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| **Agenda Item: 12** | **Council Oakham Town Council****Date of Meeting: 6th August 2025** |

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| **OAKHAM TOWN COUNCIL** |

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| **Report Authors: Anna Douthwaite** | **Title: Councillor** |
| **Subject** **The Oakham Christmas Tree 2025** |
| **Strategic Aims:** 1. **Ensure that Oakham remains a viable and pleasant environment in which to live, work and play.**
2. **Promote the town as an attractive place to visit and stay**

**The 2024 Christmas tree received criticism for being underwhelming. Blachere Illuminations Ltd, who supplied the tree, can supply a more Christmassy Christmas tree but at a higher cost. Last year’s tree cost £5,242, the proposed one closer to £10,000. As we are unable to have any more lights on the High Street, it would be better to have a tree with the WOW factor. Pictures are attached for comparison.****I propose that:****We change the underwhelming tree for the one on the attached picture.** |