



Response to Request for Information

Reference FOI 001665
Date 07 November 2017

Christmas Lights Switch On

Request:

Under the Freedom of Information Act, please supply the following information:

- 1) Has or will your local authority have a Christmas lights switch on or similar event in October, November or December 2017?

If no, then no further questions apply.

If yes, then please confirm the following:

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

For the avoidance of doubt this FOI enquiry is about Christmas light switch on events in the run-up to Christmas 2017.

In response to your request, please find our response below:

Wolverhampton – Wednesday 22 November 2017

Switch on by The Mayor of Wolverhampton, The Gruffalo, Father Christmas, Panto Stars (Ian Adams and Adam C Booth) and British Citizen Youth Award winner Louis Johnson.

The only one to be paid a fee will be The Gruffalo - £1,295

No expenses paid to anyone

Wednesfield – Thursday 23 November 2017

Switch on by The Mayor of Wolverhampton, Father Christmas and Miss Black Country

No fees or expenses paid

Tettenhall – Saturday 25 November 2017

Switch on by The Mayor of Wolverhampton, Father Christmas, British Citizen Youth Award winner Louis Johnson and Miss Black Country

No fees or expenses paid

Bantock – Sunday 26 November 2017

Switch on by The Mayor of Wolverhampton, Father Christmas and Miss Black Country

No fees or expenses paid

Bilston – Friday 1 December 2017

Switch on by The Mayor of Wolverhampton, Father Christmas and Miss Black Country

No fees or expenses paid

Northcote – Saturday 2 December 2017

Switch on by The Mayor of Wolverhampton, Father Christmas and Miss Black Country

No fees or expenses paid