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## **Winter Party in Town**

The Ministry of Culture and the Ministry of Commerce have jointly organised this year's 'Winter Party in Town', which will take place on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> December at the ex-Coach Park on Queensway, beginning at 4:30pm and lasting until 11:00pm. This will follow Small Business Saturday and the Christmas late night shopping experience.

The Winter Party in Town will kick off at 16:30 with a local band and also local DJ Lazy Daiz playing tunes of all types of music genres to suit all ages. A magic show will give a preview to next week's Gibraltar International Magic Festival. Local band JETSTREAM will be the main stage support act, with a 90 minute set.

This year's headline act will be the internationally-renowned band ABBA GOLD (European Tour 2016). An amazing 2 hour musical tribute to one of the best bands in the world, the show includes a fantastic set up production with constant videos of ABBA via a gigantic LED Screen. ABBA GOLD are celebrating their 23 year anniversary and have performed over 3,500 shows to nearly 3 million people worldwide.

Away from the main stage, Santa's Grotto will be open from 16:30, traditional children's activities and characters will present, and a Christmas market will include face-painting and food and drinks stalls. An all-weather stage will be set up for the occasion. The event once again has been carefully designed to make it a family day event for all to enjoy.

As part of the celebrations the Christmas fair attractions at John Mackintosh Square will be free of charge all day.

Both the Ministry of Culture and Ministry of Commerce thank the private sponsors for supporting this event.

The Minister for Culture, the Hon Steven Linares, said: 'I would like to sincerely thank everyone who has helped financially in making our Winter Party in Town possible. Once again Government and local businesses unite in providing quality entertainment of for the benefit of the community.'