

Response to Request for Information

Reference FOI 000618

Date 18 November 2016

Christmas Lights Event 2016

Request:

Did your local authority have a Christmas lights switch on or similar event in 2016?

If no, then no further questions apply. If yes, then please confirm the following:

- 1) Who did the switch on?
- 2) Were they paid a fee to do so? If more than one, please provide a breakdown.
- 3) Were expenses paid, either in addition to any fee or instead of? If so, please provide a breakdown of these.

In answer to your above questions, please see our response below:

Wolverhampton – Wednesday 23 November 2016 Switch on by The Mayor of Wolverhampton, Boj, Doreen Tipton, Father Christmas and Wolves Players – Danny Batth and Carl Ikeme The only one paid a fee was for Boj (£1295 + VAT). No expenses paid to anyone

Wednesfield – Thursday 24 November 2016 Switch on by The Mayor of Wolverhampton and Father Christmas No fees or expenses paid

Bilston – Friday 25 November 2016 Switch on by The Mayor of Wolverhampton and Father Christmas No fees or expenses paid

Tettenhall – Saturday 26 November 2016 Switch on by The Mayor of Wolverhampton and Father Christmas No fees or expenses paid

Bantock – Sunday 27 November 2016 Switch on by The Mayor of Wolverhampton and Father Christmas No fees or expenses paid