

- In 2016 the Council agreed to put lights at Mickley Square, on x4 trees at Riding Dene, these lights were bought with money from the 2016/17 budget.
- When the Christmas Lights contractor came to install the lights they realised that they were too near overhead cables and they were unable to carry out the plan that year.
- In early 2017 Christmas Plus revisited the site and it was agreed that rather than lighting x4 trees than 1 single tree would be wrapped, as this has more effect and the tree in question was away from the overhead cables.
- In October 2016 Christmas Plus were given the go ahead to carry out the work and advised that power could be taken from the nearby lighting column. Christmas Plus wrapped the tree in late June.
- Following a number a contacts made with NCC Street Lighting it was eventually learned that the lighting column was not suitable to simply add a power box to and the work required would be in excess of £2,500. Previously there had not been a site meeting.
- As the tree was wrapped and ready to go a nearby resident was approached by the AO to ask if they would be happy to have a power supply sourced from their own that could light the tree. They agreed in principle, providing a meter could be installed to measure usage.
- Cllr Chris Cuthbert sourced an electrician who was able to quote (£1,200) and who was also available to carry out the work quickly.
- Chair, Cllr Gerry Price and Cllr Jennifer McGee agreed the work as an emergency on production of the quotation and letter from the resident.
- The lights are now in place.

