

## LYDD TOWN COUNCIL PRESS RELEASE

### LYDD IN LIGHTS 2018

The final judging of the Lydd in Lights competition to find the best display of Christmas festive lights decorating the homes in the Parish of Lydd took place on the evening of 10<sup>TH</sup> December 2018. Councillors Clive Goddard, The Mayoress, Mrs Jean Jones, Ms Vicki Dawson and the Town Clerk, drove around the Parish for just over 2 hours to view the Christmas lights on the residents properties. This is the sixth year that the competition in the present format has been held and the judging has become more difficult year on year as more and more people are taking part in the competition.

There were some fantastic displays as so many people had put in a great effort to make their homes look festive for the Christmas season and the standard was so high this year it was even more difficult to choose the winners.

Councillor Clive Goddard said:

*“The competition is getting bigger and better each year and the residents are really getting involved and enjoying Lydd in Lights which makes it all worthwhile. I hope that we can continue to grow the competition as it brings pleasure to the community and I know that there are many residents, particularly those with children, who enjoy visiting the houses to see the festive displays lit up even if they have not been able to take part themselves. We had some new properties taking part this year and it is good to see some of our younger families taking part.”*

A special presentation evening was held on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2018 at the Guild Hall in Lydd to which the winners were invited to receive their certificates and vouchers to spend locally.

The prizes this year went to 18 Megan Close who win a £10 voucher for Lyons Outfitters, 10 Taylor Road and 49 Lade Fort Crescent who both win a £10 voucher for M & M Richardson’s, and 68 Lade Fort Crescent who received a £10 voucher for Lydd Butchers. These properties also received Highly Commended Certificates.

The third prize winners for the Coast this year were 70 Coast Drive who enter every year and always feature highly in the winning categories – they received a £25 voucher for The Pilot. Third prize in the Town winning a £25 voucher for The George was 65 Sycamore Close.

Second prizes went to 43 Baldwin Road and 58 Sycamore Close who received £30 vouchers for M & M Richardson’s and The George respectively.

The first prize winner at the Coast was 60 Lade Fort Crescent who was presented with a £40 voucher for The Pilot and first prize in the Town went to Star Cottage, 18 Station Road who received a £40 voucher for Lydd Butchers.

The Mayor of Lydd, Cllr Bob Jones presented the overall winner a £50 voucher for Lydd Butchers – this was to 102 High Street Lydd who impressed the judges with a stunning display of Christmas lights.