

Report No 3

Report to Town Hall & Facilities Committee 6th March 2019

Year round illumination of the Market Cross

1. Purpose of report

- 1.1 To consider if the Town Council will illuminate the Market Cross all year round.
- 1.2 To notify the Committee of the implications of illuminating the Market Cross all year round
- 1.3 If agreed, to allocate a budget

2. Background

- 2.1 For the last two Christmas's the Market Cross has been lit up with seasonal lighting in the evenings.
- 2.2 Many residents have complimented the Town Council on the effect that is given by the lighting at Christmas time
- 2.3 It was suggested by a member of the Community & Town Promotion Committee that the Market Cross could be illuminated all year round with the possibility of changing colours for different events.
- 2.4 Not all lamps that 'spotlight' the Market Cross are functioning & it may not be possible to replace the existing lamps.

3. Financial implications and risks

- 3.1 One quote has been received in the region of £900 to install the necessary equipment and for 4 different coloured lamps, subsequent years will be less expensive as it will only require the changing of bulbs.
- 3.2 Wiltshire Council will need to confirm that the street lamp nearest the Market Cross is capable of being used as the supply donor lamp.
- 3.3 A fee will be charged by the electricity company.

4. Recommendation

- 4.1 The Committee is requested to determine whether or not it wishes to pursue the idea to illuminate the Market Cross all year round and to advise staff on a course of action.