

MULLION CHRISTMAS LIGHTS – PARISH MEETING May 2021

A difficult year and not just due to Covid-19. For many years we have used the garage at Christophers as storage and a base for putting up the lights. With the closure of Christophers our immediate problem was storage, but the Parish Council came to our aid and we moved everything into the Chapel of Rest. Thank you Sam! The Mullion Heritage Society also came to our aid and we were able to use their facilities as a base for our operations. Financially we impacted by Covid-19 as the Mounts Bay quiz nights could not be held. In previous years, donations from the raffle have amounted to over £1000, which we didn't get in 2020.

Nevertheless we mounted an improved display with additional properties added in Nansmellyon Road and a second 'big' tree by The Forge. This was in memory of "Lively" George as Toni had made a generous donation. Hopefully we will be able to continue with this in 2021. We appreciate the co-operation of everybody in Mullion in letting us put lights and trees on their property. In 2020 we had to move the Christmas Tree in the middle of the village to avoid inconveniencing the SPAR deliveries, but on the whole everybody liked the new position. It's worth saying that actually the normal location of the tree is outside of the SPAR boundary and therefore we could have put it there, but decided to move it to avoid any sort of dispute.

We could not hold the usual switch on due to Covid-19, but I think everybody really enjoyed the display.

We also need to thank John Mitchell for collecting our trees and the Parish Council for the donation towards our insurance.

Of course, the unexpected highlight of the year was the Christmas Lights Team was getting the Mullion "Person" of the Year award. Thank you very much.