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Switch-on



October: dry weather and some sunshine – perfect conditions for the Christmas lights to start going up.



The charity collection box is put in place as soon as things start to take shape.



Father Christmases and snowmen are sprouting up in the flowerbeds and growing out of the walls.





That chilly 'It's nearly Christmas' feeling is fast developing.





The big day is nearly here.





‘Oh deer, oh deer! When will we be lit?’







It's all in the detail.





Bob Swinnerton makes a final adjustment to one of his reindeer.







The sleeping Santas ...



