| | , , , | Lights (14 trees) + 20m | (14 trees) + 20m lighting on | Mila Design + Drop Lights (14 trees) + 20m lighting on Christmas Tree* |
|------------------------------|---------|-------------------------|------------------------------|--|
| Hire - yr 1 | £19,787 | £19,844 | £22,726 | £21,827 |
| Hire - yr 2 | £17,745 | £17,877 | £20,484 | £19,585 |
| Hire - yr 3 | £17,590 | £17,732 | £20,172 | £19,273 |
| Total Hire Cost over 3 years | £55,122 | £55,453 | £63,382 | £60,685 |
| Buy - yr 1 | £27,792 | £28,039 | £34,231 | £31,670 |
| Buy - yr 2 | £13,508 | £13,593 | £14,355 | £14,355 |
| Buy - yr 3 | £13,508 | £13,593 | £14,355 | £14,355 |
| Total Cost over 3 years | £54,808 | £55,225 | £62,941 | £60,380 |

*includes install, dismantle, test and store of exisiting lights

| | 14 trees dressed (stay in) | 3D star for Christmas Tree |
|------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Hire - yr 1 | £7,652 | £179 |
| Hire - yr 2 | £2,712 | £169 |
| Hire - yr 3 | £2,712 | £169 |
| Total Hire Cost over 3 years | £13,076 | £517 |
| | | |
| Buy - yr 1 | £12,669 | £314 |
| Buy - yr 2 | £0 | £0 |
| Buy - yr 3 | £0 | £0 |
| Total Cost over 3 years | £12,669 | £314 |

A bill of quanities has been prepared by Gala Lights for each option, which is available.

This is a summary to compare options, prepared by the Clerk.

Comparing the hire cost with purchase cost, and taking into account the budget available, the Council could purchase the lights, and a 3D star for the Christmas tree. If purchasing, rather than hiring, the Council will bear the cost of any annual repairs, so this would need to be factored into year 2, 3 and potentially year 4 and 5 budgets.

Although costs have been sought for garland lights on the avenue trees, it is worth seeing the effect with drop-lights only this year, and assessing again after the festive season.