



# 2018 Carnon Downs Christmas Lights



# Brief History

- ▶ In 2017, a group of likeminded villagers got together to form the Carnon Downs Community Association (CDCA) with a view to raising money to provide the village with a Christmas Tree.
- ▶ In 2017, CDCA applied for the Your Choice Parish Council funding to be able to provide the Village with a Christmas Tree. We then spent 7 months fundraising with an aim to provide the Christmas Tree and hopefully some lights within Forth Coth.
- ▶ We were overwhelmed with the support of the community and local businesses and as a result we were able to provide a village Christmas Tree and decorated Forth Coth as a winter wonderland and put on a memorable Grand Switch on for the village.
- ▶ Since then we have secured further funding from the Tesco Bags for Life to help towards our 2018 campaign, have been busy taking over the management of the Village Monthly Market and have planned a number of other fundraising events throughout 2018.



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# What do we have in store for 2018



- ▶ The Carnon Downs Community Association (CDCA) are applying not just for funding from Feock Parish Council but also from other sources.
- ▶ We are hosting a number of community events through the year to raise money towards the 2018 Christmas Lights.
- ▶ Our plan is to extend where we can provide lights, so not just localised to Forth Coth.
- ▶ We are looking to have made customised Christmas Lights specific to Carnon Downs.





# The fun part.... The Grand Switch on

- ▶ I am sure a lot of you attended our Grand Switch on last year and I am sure you will agree, it was well attended and it really brought the community together.
- ▶ This year, we have planned bigger and better things, but in order to do this, one of our highest costs will be a temporary road closure (for Health and Safety reasons) hence our big fundraising campaigns
- ▶ We propose to have Santas Grotto, the mini Christmas market, refreshments and more on the night.



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# The future

- ▶ 2017 was the start of putting the CDCA's visions into reality with the tree and a number of lights in Forth Coth.
- ▶ 2018 will see us extend our lights further out of the village.
- ▶ We are asking for funding to help to pay towards new custom made lights for the village, similar to that shown on the right hand side. Ideally we would like at least 2 x Welcome to Carnon Downs signs to place at entrances to the village.
- ▶ To encourage residents to help us with the displays by creating their own. CDCA can then create a trail map with all the households taking part and a best decorated house competition as voted by the residents and visitors to the village.
- ▶ To put Carnon Downs on the map of places to visit at Christmas for their lights display

