Glasgow Festive Safety Initiative 2023 – Presentation noted.

5 The Forum and Board heard a presentation by Lise Fisher, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability, Glasgow City Council, providing information on the delivery of the Glasgow Festive Safety Initiative 2023 in support of the night time economy, advising

(1) that the initiative would be held every Friday and Saturday between 1st and 23rd December 2023 and would be delivered through a partnership approach involving Glasgow Alcohol and Drug Partnership, Police Scotland, British Transport Police, Glasgow Taxis Ltd and various voluntary sector organisations;

(2) of matters considered in planning for this year's initiative, including the lessons learned from previous years;

(3) that the initiative would be delivered through the enhancement of the 'nitezone' provision in the city at the following 5 locations:-

(a) Sauchiehall Street;

(b) Gordon Street;

(c) West George Street;

(d) Byres Road; and

(e) Shawlands;

(4) that the following enhanced public safety initiatives would also be delivered:-

(a) Patrolling of 'nitezones' by Community Enforcement Officers;

(b) Police Scotland/British Transport Police Festive Plans;

(c) Glasgow Street Pastors and Glasgow Street Aid;

(d) Dedicated CCTV at the Glasgow Operations Centre; and

(e) Digital radio link to pubs, late night venues, street pastors, taxi marshalls, Glasgow Operations Centre and other voluntary services; and

(5) of various forms of communication to be used in relation to the delivery of the initiative, including social media/press, use of emails to Best Bar None premises and the delivery of training seminars.

After consideration, the Forum and Board noted

(i) the presentation; and

(ii) that the Clerk to the Forum would arrange for the presentation slides to be emailed to all members after the meeting.