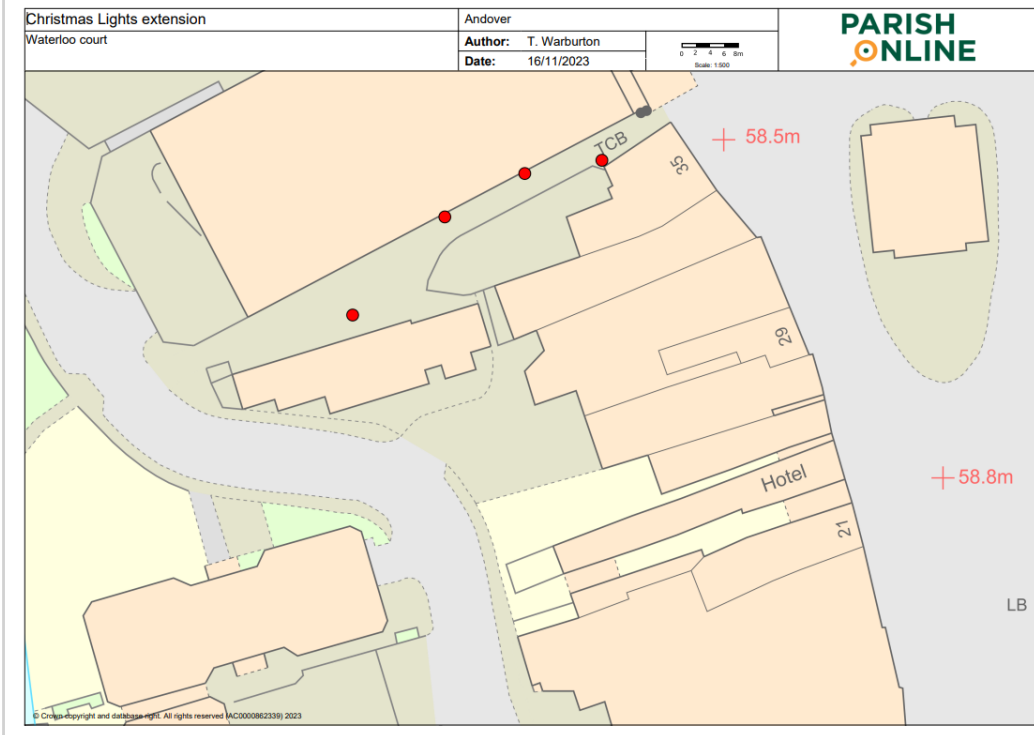
Of the available columns the recommended ones are the central ones in both car parks (Black Swan Yard and George Yard) and Waterloo Court going towards the Town Mills pocket park. This will provide a consistent expansion to the lights which will bring together the High Street and the immediate surrounding areas.

This will increase the Christmas Lights provision by 20 columns at an indicative cost of £6,080 (costs based on £304 per column quoted in January 2023). Money was agreed to be taken from CiL funds.

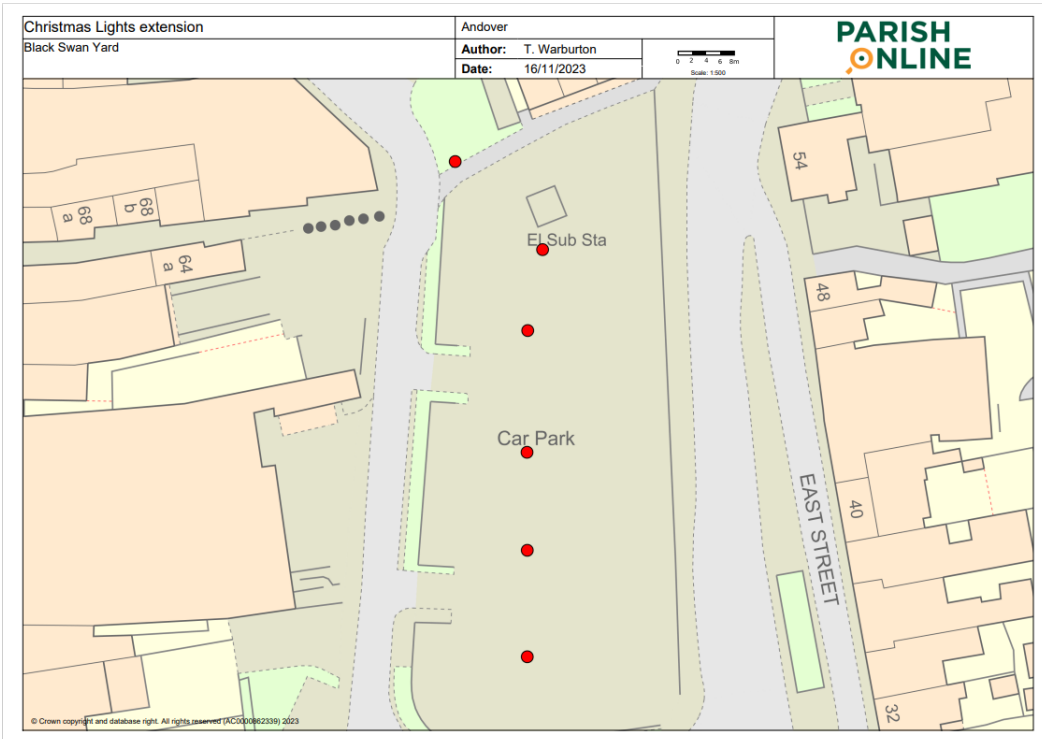
Recommendations:

- To note report
- To approve the marked columns for the extension. To note that SSE will then be instructed to install the Commando sockets as previously agreed at Full Council (C146/02/23).
- To note that a tender document for the extension will be brought to Full Council on 6 December for approval.

Waterloo Court - proposed extension



Black Swan Yard - proposed extension



George Yard - proposed extension

