

## **Helensburgh Christmas lights 2017**

### **A Spectacular Success.**



### **End of project report.**

Helensburgh Festive Lighting Charitable Trust accepted total project management responsibility for Helensburgh's Christmas lights in 2017 and successfully applied for £20,000 of Argyll and Bute Council's local budget to facilitate the project.

The Trust offered to provide another Christmas light spectacle from November 2017 to January 2018 in Helensburgh town centre on a historical basis. This year the town display consisted of 163 features, 16 living trees in Colquhoun Square and the decoration of the temporary Christmas tree.

The Trust undertook the PAT testing, erection and maintenance of all of the infrastructure and ongoing maintenance until Christmas Eve as well as the removal of all fittings after Twelfth Night, the repair/replacement of damaged stock and the testing and secure storage of all fittings in the "grotto" (three containers purchased by the Trust) for the 2018 festive season.

The project was completed in line with the formal agreement with Argyll and Bute Council and the contract was delivered on time and on budget. In addition to the financial resource provided in the form of the grant, the Trustees donated 782 hours of voluntary labour for planning, administration, repairs, project management, physical input and maintenance.

Feedback from the community and local businesses confirms that the Christmas lights are greatly appreciated, provide significant economic benefit and enhance the town over the festive period. The Trustees have received many messages of appreciation and thanks for their efforts in undertaking this significant project for the town.

Helensburgh Festive Lighting Charitable Trust is recognised Scottish Charity No SC034029. Company number 222523.

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