Cities4Forests Initiative – Update noted etc.

7 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding the Cities4Forests Initiative, advising

(1) that leading up to COP26, Glasgow had signed the Cities4Forests Call to Action on Forests and Climate and became a member of the Cities4Forests network and joined the Partner Forest Program;

(2) that Cities4Forests was a global alliance of cities that had been co-founded in 2018 by Pilot Projects Design Collective and The World Resources Institute to help cities across the globe become advocates for the world's forest;

(3) of the Wood Material Flow Analysis Project which had 3 key aspects namely a Material Flow Analysis for wood in the city, a review of existing Council procurement policies and tender processes and alignment with Sustainable Wood for Cities pathways and production of visual material to support any project launch activities;

(4) of the wider benefits of the project and alignment with key policies including the Circular Economy Route map, as detailed in the report; and

(5) of the next steps in the Cities4Forests Initiative, Wood Material Flow Analysis Project, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the committee

(a) noted the report; and

(b) agreed to support the Cities4Forests Wood Material Flow Analysis project.