



Name of Budget Saving	Review Christmas light funding
Department and service area	Land & Countryside Services
Completion Date	3 October 2016
Lead officer	Ricky Moffat

Aims and Objectives

The aim is to review spend on the supply, erection and dismantling of Christmas Lights, with an emphasis on increasing community involvement.

1. Does the proposed budget saving affect people? Yes

2. What is/are the reason(s) for your proposed budget saving?

The budget saving is put forward to meet the Council's overall budget deficit.

3. Impact

Which of the protected characteristics* will the proposed budget saving have an impact upon?

Equality Target Group*	Positive Impact	Negative Impact	Relevant evidence/ information
Age		There will be less support to supply, erect and dismantle Xmas lights	Communities can take on greater responsibility
Disability			
Gender Reassignment			
Marriage & Civil Partnership			
Pregnancy and maternity		There will be less support to supply, erect and dismantle Xmas lights	Communities can take on greater responsibility
Race			
Religion or Belief			
Sex			
Sexual Orientation			

4. How will the implementation of the proposed budget saving be communicated to those affected by any changes?

A final decision will be taken by Council and this information be made available thereafter in writing or alternative formats as required to the affected communities.

5. How will you monitor the impact of the changes proposed? When is the budget due to be reviewed?

Support and advice will continue to be given to communities to ascertain how they can continue with Christmas lighting.

6. Please use the space below to detail any other matters arising from the Equality Impact Assessment (EqIA) process.

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