Changes to Fireworks Legislation – Report noted.

5 There was heard a report by Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability, regarding changes to Firework Control Zones (FCZ), advising

(1) of the changes to the time period that fireworks could be set off, which would be from 6.00pm to 11.00pm, except on 5th November when the times would be from 6.00pm until midnight;

(2) of the restrictions when purchasing fireworks, which would be from 7.00am until 6.00pm with a weight restriction of 5kg;

(3) that following an 8-week consultation, a meeting had been held by the Council, Police Scotland and the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service to agree and approve a FCZ in the ward, based on complaints and anti-social behaviour during previous years; and

(4) it had been agreed that during 1st to 10th November 2024, the general public could not set off any fireworks, however this would not affect organised firework displays and that further information could be found at Glasgow's First Firework Control Zone Announced - Glasgow City Council.

After consideration, the Partnership noted

(a) the report and thanked Gary Walker for the update:

(b) that an online map would be circulated to the Partnership, showing the boundary for the ward's FCZ;

(c) that consideration would be given to online surveys to allow elderly residents, those with no internet and residents with limited use of English to access the consultations;

(d) that residents, schools, businesses etc in the ward would be lettered and signs located throughout the ward to advise of the FCZ;

(e) the operation that Police Scotland would carry out during this period, including engagement with schools, shop keepers etc prior to Bonfire Night;

(f) that the 10-day FCZ period would be reviewed to monitor its success; and

(g) that Bailie MacLeod was disappointed that the consultation had not included a meeting with the ward's Elected Members or been taken to the Council's City Administration Committee prior to the decision being approved.