



Andover Town Council

Item No.

To **review** and **consider** a Christmas Lights extension schedule, with costs.

To **approve** recommendation to Full Council.

To: C&E Committee

By: Acting Town Clerk

Date of Report: 14/2/2005

Background:

At the Community and Events Committee meeting on 30 January 2025, Officers were tasked with investigating and reporting on a Christmas Lights extension schedule for review at the next Community and Events Committee meeting on 27 February 2025 (CE 081/01/25)

Currently the cost per year for the hire, storage, installation and removal of the Christmas Lights provision is £31,721.20 for each year for a 4 year contract. Our current contract started in 2024/2025, Christmas 2025 would be the second year of the contract.

Andover Town Council has the power to undertake this work either by the General Power of Competence or LGA 1972 under entertainment and the arts or tourism.

Expenditure would help to make Andover a welcoming, safe and well cared for town by extending the Christmas lights display and providing safer, more secure fencing

1. Help make Andover a welcoming, safe, and well cared for town

Actions	2025-26	2026-27
1.1 Christmas tree and lights	Extend the Christmas lights display Purchase new fencing for the Christmas tree.	Further extend the Christmas lights display

Extension - timeline

2025/2026 - hire, storage, installation and removal - £8,811.18

Total Cost including proposed extension for Year 2 of contract - £31,721.20 + £8,811.18 = £40,532.38

2025-2026	22 Columns
For Christmas 2025	
Western Avenue	45
Western Avenue	46
Western Avenue loop	48
Western Avenue loop	47
Town Station Roundabout	12
Town Station Roundabout	13
Town Station Roundabout	11
Town Station Roundabout	9
Town Station Roundabout	13a
Town Station Roundabout	10
Western Avenue	8
Western Avenue	8a
Western Avenue	7
Western Avenue	6
Western Avenue	5
Western Avenue	4
Western Avenue	2

Western Avenue	1
The Lamb Roundabout	4
The Lamb Roundabout	3
The Lamb Roundabout	2
The Lamb Roundabout	1

Optional for 2025/2026

Optional	10 Columns
Eastern Avenue	10
Eastern Avenue	9
Eastern Avenue	8
Eastern Avenue	7
Eastern Avenue	6
Eastern Avenue	5
Eastern Avenue	4
Eastern Avenue	3
Eastern Avenue	2
Eastern Avenue	1

2025/2026 - hire, storage, installation and removal - £8,811.18+ £3,747.00 (with optional additions)

Total Cost including proposed extension for Year 2 of contract - £40,532.38+ £3,747.00 = £44,279.38

2026/2027 - hire, storage, installation and removal = £12,396.80

2026-2027	26 Columns
For Christmas 2026	
East Street	1
Vigo Road Roundabout	12
Vigo Road Roundabout	10
Vigo Road Roundabout	9
New Street	19
New Street	18
New Street	17
New Street	16
New Street	15
New Street	14
New Street	13
New Street	12
New Street	11
New Street	10
New Street	9
New Street	8
New Street	7
New Street	6
New Street	5
New Street	4
New Street	3
New Street	2
New Street	1
Blacksmiths Roundabout	4
Blacksmiths Roundabout	5
Blacksmiths Roundabout	1

Total Cost including proposed extension for Year 2 + Year 3 of contract (with all extensions) - £44,279.38 + £12,396.80 = **£56,676.18 (£52,929.18 without optional)**

2027/2028 - hire, storage, installation and removal = £13,897.80

2027-2028	21 Columns
For Christmas 2027	
Enham Arch Roundabout	5
Enham Arch Roundabout	6
Northern Avenue	19
Northern Avenue	18
Northern Avenue	17
Northern Avenue	16
Northern Avenue	15
Northern Avenue	14
Northern Avenue	13
Northern Avenue	12
Northern Avenue	11
Northern Avenue	10
Northern Avenue	9
Northern Avenue	8
Northern Avenue	7
Northern Avenue	6
Northern Avenue	5
Northern Avenue	4
Northern Avenue	3
Northern Avenue	2
Northern Avenue	1

Total Cost including proposed extension for Year 2 + Year 3 + Year 4 of contract (with all extensions) - £56,676.18+ £13,897.80= **£70,573.98 (£66,826.98 without optional)**

Conclusion

	Year 1 2024/2025	Year 2 2025/2026	Year 3 2026/2027	Year 4 2027/2028	Total
Current contract with no extension	£31,721.20	£31,721.20	£31,721.20	£31,721.20	£126,884.80
With all extensions	£31,721.20	£44,279.38	£56,676.18	£70,573.98	£203,250.74
With all extensions (not opt from Yr 2)	£31,721.20	£40,532.38	£52,929.18	£66,826.98	£192,009.74
Additional Costs to consider		Tree:	£4180		
		Fencing: circa	£1400		
		Commando socket installation:	Circa £583 per column Full extension = £46,042.27		
		Structural Survey	£60 per column (69x60) £4140.00 + 4200 (for existing columns) = £8340 every 5 years		

