Festive Lighting 2024/25 update noted – Request to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

5 With reference to the minutes of 1st May 2024, there was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS), regarding Festive Lighting within the Ward, advising of the central funding of £3,600 available to meet the costs of erecting and maintaining festive lighting and the proposed costs and locations advising

(1) of the 2023/24 festive displays and switch-on events and asking the Partnership to confirm whether these should be included in the 2024/25 programme;

(2) that the Partnership should notify NRS of any proposed new locations for assessment by NRS to determine the feasibility;

(3) that members should approve the necessary funding for any additional costs over and above the central funding, which could be approved by delegated authority to the Director of Communication and Corporate Governance in consultation with the Chair during October 2024, following receipt of the updated pricing table; and

(4) that approved funding in excess of the central funding would be deducted from the Drumchapel/Anniesland Area Partnership 2024/25 Area Budget allocation.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted the report;

(b) agreed that festive lighting for the ward would be approved by holding an additional meeting, which would be held via Microsoft Teams at the end of October 2024, after final updated prices had been confirmed during October 2024;

(c) highlighted that the location for a Christmas tree on Kirkhope roundabout was off-road and not on road as indicated in the report and that Ross MacPhail, NRS would confirm the exact location at the additional meeting in October; and

(d) requested

(i) costings for a natural tree and lights at Knightswood Cross, as indicated by High Knightswood and Anniesland Community Council; and

(ii) costings for a natural tree at the corner of Kirkhope Drive, as indicated by Blairdardie and Old Drumchapel Community Council.