



# PRESS RELEASE – 3/11/23

## *CANCELLATION OF EIRIAS PARK BONFIRE & FIREWORKS DISPLAY*

It is with regret that we announce the cancellation of the Eirias Park Bonfire and Fireworks Display, scheduled to take place from 7pm on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2023.

This decision has been taken on safety grounds, due to the forecasted heavy rainfall over the next 24-36 hours and the impact this could have both on staff availability and on already waterlogged ground, causing safety concerns for those attending the event and potential damage to the parkland.

It has not been possible to reschedule the event to a later date, as we do not know how long it will take for the ground to recover from the recent and expected storm events. We know this will be disappointing and can assure you that this decision has not been taken lightly.

We thank our partners at Colwyn Bay Fire Station, Conwy County Borough Council and Colwyn Leisure Centre for all they have done to help us provide a safe and enjoyable event over the past 50+ years. Many of their staff will be on standby over the next 36 hours to respond to any emergencies, due to the adverse weather. We hope everyone stays safe and that we will be back with a bigger and better event in 2024.

Cllr Hannah Fleet, Town Mayor

Cllr Chris Hughes, Chair of the Bay of Colwyn Bonfire Sub-Committee