Byres Road Public Realm Project Phase 2 noted – Request to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

7 With reference to the minutes of 30th August 2022 noting the Byres Road Public Realm Project, there was heard a presentation by Chris Burrows, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS) regarding phase 2 of the Byres Road Public Realm Project, advising

(1) of the Byres Road Placemaking report that outlined the creation of new civic spaces, the enhancement of the pedestrian experience, the street aesthetic and climate resilience and reduction of vehicles and improved accessibility of the streets;

(2) of the positive feedback received following completion of phase 1, in particular around improvements to footpaths; and

(3) that NRS would award contracts in January 2025, with phase 2 to start Spring 2025 and scheduled for completion by December 2025.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted and thanked Chris Burrows for the report;

(b) requested information regarding

(i) public transport and any progress on proposals; and

(ii) information on Byres Road project to be circulated to the Partnership; and

(c) raised concerns at the footfall by University of Glasgow students, who numbered around 43,000 and highlighted that the university could contribute more to the improvements around Kelvingrove Art Gallery and Museum etc.