# KIRBY MUXLOE CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL. SATURDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> AND SUNDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2024. AT KIRBY MUXLOE FREE CHURCH.

We would like to invite local schools, voluntary groups, charities, businesses and individuals to enter a decorated tree or Christmas scene for our first Kirby Muxloe Christmas Tree Festival. We hope that you will want to join us and celebrate this enjoyable Christmas Event.

Not only is it a fantastic Community project, it also gives local organisations and businesses the opportunity to promote themselves to a wide variety of local people.

Would you like to provide and decorate a tree or a Christmas scene to be part of this festival?

Each entry should follow a theme of 'ANYTHING CHRISTMASSY'. The bigger the wow factor the better!

#### **Festival Timetable:**

#### Friday 13th December:

The Free Church will be open from 5pm until 8pm for setting up.

#### Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> December:

Doors will open at 10.00am.

There will be refreshments, quizzes and crafts.

From 2.30pm until 4.30pm the Free Church Craft Drop-In will be happening.

Doors will close at 4.30pm.

### Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December:

Doors will open at 12.00pm, after the Morning Worship Service.

There will be refreshments, quizzes and crafts.

The Festival will finish with a Carol Service at 6.00pm led by a Brass ensemble.

Trees can be collected after the Carol Service (Approximately 7.00pm) on the Sunday or by arrangement with the Free Church.

From the KM Christmas Tree Festival Team, supported by the Churches in Kirby Muxloe.

#### **Guidelines:**

- There is no charge for this nor will we be charging people to come in over the weekend. There will be an opportunity to donate to the Free Churches Christmas Charities, one local/National and one International charity. If you feel able to donate to this that would be great. More information about these charities will be available nearer the time.
- Trees and scenes can be set up on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December between 5pm and 8pm.
- Christmas Trees and scenes to be supplied and decorated by the exhibitor.
- Trees may be fresh or artificial. Trees and scenes should be no more than 7 feet high (preferably between 4 and 6 feet high).
- A place will be allocated for each Tree/scene by the Organisers.
- Lights are to be battery-operated only and must be provided by the Exhibitor and it will be the responsibility of the Exhibitor to change the batteries if wished. We ask that flashing or musical lights are not used and no naked lights (candles, etc.) to be used.
- You may place promotional material relevant to your group/business around your tree/scene.
- We ask that all trees/scenes are safely erected, free standing with no hazardous elements.
- All trees/scenes to be collected by the Exhibitor by Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December.
- The Organisers reserve the right to remove anything which they consider to be unsafe or inappropriate. The final decision on this will rest with the Minister of the Free Church.
- If in the event of unforeseen circumstances the Organisers reserve the right to cancel the event.

If you are interested then please complete the attached reservation form.

Please do consider joining us for our Carol Concert on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December at 6.00pm.

## **BOOKING FORM**

I / We would like to enter a Tree / Scene
(Please circle/delete as appropriate).
Name of Individual / Organisation / Group:
Address:
Phone:
Mobile:
Email:
Name of Contact:
Please return your booking form to: Kirby Muxloe Free Church, Main Street, Kirby Muxloe. LE9 2AN. (there is a post box next to the large doors at the front of the

Any questions please contact Revd. Conrad Weller on 07392 576 623 or by email at <a href="mailto:kmchristmastree@gmail.com">kmchristmastree@gmail.com</a>

church building on Main Street).