



# Lowestoft Town Council – Position Statement

## Fireworks

### 1.0 Aim

- 1.1 This statement is designed to outline the Council's position on firework displays on its land and its approach to providing funding for firework displays on third party owned land/venues.

### 2.0 Definition

- 2.1 Lowestoft Town Council defines firework displays as displays of pyrotechnics at a public open space, such as one of the town's parks or on the seafront.

### 3.0 Commitments of the Council

- 3.1 The Town Council has declared a Climate and Ecological Emergency and as such will make best endeavours to protect both the environment and wildlife. It is noted that the use of fireworks causes harm to wildlife and damage to the environment.
- 3.2 To encourage any use of fireworks is part of an organised display and that individuals do not indiscriminately light fireworks.
- 3.3 To be mindful that the noise from fireworks may be distressing to vulnerable members of society, pets and wildlife.
- 3.4 The Town Council will not permit public firework displays on its land.
- 3.5 Any application for funding firework displays on land owned by a third party will be considered on its own merits and in line with the above commitments and the following:
- Applications to include details of measures to mitigate climate and ecological harm
  - Applications to provide appropriate risk assessments and risk management
  - Preference will be given to public displays which use low noise fireworks and more sustainable methods of creating a visual display

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