

Chester city centre Christmas Programme

Draft Proposals 2019

Date	Activity
Tuesday 12 th Nov	Tree installation
Thurs 14 th Nov	Street Lights/Curtain lights switched on; cheSTAR switched on Late Night Shopping Start OPTION 1
Saturday 16 th Nov	Christmas Markets go live
Monday 18th or Tuesday 19th or Wednesday 20th or Thursday 21st Nov	Christmas Parade – ‘Spot Santa at the 12 Days of Christmas Parade’ SEE DATE OPTIONS LEFT
Thursday 21st Nov	Late Night Shopping Start OPTION 2
Thursday 28 th Nov	Lantern Parade Late Night Shopping Start OPTION 3
Sunday 1 st Dec	Santa Dash
Thursday 5 th Dec	Winter Watch 1 Late Night Shopping Start OPTION 4
Thursday 12 th Dec	Winter Watch and Saturnalia
Thursday 19 th Dec	No events; last late-night shopping
Sunday 22 nd Dec	Last Day Christmas Market
Monday 23 Dec	Christmas Markets Derig

Key Dates for Consideration:

- 5-8th Nov – University Graduation at Chester Cathedral (road closures; times?)
- Sunday 10th Nov – Remembrance Sunday
- Monday 11th Nov – Act of Remembrance (Market build and tree install could begin in the afternoon)
- Tues 12th Nov – cheSTAR build can begin (can be ready for Thurs 14th or Fri 15th)
- 12th – 16th Nov – Christmas Tree Install and Market Build
- Fri 29th Nov – Black Friday (SALES)

Neighbouring Switch On Dates (assumed based on 2018 dates):

- Saturday 2nd Nov – Trafford Centre Lights Switch On (live music and decorations)
- Weds 6th Nov – Cheshire Oaks (walk through giant tree, live music, fireworks)
- Sat 23rd Nov – Hoole (family event with Father Christmas appearance)
- Thurs 14th Nov – Liverpool Lights Switched on without an accompanying event
- Friday 15th Nov - Liverpool ONE Big Street Party Event (sing a long outside, samples from restaurants, kids singing competitions, new light installations)
- Upton – Sunday 24th Nov (2nd ever)
- Saughall – Weds 4th Dec