**MARSTON PARISH COUNCIL**

**Risk Assessment – Christmas Lights and Christmas Tree method statement**

The purpose of this Risk Assessment is to determine any potential risks and to explain how those risks are mitigated. Risks are assessed by the impact of the risk, if it were to occur, and the probability of it occurring. Risks will be mitigated where possible; any residual risk will be deemed to be so low as to be risk-accepted. The Method statement is set out below.

**Christmas Lights:** These are commercial waterproof outdoor Christmas Tree lights connected by 240v mains extension cable to a private supply on private property. The extension cable is protected by a single socket RCD adapter at the domestic power socket. The connection of the lights to the extension cable is on private property and is inaccessible to the public and protected from water and wet weather with a water resistant covering. The cable is run out from the property across the Common Land held up on road pins.

**Christmas Tree:** This is an approximately 15′ high tree that will be placed in a pre dug socket located on the Common Land next to the property known as Pound Cottage. Assistance may be required to get the tree in place and lifted by several volunteers.

**Responsible Person:** A responsible person involved in the installation and removal will take responsibility for risks and safety from installation to removal, including periodic monitoring of the tree and weather conditions.

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